

Youth Outreach Committee

Date: 6/2/11	Present: Betty Radke, Mary Bliesmer, Peter Bierer, , Marsha Qualset, Carly Radke, Craig Hinkle, Pam Sandland, Ashley Blaine, Lance Quick
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Agenda Item	Discussion	Work for Us to Do!
Opening Prayer – Marsha		
Updates on The REACH	<p>Craig and Ashley Blaine, new LSS intern, reported that Jolene Balzotti was hired in Amber’s position. They are hoping that more youth will stop in this summer. Panel cards and posters will be distributed to schools, ECHO, Salvation Army, county case workers, at parades and county fairs. Plans to coordinate a youth calendar with Salvation Army youth. Plans for a summer Youth Day/Open House, with games and painting the outside bench. Adult, Family & Child Services will refer youth to The REACH. Craig will be cutting back his hours at The REACH to work more hours with the veterans’ program. Still waiting to hear about Domestic Hunger Grant. A youth planted flowers in 2 whiskey barrels by the back door. Possibility of garden</p>	<p>Encourage young people to drop-in at The REACH.</p> <p>Ashley will compile a list of places to distribute panel cards and posters, and she will ask for our help to distribute them.</p>

	area behind Becky's Floral.	
Donations to The REACH	Chest Freezer, from 1 st Presbyterian; \$640, from plant sale at Belgrade Avenue Methodist (some of this \$ will be used for cupboards to store Second Harvest food in the kitchen); air hockey table, from Trinity Lutheran, St. Peter.	
Carly Radke Four12 Project	Carly showed the t-shirt logo for the Four12 youth centered group. She will contact retired school counselors to ask for help training peer mentors. Four12 youth could make announcements about upcoming fundraisers at various churches and organizations. Carly plans to start in Waseca, Faribault and Watonwan counties.	Tell young people about Four12. Contact Carly about speaking at your church or organization.
Hotdog stand at Hilltop Hy-Vee, June 24 th and 25 th	Pam, from Grace Lutheran, will raise money for The REACH and Operation Christmas Child on June 24 th and 25 th .	Buy hotdogs from Pam! Place an ad in your church bulletin.
Mankato Clinic Foundation and Hickory Tech Grants	Sue Larsen volunteered to help write grants for The REACH.	
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Christ's Servants Involved (CSI), August 7-12	Lance invited The REACH to propose a project that the CSI youth could do during the week of August 7-12. He invited any other youth to attend CSI.	Contact lquick@hickorytech.net
Sleep Out to Prevent Youth Homelessness, October 1-2, 2011	Peter will be working on a motivational speaker and music for the sleep out.	

Next Youth Outreach Meeting, Thursday, August 11, 2011, 4:15 p.m., at Grace Lutheran Church		
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