

**THE GET TOGETHER-BAY AREA  
PARTNER MINISTRY NEEDS  
NOVEMBER 2016**

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISE**

**Bay Area Habitat for Humanity**

Attorney(s) to discuss the purpose and need for wills with our partner homeowners. Would like to offer two sessions in January, one in the evening and one on a Saturday: approximately 1.5 hours each. Would like to follow up in February by offering low-cost will preparation for those that are interested.

**Family Promise of Clear Creek**

Plumbing. Experienced plumber to replace two sink drain pipes at League City Day Center. They were glued rather than fitted.

Concrete Leveling. Need someone with experience in leveling concrete to work on patio at the Day Center in League City.

**Innovative Alternatives**

Contractor to lay rolls of insulation over the walls in our new expansion area for sound-proofing. IA will purchase unless donated.

Excellent English writer/editor and/or translator for English to Spanish

**Lighthouse Christian Ministries**

Eye doctors interested in setting up a charitable eye clinic at our facility and volunteering their time in the clinic. Hours would be based on doctors availability. It is a new development in our health services.

Dentists to serve at least one time per month in LCM's dental clinic

**The Mercy Tree**

Hotel/Motel Managers: We are looking for someone who has connections with hotel/motel managers or their towel/washcloth suppliers. Our clients are offered showers each week. We need bath towels and washcloths to offer our clients who may not have these items. The towels and washcloths do not have to

Shoe Store or Sporting Goods Store Owners/Managers: We are looking for a connection to a sporting goods store or running shoe store that would be willing to collect used adult sneakers for The Mercy Tree. For example, when someone buys a new pair of sneakers, the store could give them the opportunity to donate their old ones to The Mercy Tree and wear their new shoes home. The Mercy Tree would then send a volunteer to pick up the donated sneakers on a regular basis.

### **Project Joy and Hope**

Electrician to repair outdoor light at Tulip Project

Wrought iron gate company needed for 350 feet of front fencing at Tulip Project

### **MATERIAL NEEDS**

#### **Anchor Point**

500 - 18" traffic cones -- We are looking to purchase (or have given to us) for our Run for Health race (not this year's but future year's). If you have a good lead on these cones for a great price, please let me know.

Operation Christmas Blessing - We generally bless our clients with a goodie bag of items each Christmas just to shower them with blessings. Bags need to be turned into the AP office by 12/12. We are in need of bags for our families with 2 year olds -- A bag typically is \$75 and would contain all of the following items:

2 Year Old Girl (or Boy - you pick):

- 1 package of pull ups
- Hair bows or hat
- Book or two to read to child
- Size 6-7 shoes
- Child toothbrush/toothpaste
- Wash cloth/towel for toddler
- A 2T-4T outfit with socks
- Motor Skill Development Toy

#### **Bay Area Habitat for Humanity**

Wrapping paper, ribbon, tape for Baybrook Mall gift wrapping fundraiser

#### **Family Promise of Clear Creek**

6 computers for Day Center. We will accept new or used computers. but would prefer ones with Windows 10 or capable of having Windows 10 installed. One would need Microsoft Office.

6 ft. by 12 ft. box trailer for transporting beds

### **Galveston Urban Ministries**

We are looking for 300 large Christmas gift bags for our Christmas Toy Store shoppers to be able to take their presents home.

Our youth program needs a couple of 9 cube storage units for their backpacks and supplies.

The following is an example from Bed Bath & Beyond:

<https://www.bedbathandbeyond.com/store/product/real-simple-reg-9-cube-storage-unit-in-natural/3277225?categoryId=12212>

### **Innovative Alternatives**

Donation of insulation for the top of all walls to sound-proof the new expansion section of our suite. Each roll is \$13.48, if people wish to donate 1 or 2 rolls. We need 20 rolls which we can get at a bulk price of \$9.44/roll of Owens Corning R-13 Kraft Faced Insulation Roll 15 in. x 32 ft. at <http://www.homedepot.com/p/Owens-Corning-R-13-Kraft-Faced-Insulation-Roll-15-in-x-32-ft->

Donation of solar window shades: May donate from 1 to 19--enough to fill offices--most important for sunny side of building. Can also be done periodically, as in one or two on a monthly basis for example, as a donation commitment. This is a project that a volunteer could take on in assisting IA in recruiting various businesses to sponsor one window covering each. Bids are in the range of \$200/per window. IA doesn't expect a commitment until an amount per window is finalized from one of our bids.

