

**January 8, 2020**  
**January Greetings!**

**Thank you** to all who have already hosted this season! It is hard to believe that we are past the half way mark of our 2019-20 season.

**Site Coordinator's Meeting: Tuesday, January 14 at 7:00pm**

Our next Site Coordinator's Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 14th at the Community Recovery Center at Arundel House of Hope. Our guest speaker will be Jeremy Lepone, a peer support specialist with Anne Arundel County. Come see what services are offered to our clients through this program, and also hear about his work with service/therapy dogs. February's meeting (Tuesday, Feb 11th) is our scheduling meeting for the 2020-2021 season. I will send out this year's procedure later this month.

**Reminders**

Please remember to submit a **daily report** via email, text or phone - these are posted for our Segment Coordinators to keep apprised of special needs, issues or concerns that can be passed on to future Sites. A thumbs up report is fine if there is nothing to report! Please include need for replacement cots, (please remind guests not to sit on their cots as this breaks the bars), any special transportation or dietary needs, or disrespectful behavior observed at the site.

Our shower trailer has been winterized for the time being. We can bring it back out if the weather forecast is mild, otherwise we are relying on the YMCA, private schools, the LHS, Trinity, and our Day Center to assist until further notification.

**Vacancies**

Heartfelt appreciation to Christ the King Catholic Church for providing the physical location for St. Philip Neri to host Winter Relief at Church of the Crucifixion the week starting December 16th. St. Philip Neri filled the vacancy we had that week for both sites 1 and 3! This was our only vacancy this season!

**14th Annual Bid for Hope**

Our 14th Annual [Bid for Hope](#) is just around the corner. Please mark your calendars for Sunday, February 9th between 2 and 6pm at La Fontaine Bleue in Glen Burnie. Plan on joining us for an afternoon that promises to be lots of fun with live and silent auctions, raffles, door prizes and more!

**Luggage Challenges**

Luggage continues to be a very big challenge for us. Please remember when you distribute clothing and gifts, that they need to be packed and transported from site to site. The amount of individual gear is getting unmanageable as the season progresses. We ask that you consider gift cards to the Dollar Tree where guests can get just about anything that they need from toiletries to snacks in lieu of bulky clothing. We have a clothes room at the Center where clothing needs can be met.

We hope to see you at the Site Coordinator's meeting on Tuesday. New Year blessings to each of you!

In His service,

~Pam

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