**Human Concerns Commission**

**Minutes**

**Tuesday, Aug 1 at 5:00 pm**

Present: Joyce G, Elaine G, Mary K, Doris G, Melissa H, Mary D, Gabby M, Valerie C and Erin C

Excused: Amy W, Brianna N, Erv L, Carol P, Barb B

* Welcome to Valerie and Best Wishes to Gabby
	+ - Valerie will be working on HC projects. Gabby will be working part time only doing funerals until going on maternity leave. Mary D will cover during her leave.
* Loaves and Fishes
	+ Wed, Aug 16 – spaghetti bake in freezer: Mary K, Carol & Elaine to each make additional pan, Doris & Joyce will make cookies, Erin will purchase salad and dressing packets.
* HFOC Update
	+ One couple there now, mom & 7 kids moving in next week.
* Brown Bag Lunch
	+ 400 lunches every Tuesday @ HF and Thurs @ SA
	+ Need water & juice boxes for one week
* Back to School Drive
	+ - Drop off donations Aug 2nd. Over 1700 children registered.
* Warming Shelter Update
	+ HF is purchasing building to house the shelter. SA is completely out of it now.
	+ Need volunteers/organizations to build bunk beds.
	+ HF & SVdP will each pay for one FT staff member. Will need at least 4 PT staff, along with volunteers.
	+ Hours possibly 5pm -8am
	+ Plan to offer programming – Salvation Army & Forward Services
	+ City to pay for hotels over Thanksgiving & Christmas
	+ Form Board/Steering Committee with sub-committees to organize volunteers, food, donations.
* Desserts for Blessed Bites
	+ - Need 5 dozen cookies each Tues. Filled through December.
		- Joyce will check on getting a deal on tubs of cookie dough
		- Suggestion to put number of meals served in the Good News/FB
		- Valerie will send email reminders to those offering to supply food
* Driving Individuals to Mass
	+ - Current need for 5-6 volunteers to drive others to Mass.
		- Most want to go to 4:00 Mass on Sat.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10pm.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, Sept 5 @ 5:00pm