

AGENDA

**PIKES PEAK HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
Faith Relations Committee Meeting
May 24, 2018**

12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

**Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity
2802 N Prospect St
Colorado Springs, CO**

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| 12:00 | 1. Welcome, Roll Call and Chair's Remarks / Prayer | |
| 12:05 | 2. Review / Approval of Agenda | action |
| 12:08 | 3. Review / Approval of Minutes (4/26/18)
(see attached) | action |
| 12:10 | 4. Faith Relations Committee Member Position Description | discussion |
| 12:20 | 5. Faith Relations Committee Member Recruitment <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Al Castanedo @ St Peters Catholic in Monument• Kamel Elwazeir @ Islamic Society of Colorado Springs• Sam Edwards @ Springs Rescue Mission• Other | discussion |
| 12:30 | 6. Interfaith Build
(see attached) | discussion |
| 12:45 | 7. Thrivent Build Update | information |
| 12:50 | 8. HFH-I Faith Relations Pilot Webinar ("Structure") <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Establishing Faith Councils, Committees and Advisory Boards | information |
| 12:55 | 9. Other Items, Adjournment, Closing Prayer <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Next Committee Meeting -- June 21, 2018 (3rd Thursday) | |

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Faith Relations Committee

4/26/18

Present: Barb Treacy
Jan Plimpton
Corey Almond
Jeff Mawhirter
Iain Probert
Kris Medina

Linda Stahnke taking notes

Excused: Chuck Smith

Opening Prayer: Barb

HFHI has recently made it a priority to get more churches involved through the Faith Relations Committee. Will develop a new affiliate guide.

Intros around the table

Jan: handout – Memorandum
Affiliate guide to be revised
Partnership guide to come

HFHI will be doing 4 more webinars (one previously – Barb and Jan did it.) 1 hour in length

Tied to "My Habitat" site. Corey needs to be added. Is Jeff's expired? Available to this committee's members.

Will help organize, plan, develop structure for this committee

Barb: Other document

Jan: Also working on a capacity building grant – faith relations manager. \$105k over 3 years (100% first year for salary, 70% for salary second year, 30% for third year.)

Other affiliates that have great faith relations work in Colo. Ft. Collins and Greeley are recommend. Person in Ft. Collins has tripled income from churches.

Need to decide how this would fit into our organization.

Ft. Collins person works 32 hours

1/3 of that time is spent coordinating Global Village trips

Research (handout) – history of fund development from our churches
Data since 2004; Apostles Build since 2007

JM – Woodmen Valley & First Pres – each sponsored a house in years prior
We had a board member who attended there.
Got this data from Quick Books

First Pres has consistently contributed since 2004
Woodmen Valley as well – stopped suddenly

Ken Smitherman – WV member – on other committee

Jan: recognition of donor orgs very important – going and saying thank you

Barb: Isaac – sent PPT, pics/ don't know if it got used

Jan: Long-term strategy – get HFHI grant

Short-term strategy – say thank you

26 top donor churches – need to go, say thank you

Discussion – how can we better serve them, meet their needs?

Corey: Fall meeting coming up w/Bishop

Have shout out?

Recognition piece?

Jan: 4-5 hours each visit to church

Barb: cold calling – new churches

Jan: maybe a couple of minutes during service, maybe in fellowship time afterward

Barb: table in narthex?

Might involve a trip or 2 or 3

JM: Men's group – best place at his church to say thank you, recognize past involvement

Barb: need something after Apostles Build

Barb: Plaque on wall – don't want to miss a year

Jan: Banner – that HO signs

Jan: Wanted to get this out in front of you

8 things, 9th blank for additions

Will take staff coordination (Jan willing to help)

Will be working on what we need to have in place to get the grant

Corey: Cycle?

Jan: Apply in January, she thinks. Would take a couple of months to hear back

Doug Morrell – contact at HFHI

Barb would like to go meet Erica in Ft. Collins. (And person in Greeley?)

Every 3rd week in Sept – Building in Faith event (Doug)

Could conflict with Chuck's Youth Day

Could we tie these together?

