

Chippewa Falls Mission Coalition Agenda – Monday, Aug. 5, 2024
PLACE: St. Francesca Resource Center, 117 Allen St., Chippewa Falls, WI

WEBSITE: cfmissioncoalition.org

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Guest Speaker: Karen Herbison, Director of Visiting Angels

Subject: Visiting Angels – Home Care/Living Assistance Services

- Contact Karen with any questions - phone: 715-598-1750 or email: kherbison@visitingangels.com
- Eau Claire Visiting Angels started in 2013.
- Visiting Angels is a national organization serving hundreds of thousands of families in homes across the nation.
- A variety of non-medical chores/services for in-home care are provided such as ... light housekeeping, meal prep, shopping, errands, medication reminders, bathing and dressing assistance, respite care for families, transition care, etc.
- Flat rate charge of \$35/hour for their services with two-hour minimum.
- Nation-wide background checks as well as drug checks on all their employees.
- Fully bonded and insured.
- Medicare/Long Term Health Insurance may apply ... as well as Veteran's Administration may cover costs for qualified veterans.

Hope Village Capital Campaign (Mike Cohoon)

We have completed the solicitation phase of the campaign and have \$2,800,000 in pledges. We will see those pledges come in over the next few years.

We also have just landed a \$2,500,000 grant that is American Rescue Plan funding through HUD. It will be sufficient funding for us to build the first Six-Plex and the first two Duplexes. We will submit a second grant for our second set of buildings on October 1, 2024.

We are planning to break ground on August 26th at 10:00 a.m. at the Hope Village property. (Everyone is invited to attend.)

Hope Village Property Projects: (Mike Cohoon)

This fall we will install a new metal roof on our Community Center ... place solar panels on that new roof ... and a solar ground array near our parking lot.

Hope Village Clothing Fun Drive – Aug. 9 – 19 (Mike Cohoon)

Hope Village's 2nd Annual Household Clothing Fun Drive Starts Friday, August 9th and runs through Monday, August 19th. So start gathering up your gently used clothing, cloth items (towels, curtains, sheets, blankets, etc.) as well as shoes, boots and purses. Please place your items in plastic bags no bigger than 33-gallons.

Bring your bags of items to Hope Village, 1825 Kennedy Rd. Chippewa Falls ... and place them in the semi-trailer in our parking lot. The trailer will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily from August 9th - 19th.

If you have any questions, contact Mike Cohoon ... director@hopevillagechippewafalls.org

Hope Village Golf Fund Raiser: (Mike Cohoon/Jack Rokser)

We had 84 golfers on the Whispering Pines Golf Course in Cadott for our Hope Village Golf Fund Raiser on July 29th. We had a bit of rain, but the day turned out well.

We had over 40 sponsors for the event, some contributing items for our raffle, some contributing substantial amounts of cash. We collected about \$7,300 in sponsorship funds and about \$6,500 in participant fees before the day even started. We collected another \$4,000 the day of the event from our raffles and games.

After paying out the expenses for green fees, food, signs and prizes we cleared about \$14,000 for the event. We have already booked the course for the same week next summer.

“Lighten Your Load” Family Laundry Mission: (Gayle Klitzke)

All volunteer spots through September have been filled thanks to all our faithful volunteers. We have been averaging about 15 guests coming each session with lots of loads.

I believe Amundson’s Appliance Store will be giving a washer and dryer to one our LYL participants as a part of their “Clean Clothes for Kids” program. Definitely a “Yay God!” moment if it all works out. Stay tuned!

CFMC July Community Service Missions: (Tom Drehmel)

No meeting in July, so we opted to do a couple of community service projects by serving meals at both Agnes’ Table and Barnabas Table. Thanks to all that volunteered to serve, as well as all that supported our mission with your prayers.

If you or your church/organization would like to volunteer for future meal services, contact Layla at Agnes’ Table ... laylao@agnestable.org ... or Pat & Randy at Barnabas Table ... apwalker@gmail.com

Upcoming August 11th Mission – Valley Vineyard Backpack/School Supply Giveaway

(Trisha Houle)

Valley Vineyard Church is once again having their Backpack/School Supply Giveaway on Sunday, August 11th from 1 – 3pm. If you would like to donate or volunteer to help, please contact Trish ... trisha@cfvalleyvineyard.org Last year we gave away 1,200 backpacks. We are hoping to match or exceed that goal this year!

VOLUNTEERING: We ask that volunteers come around 12:30 p.m.

DONATIONS: Monetary donations are best. However if you want to donate supplies we can use anything related to school. You can mail or drop-off donations ...

Trish Houle/Backpack Giveaway

c/o Valley Vineyard Church

910 Bridgewater Ave.

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Lilly's Place Update: (Trish Houle)

On top of the significant support from Rutledge and Casper Charities, we are waiting on a number of other grants to come before starting the community campaign. Looking good so far. Stay Tuned!

"Love Chippewa" Touched Twice Mission Event – Sept. 28th: (Whitney Falkenberg)

Volunteers Needed: Please consider volunteering at our "Love Chippewa" annual Free Clinic on Saturday, September 28th at the Chippewa Falls High School. We especially need "Advocate Volunteers" who are assigned guests as they come in and you walk with them to the various stations they want to attend at "Love Chippewa." It's also a great time to get to know and connect with our guests. (Also need volunteers to do oil changes on Sept. 29th – 1-4pm) Here is the link to volunteer ... www.lovechippewa.org/register/ Thank You!

October Mission – Winter Clothing Drive: (Tina Simmons)

St. Francesca Resource Center will again be collecting and distributing Winter clothing. They ask that you bring your winter wear to St. Francesca, 117 Allen St., Chippewa Falls on October 17th between 9:00 a.m. and Noon. They will be distributing the winter wear on Friday, Oct. 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

October Mission – Socktober: (Mark Birrittella)

Notre Dame along with the CFMC is looking at collecting socks in October for various pantries/non-profits in the Chippewa Area. (Similar to our "Lather With Love" soap collection and distribution.) Details are being finalized. More information next month. Stay Tuned!

Soles4Souls Shoe Mission Returning This Fall: (Ken and Shirley Froelich)

You can start collecting shoes in September. If you have gently worn kids to adult shoes we will donate them to the "Love Chippewa" event on September 28th. We will coordinate how to get them to the event as the date gets closer. Stay Tuned! All other shoes can be delivered to Zion United Methodist Church on Saturday, October 12th.... Time to be determined. Be sure to tie or band all pairs of shoes. Be sure to put them in boxes that can easily be lifted and moved.

After the meeting, Tina Simmons gave a tour of the St. Francesca Resource Center for all that were interested.

Next Meeting – September 9, 2024 ... Christ Episcopal Church, 624 Bay St., C. F.

Guest Speaker: Carla Berscheid, Dementia Care Specialist, ADRC

Subject: Dementia Resources

* Closed with Lord's Prayer/Our Father.

Respectfully submitted, Tom Drehmel

CFMC Mission Statement: "Faithful people joining hearts and hands to be God's Love in action for our neighbors near and far."

CFMC Bible Verse: Psalm 60:12 – "With God's help we will do mighty things."