

COMBINED 2019 IAE ANNUAL MEETING AND ANNUAL IAE DELEGATE SUPPER MEETING

Buffet 6-6:30 PM

AGENDA

Welcome *Cathi White, Trinity Delegate to IAE*

Invocation *Rev. Timothy Brown, Pastor Trinity Lutheran Church*

Annual Meeting

Anne Heinz, St. Mark's Episcopal Church, President IAE Board of Directors

Service Successes and Challenges *Sue Murphy, IAE Executive Director*

The "Walk For Warmth"

Birch Burghardt, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, IAE Board of Directors

Community Discernment Project

Joey Rodger, Evanston Friends Meeting, Vice President IAE Board of Directors

IAE Needs YOU!

Mary Beth Roth, Alice Millar Chapel at NU, Chair Delegate Advisory Committee (DAC)

Hunger and Homelessness 101 and Conversation

Sue Loellbach, Connections for the Homeless, Manager of Advocacy for

Joining Forces for Affordable Housing

Melissa Appelt, First United Methodist Church, IAE Board of Directors

Birch Burghardt

Closing *Mary Beth Roth*

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Please return your volunteer interest sheet to the box on the sign-in table before you leave this evening.

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*Items for tonight's supper were generously donated by
the members of the DAC Trinity Lutheran Church Bennison's Bakery Dengeos*



Compostable dinnerware was donated by St. Matthew's Episcopal Church



**Interfaith Action of Evanston Fundraiser
for the
Emergency Overnight Shelter**

WALK FOR WARMTH on JANUARY 20, 2020

Interfaith Action of Evanston has made the commitment to open its emergency overnight shelter every night from November 17, 2019 - March 31, 2020. That is the good news. The challenge is that we need to increase our funding significantly in order to keep the doors open.

To donate: www.interfaithactionofevanston.org

We'll walk together, along two miles on a path that connects each of the six emergency overnight shelters.

We'll walk in the footsteps of our homeless neighbors, while raising funds for the overnight shelter. We know it may be cold/snow/wet -- but **if we are successful, no one will need to sleep outside overnight this winter.**

As Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. said at the Washington National Cathedral days before he died, "... **If ye do it unto the least of these, my brethren, ye do it unto me. That is the question facing" everyone in Evanston.**

Will you help us meet this challenge?

Will you (or someone you know) organize your faith community to support this project:

- Will you walk with us on January 20, 2020?
- Will you recruit at least 5 others to sponsor you (i.e., contribute financially to the cause)?
- Will you recruit 2 others to walk with you?
- Will you ask your youth group to recruit sponsors?
- Will you ask your youth group to join you in the walk?
- Will you ask your faith community leaders to join us in the walk?

YOU ARE PART OF A COMMITTED TEAM:

We will keep in contact with you to help you meet our goal and send you materials to share with potential sponsors/walkers.

WALK FOR WARMTH



Interfaith Action of Evanston is
Raising Funds for those who need
a warm and safe place to sleep at night.

JANUARY 20, 2020
11 AM to 1:30 PM
EVANSTON

InterfaithActionOfEvanston.org

Join together to raise funds
in order to provide warm
and safe places to sleep this
winter in our local Evanston
houses of worship.

(847-475-1150)





COMMUNITY DISCOVERY PROJECT AT A GLANCE

Interfaith Action of Evanston, a membership organization of 42 faith communities in our city, has long worked with compassionate effectiveness for the well-being of people who live among us with homelessness or hunger.

Some services we provide independently, some we offer in collaborative ways with others. We want to be of more service in needed ways.

We've begun our "Community Discovery Project" to enable us all to work more collaboratively and effectively to meet the needs of our guests. With a consulting team from the Executive Service Corps, headed by Paul Brenner we'll discover three things:

- All services now available to hungry and/or homeless people in Evanston. These will be assembled in a directory both online and published on paper, available to all.
- All services needed by hungry and/or homeless people in Evanston, presented in format that recognizes the variety of service needs people have because of their varying circumstances. We will include information gathered through interviews with hungry and homeless people willing to offer their recommendations.
- All services now needed but missing, either because the type of service is not available or because the services available are not equal to the needs for them.

