

Ohio Valley Long Term Recovery Committee (LTRC)

June 6, 2012

Chair Report – Pastor Jim Dinkel

The LTRC received a check from Ally Bead's for the Milford 5K Run Walk. The Run had 95 runners/walkers. Combined with contributions from local small business in Milford, the Run raised \$3,339.61. A thank you letter will be sent to Joellen Miller of Ally Beads.

The LTRC received a donation from John and Edna Howe for \$50.00. A thank you letter will be sent to John and Edna.

Government Report – Pam Broughton

Pam provided clarification on the "Moving Forward Ohio" program. The program is directed to local jurisdictions (Townships, Villages and Cities) not individuals.

Clermont County is requesting reimbursement for the cell phone expenses incurred by the Donation Center. The cost to date is \$222.45. A motion was made by Beth for the LTRC to pay for the reimbursement to Clermont County Telecommunication Division. David Legg seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the LTRC.

The SBA Application period has ended. Currently SBA has awarded 9 loans for a total of \$518,100.00. The State Individual Assistance Program received 36 applications. Of that 31 requests were approved and \$185,220.00 has been awarded. Brown County had 3 applications approved for a total of \$23,797.00. Clermont County had 33 applications, 28 were approved for a total of \$161,423.00. Five applications were ineligible.

Pam introduced the Girl Scouts who are working on their First Aid Badge which has an emergency preparedness component.

Financial Report

Received the following donation:

- Ally Beads \$3,339.61
- John and Edna Howe \$ 50.00

Check written:

- Payment for Cell Phone Expense (Clermont County)\$ 222.45

Current balance in the account is: \$27,374.91

The LTRC will be paying for the Donation Center utility costs at the Red Barn. Kathy will need the invoice to make a payment.

Donations Management

The Center is getting ready to close down. June 29th is the tentative closure date. The Center is no longer taking donations. This information will be removed from the County Website. Donations are being referred to St. Vincent de Paul, Matthew 25 Ministries, and the Christian Help Center in Batavia.

Roy is working with Bev to identify the remaining survivor needs. Nine cases are projected to have needs. Once the need is identified, a volunteer will put the items on a pallet and shrink wrap it for storage/delivery. The LTRC needs to identify a long term storage solution while families rebuild/find permanent housing. Roy and Bev are going to work on identifying space requirements and a projected time frame for storage. Beth is going to contact Scott Wolfe of Wolfe Storage about possible storage space. He had offered free storage space following the tornado.

Roy projected that the Center has 10 pallets of water and 3 pallets of 2 ½ gallon jugs of water remaining. The group agreed that we would like to keep the water for future volunteer build/clean up days. The group also requested the 7 gallon water coolers. The Village has requested water, coolers, work gloves, cleaning supplies, and diapers. Clermont County DD is going to coordinate delivery of supplies to the Village. Grant Memorial may be an option for storage of water and water coolers until they are needed.

Prior to closure, the Center will have a Christmas in July shopping event for survivors. Case Management will send out a notice to survivors on the specific dates. It will be the survivor's responsibility to transport any items to their permanent residence.

Roy is reaching out to other agencies to give away any remaining items. Remaining items will be offered to the Northern Kentucky and Indiana LTRCs. His intent is to keep the items local. Two Men and a Truck and Clermont County DD will coordinate the delivery of the supplies.

Roy is in need of 10/15 rolls of packing tape, shrink wrap and boxes. Mickey may be able to get the tape. Clermont County DD will be dropping off pallets tomorrow and Lisa may be able to provide some shrink wrap.

The Center will be putting together personal hygiene kits and flood clean up kits. Clermont County EMA has some space for long term storage. Pam is reaching out to flood prone areas to see if they are interested in storing the flood clean up kits. She is also reaching out to Red Cross and other EMA's on the storage of the personal hygiene kits.

Roy needs 5 gallon buckets with lids to complete the flood clean up kits. Jim will reach out to Home Depot about buckets. Roy also needs 1 or 2 gallon bags for the Personal Hygiene Kits. Volunteers will be needed to put together the kits. This may be an option for a Scout Troop. Beth discussed including water shut off valve reminders in the clean up kits. The committee discussed the importance of locating the gas, electric, and water shut off valves prior to an emergency.

Case Management

The Ohio VOAD volunteer from Toledo completed the building material assessments on Friday. He passed the paperwork on to Linda to give to Mary Woodward. The gentleman was thorough, but his assessment was based on doing the improvements as cheaply as possible. This may not be in the best interest of the homeowner.

Tammy (American Red Cross) has a local person that could possibly do the building materials assessment. He is a Red Cross Labor Liaison Volunteer and Carpenter.

People Working Cooperatively (PWC) will complete the assessments for successful Federal Home Loan Bank Disaster Reconstruction Program grants.

The group discussed the need for coordination between the assessors and the contractor/volunteer groups doing the work. Bev shared a lessons learned about the difficulty she experienced when purchasing supplies based on the assessment. There was confusion on what went where and why. The group agreed that it would be beneficial to have local assessors. Tammy is going to contact her local volunteer.

All of the Matthew 25 Ministry gift cards were handed out. The next round will be handed out on June 14th.

Beth shared information on a freak storm that caused localized flash flooding to 9 residential structures in Brown. She is working with USDA and Soil and Water to get a disaster declaration. The 3 mile area lost \$50,000 in woven fencing, soybean and tobacco fields were damaged, and auto/walking bridges were washed away.

The group discussed the number of homes (new construction) the LTRC expects to coordinate. The home in Pike County is being coordinated through Ohio VOAD. There is one new construction home expected in Clermont. There are two additional builds that are going through the CHIP program.

Indiana is projecting 5 new constructions – Holten, IN passed an ordinance denying new mobile homes. It is unknown how many new constructions Kentucky will have.

Other Business

Thalia provided a Facebook update. Linda has uploaded new photos of lost and found items. The site has already reconnected people with their lost property.

Ohio State Highway Patrol has offered to take updated aerial shots of the tornado path during future flights.

Value City is taking applications for furniture. There are parameters and they will not furnish an entire house. Mickey volunteered support from the Long Term Recovery Committee to vet the applications from Ohio. The Value City contact is Heather Schreiber. Heather can be contacted through the Value City Facebook Page at vcf.facebook.fans@vcf.com. Applicants should include their name, address, phone number, what was lost and what is needed. Mickey explained to Heather that some of the residents may not need furniture for up to a year. She shared Beth and Bev's contact information with Heather. Heather explained that this application process is time sensitive, so if residents are interested they need to apply soon.

The group requested follow up from the FHLB clarifying funding for landscaping. Dan Doomis will get clarification from FHLB. One individual was denied FHLB. She lost all of her big shade trees and only has a need for landscaping. The group asked for clarification on what is "reasonable" in terms of landscaping.

The group discussed the upcoming Mitigation Training, June 26th in Campbell County, KY. Jim Dinkel, Chris Kelsen, Mickey Hanselman may attend.

Mickey has put in a request for volunteers to do the following:

- Salvaging and reusing bricks and trees for shelter, benches, and memorials
- Need chainsaw artists
- Stone masons to reclaim stone to be used for sidewalks and flower beds edging
- Senator Portman will be volunteering on June 16th.

A church group will be in the Village of Moscow on June 23. This is being coordinated through Mickey.

River Sweep is on June 16th. The Village is not participating in River Sweep this year.

LTRC Meeting

Next LTRC Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 13th at 10:00 am. The new phone conference number is 513-732-8008 Pin 130113.