### **Lighthouse Christian Ministries**

400 Christmas stockings. Don't have to be the same size, color or shape.

Large black trash bags needed for use in LCM's Christmas Toy Shop. They are used to send toys home from the toy shop with parents.

Large neon "Open" sign for the resale shop window (new or used)

### **The Mercy Tree**

Sleeping bags: Our first cold snap could come any day now. Sleeping bags are essential in the fall/winter months. Adult size only, please.

Hoodies: Cooler weather is on the way! Our clients need adult-sized hoodies to get through the fall/winter months. Most common sizes are L and XL; however, all sizes are needed.

**Project Joy and Hope**

Gasoline gift cards for Tulip Project residents to travel to and from Medical Center

Office Supplies: Postage stamps; Printer ink: HP 950 black ink and 951 color ink

**VOLUNTEER NEEDS****Anchor Point**

Men to come alongside of our male clients as part of our All Star Dads program. The commitment is one All Star Dad's get together each quarter and then periodic phone calls and connection with the clients throughout the quarter.

**Family Promise of Clear Creek**

Paint the exterior of the Day Center (1101 S. Egret Bay Blvd., League City.) Paint and supplies will be provided. Front of building is already painted.

**Galveston Urban Ministries**

Christmas Toy Store. Host a New Toy Drive to help us stock the shelves for our annual Christmas Toy Store. Great opportunity for your small group or company. Our toy store gives a chance for our moms and dads to purchase NEW toys for their children at only 20% of the regular price. Toys need to be delivered by Monday, Dec. 12. We also need volunteers to help prepare our Toy Store during the week of 12/12-12/17. Please email: [volunteer@galvestonurbanministries.org](mailto:volunteer@galvestonurbanministries.org)

We have two open dates (12/1 and 12/8) if you would like to prepare a meal for our Getting Ahead Program participants (25-30 people). This is the Meal Train sign-up link: <https://mealtrain.com/zq4zkd>

**Innovative Alternatives**

Volunteer Writer: 1 Year commitment for writing a monthly newsletter & possible assistance with Donor Relations Program

Volunteer for translating English newsletter to Spanish within same issue. Must be regularly available on a monthly basis.

### **Lighthouse Christian Ministries**

Sorting toys at Toys for Tots Distribution Center throughout December. Groups are welcomed, days/nights and times are flexible.

### **The Mercy Tree**

Meal Providers/Servers: The Mercy Tree feeds the homeless in Clear Lake every day. This is done by volunteer groups who provide and serve the meals. Individuals, church groups, groups, offices or families sign up to provide and serve the meal on a particular date. This person or group of people is responsible for providing a simple meal for approximately 20 individuals, including drinks, dessert and paper goods. Meals can be home cooked or store bought/take-out. This is a wonderful serving opportunity for an office or church group! This is a 2-hour commitment plus the time it takes to prepare the meal prior to arrival.

Cleaning the 15-passenger van and trailer is a big job! We are always thankful for groups who are willing to wash the exterior of the van and trailer and clean/vacuum out the inside of the van.