October – world Habitat day

Other – world Habitat day of prayer

Barb: Change in volunteer form recently – adjusted column to include church affiliation

Brochure – for churches (she has about 30 at home)

Application window – letter / email that was sent to church database – send info

Not sure there was any response, but does keep us in front of them.

Kris: can't say "Zero interest" – federal regs.
Brochures, letter needs to be revamped.

Corey would be happy to put it out.

Interfaith Build – Ground blessing in March 2019
Change Apostles Build title
Kris: "Faith Build" would work

JM: How did they say to handle Christians – interfaith
Give to all

Kris: HFHI – stress Abrahamic connection

Jan: researched on My Habitat – there is a 32-page guide – for interfaith relations
One-pager on Christian rationale for working together
Support for this concept

Interfaith Addendum

Barb: Old letter of partnership (sponsorship)
Current MOU for Faith Build?

Jan: found a 2016 version
3 changes needed
Start out with mission
Paragraph #8 – Habitat mission & vision
#9 – post build-eval
Good: #6 – add tithe to their donation – to go to Global

Barb: Wants opportunity for churches that have people, but no money, OR money but no people
Feels it is too rigid

Kris agrees

Iain – engagement comes in all different shapes and sizes

Corey – still need the money – we are providing a service

JM, BT: Some churches that raised more – helped churches who couldn't raise it all

Kris – some congregations come up with the money over 2 years
15 congregations to get \$75k

Barb: would like to get a letter out – is being asked for info on next Apostles Build -- wants to get letter out (3 churches)

Iain – combine with thank you,
Kris – intro Iain, Jan, update

Next meeting –

Tues/Thurs

Need to wordsmith #4 – Jan & Iain will work on it (sponsorship commitment)

Hours?

Jan – how do we reach out to groups that we haven't worked with

Kris – we have connections with Jewish (want to work Sunday)

Barb – Buddhists?

Unitarians

Iain -

Barb – NDP

City Serve – Jeff is part of that (Evangelical)

1st weekend in Oct.

COS I love you – future goal

400 projects, thousands of vols

To do prior to next meeting –

Muscrats – ESM pastors

4th Thursday at lunch

Iain – need to grow this committee – more help needed (non-Board members) – also that these people are future Board material

Need a deputy for Barb

Need future presentation on Global Village, process on Tithing – maybe in a 2-3 months

Closing prayer – JM

Story from Jane Talbot – recipient of last Apostles Build home.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Faith Relations Committee
FROM: Jan Plimpton
DATE: May 17, 2018
SUBJECT: Interfaith Build

From my review of the HFH-I publication "Interfaith: An Advocacy Toolkit" and HFH-I webinars as well as discussions with other affiliates, I have developed a potential approach to the PPHFH Interfaith Build scheduled to break ground in March 2019. The goal of this memo is to engage the Faith Relations Committee in determining the adequacy of this approach, an assessment of the timeline and a review of task assignments.

Approach

I propose a two pronged approach comprised of staff / committee / Board member outreach to a full range of faith communities combined with identification of leadership from those communities to serve on a steering committee or as congregation "champions".

Connecting with Existing Interfaith Groups

From my research, I have identified the following existing interfaith activities: City Serve, COS I Love You, and Ecumenical Social Ministries (ESM). Are there others you know of? I am not aware of whether any PPHFH staff, Board members or Committee members currently participate in any of these groups. [If not, it would seem appropriate for us to make connections and participate.] It is possible that we may want to have our Interfaith Build work in partnership with one of these existing interfaith groups.

Timeline

June	finalize plan and timeline
June – August	connect with each of the 26 existing Apostles Build churches with a combined appreciation for past support / request for Interfaith connect with Muslim, Jewish, Unitarian, Buddhist, LDS, Hindu, Mennonite, etc. faiths connect with existing interfaith groups identify interested congregations "it is always about relationships"
September	kickoff exploratory meeting (breakfast) identification of Steering Committee members
October	Steering Committee meeting (developing trust and understanding) outreach to congregation champions
November	Steering Committee meeting (developing goals and principles) outreach to congregation champions
January	Steering Committee meeting (housing as a core issue / call to service) outreach to congregation champions
February	Steering Committee meeting (faith in action) outreach to congregation champions
March	groundbreaking
March – September	construction / build days
October	dedication (World Day of Prayer)