To assist Interfaith Action and others in filling the gaps, consultants will provide information about:

- Known best practices for such services; and
- A guide to private and public funding sources.

Our timeline is short because needs of hungry and/or homeless people are urgent.

We plan to complete the information and analysis stage of our study in early 2020. We plan to convene a community gathering to share our findings and recommendations from the team of consultants. All interested people will be invited, especially service providers, existing and potential funders, and elected officials.

Watch for word of this gathering in the new year. We want to move ahead with informed 20-20 vision in 2020 to skillfully care for those who need us all.

If you have information we could use or questions, please contact Joey Rodger, Chair of the Interfaith Action Community Discovery Project Advisory Committee at jr@interfaithactionofevanston.org or at joeyrodger@hotmail.com.

Name _____

Faith Community _____

Email Address or Phone _____

IAE SERVICE INTEREST SURVEY

Interfaith action can't do its work without volunteers. We need YOU! Please check any below that interests you or your faith community and we'll be in touch with more information.

PLEASE PUT THIS SURVEY IN THE BOX ON THE SIGN-IN TABLE BEFORE YOU LEAVE!

I. IAE COMMITTEES NEED YOU!

Seeking a 2-year commitment.

Communication Committee Member

_____ *Help develop regular and special communications, using IAE's website and social media; and soliciting print media to raise the visibility of IAE's work, needs, and events. Technical skill in social media and communication strategy are desirable or an interest in identifying appealing stories.*

Finance Committee Member

_____ *Help oversee IAE's finances including: planning, reporting, budgeting, internal controls; and recommending financial policies and practices. Help gather statistical data to support evaluation of programs; develop policies for program implementation; and serve as an important resource to the staff when problems and possibilities arise.*

Fundraising Committee Member

_____ *Help to plan fundraising and friend-raising events that advance IAE goals and tackle its issues; strengthen relationships with donors; and seek new sources of revenue. Develop, plan, secure funding, broaden support and implement special events, like the Walk for Warmth.*

Development Committee Member

_____ *Help to develop, evaluate, and oversee the human resources of the Board and staff; conduct orientations; and develop personnel policies. Experience and skills in human resources or organizational development are desirable.*

II. WHAT MIGHT YOUR FAITH COMMUNITY CONSIDER TAKING ON...

...or consider taking on in partnership with another faith community?

Warming and Emergency Overnight Shelter

- Extend the Saturday morning Emergency Overnight Shelter until 9:00 am*
- Open a Winter Warming Center after your Sunday service until 2:30 PM*
- Open a Friday or Saturday winter afternoon Warming Center in your building*
- Host a Family Shelter one week a year in your building for Family Promise*

Food

- Host a soup kitchen lunch every Thursday*
- Supply halal meat to area food pantries*
- Collect and distribute gift cards to Burger King or other restaurants*

Personal Hygiene and Cleaning

- Provide frequent access to storage or storage lockers for personal items*
- Provide showering facilities*
- Host barbershop days*
- Develop a collection and distribution system for personal hygiene products and/or household cleaning products*

Transportation

- Collect and distribute CTA cards*

III. SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS

Producemobile

- Help unload and distribute free fresh produce any second Tuesday of the month at Robert Crown Center, 8:30-11:30 AM.*

Emergency Overnight Shelter

- Help set up any night or clean up any morning from mid-November through the end of March at various Evanston faith communities; or stay overnight to assist staff as necessary. One training session is required in November.*

Advocacy

- Work with IAE and Joining Forces to monitor city government policies regarding hungry and homeless people. Mobilize IAE members to advocate for affordable housing and on behalf of hungry and homeless people. Please print your email address below if you would like to receive the JOINING FORCES DIGEST:*

THANK YOU!! YOU ARE THE ACTION IN INTERFAITH ACTION!