### **Project Joy and Hope**

Project Joy and Hope Church Council is forming. Need one representative from several area churches. Church Council meets quarterly and will be a communications liaison for our agency and their respective churches, providing congregations with opportunities for service. Contact Jan Wheeler 713-851-9792 for full details

Cooking teams to participate in BBQ fundraiser (date has not yet be decided on.) Please ask your team representative to contact Jan Wheeler 713-851-9792

## **EVENTS**

### **Saturday, November 5, 2016 - Anchor Point**

Run for Health 5K. Start time is 7:15am. Registration ends Nov. 2 at 11pm. Join us for this great race in Nassau Bay starting at Gloria Dei. It is a great way to bless the ministry and also get some great exercise! [www.anchorpoint.us](http://www.anchorpoint.us) under events

### **Thursday, November 17, 2016 - Lighthouse Christian Ministries**

Thanksgiving Basket Giveaway. Ingredients for a Thanksgiving meal are needed (green beans, stuffing, corn, cornbread mix, mashed potatoes box or packet, cranberry sauce, gravy mix, turkeys, etc.) Please drop donations off at LCM's facility by November 14th.

**Tuesday, November 29, 2016 - Innovative Alternatives**

Bay Area Giving Tuesday. 11:30a-1:30p at the United Way Service Center of the Bay Area. Fried Fish for lunch cooked fresh on site, Silent Auction, arts & craft fair to get your Christmas shopping started! Order tickets online at: <https://bayareagivingtuesday.eventbrite.com>.

Innovative Alternatives, Inc. is one of 3 agencies sponsoring this Bay Area United Way Campaign to benefit all of the United Way Affiliate Agencies headquartered in the Bay Area: Innovative Alternatives, Inc. (mental health, mediation and training services), Bay Area Turning Point (local domestic violence shelter), BACODA-Bay Area Council on Alcohol & Drug Abuse (substance abuse education and prevention programs).

**Various Dates in November & December - Get Together Partner Ministries**

Holiday Gift Wrapping Fundraiser: Several of our Get Together-Bay Area Partner Ministries will benefit from this fund raiser. A gift wrapping table will be set up outside the Microsoft Store in Baybrook Mall for volunteers to wrap gifts. Skilled (age does not matter), pleasant and able to work in crazy atmosphere. Morning, afternoon or evening shifts available.

November 29, December 2, 16, 20 - Bay Area Habitat for Humanity-Cheryl Dunson, [cdunson@bahfh.org](mailto:cdunson@bahfh.org)

December 18, 21, 23 - The Mercy Tree-Sandra Nichols, [texasme70@gmail.com](mailto:texasme70@gmail.com)

December 19, 22 - Lighthouse Christian Ministries-Erika Steele, [erika@lighthousecm.org](mailto:erika@lighthousecm.org)

**Wednesday, November 30, 2016 - Bay Area Habitat for Humanity**

Kendra Scott Fundraiser. In store 5p-7p, or all day by phone, if you say "20% to Bay Area Habitat for Humanity."

It is the roll out of a new line. We need Facebook posts and for you to take friends shopping with you. If you are willing, please give us your email address to send invitation to post.

**Friday, December 2, 2016 - Project Joy and Hope**

Groundbreaking for Phase II Tulip Project housing at 11 a.m. 3211 Tulip Street, Pasadena, TX 77504.

Please RSVP to [jan@joyandhope.org](mailto:jan@joyandhope.org)

**Tuesday, December 13-Thursday, December 15, 2016 - Lighthouse Christian Ministries**

Christmas Toy Shop. 4-8pm. Volunteers needed for set-up on the 12th. Toys and gifts for teens are needed.

**Thursday, December 15, 2016 - Anchor Point**

Anchor Point Open House. We would love to have you stop by for our Christmas Open House 10 AM-7 PM at the League City Location (103 Davis Road, Suite B, League City, TX 77573). Families are welcomed - come take a tour and taste some Christmas goodies.

**Monday, March 27, 2017 - Innovative Alternatives**

Legacy of Leadership Golf Classic-Bay Oaks Country Club. Volunteers Needed. Planning Committee started last month and we are recruiting volunteers. Typical duty options are planning, courting sponsors, recruiting teams, auction items, door prizes. Luncheon honors someone who is an unsung hero in helping area nonprofit agencies.