



E-News

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Overnights of Hospitality

2018-2019 Season

Sadly, we have experienced a rise in the number of homeless seeking shelter this season which is not unique to Plymouth. We are now averaging 17-20 per night, two-thirds of whom are new to the program. We saw a season high of 25 one night, the most ever in all the years we have been operating the shelter.

Thank you to all who have volunteered to serve a meal or to chaperone. All of the meal slots have been filled. However, there are many chaperone slots still open.

Walking Home

Frank Mand, board member and former reporter for the Old Colony, began his Walking Home journey by driving out to California just after Thanksgiving where he was to begin his walk across America with the hope that he will arrive back in Plymouth by Thanksgiving, 2019. A group of about 40 people met at the Wildlands Trust on Monday, Dec. 31st in the morning to chat with Frank online from Arizona. At that point he had already walked/traveled over 500 miles. He relayed many of his positive and fascinating experiences he's had thus far.

Frank has raised almost \$10,000 for the Taskforce. He is deeply appreciative of all the support provided by family and friends to help him make this journey possible. You can follow him by signing on to <http://www.walkinghome.us/author/frank/>

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Taskforce will be held on Thursday, February 21, 2019 at Christ Church Parish, 149 Court St., Plymouth. Our annual President's Report and budget will be presented at that meeting and board members elected. We have positions on the board available. Please consider joining us to find out more about what we have been doing. Contact Connie at conmel@aol.com for further information.

Fundraiser – “Care-aoke” Night

The Taskforce is sponsoring a “Care-aoke” night to raise funds. It will be held on Friday, March 29, 2019 at the American Legion on Federal Furnace Rd. We have Gary Maestas, Superintendent of Schools, Mike Botieri, Chief of Police, Amy Naples, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce, Matt Muratore, State representative and Dave Galleriani, owner of Cape Auto Body who will “perform”! There will be an auction. Tickets are \$30 each or \$350 to reserve a table of ten. Julie Cloherty is our point person for this event – 781.831.3251 / Julie.cloherty@rocklandtrust.com. This should be a hilarious evening! Watch for further details.

Need New Housing Manager

We are looking for a mature single woman to serve as a live-in house manager to oversee four women residents in a communal setting. There is a basement apartment for the manager at a low, affordable rate. This person must have good communication and people skills. Please contact Connie at 508.367.0516 or conmel@aol.com for further information. Please share this with any whom you think might be interested.

Board News

Need New Volunteers

We are looking for new members, especially someone with fundraising skills to serve on the Taskforce board.

We are looking for someone who would be willing to take on the coordination of the silent and live auctions at our annual golf tournament. This person(s) does not need to be a member of the board.

Amazon Smile

We now can raise money through Amazon's Smile program. Amazon will give us 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. Go to <http://smile.amazon.com> and follow instructions. You will need to choose Plymouth Taskforce for the Homeless (old name). Be sure to make the AmazonSmile your 'go to page' when purchasing goods from Amazon.

Website

Check out our website:

<http://plymouth-taskforce-homeless.org>

Facebook

We are also on Facebook. Go to our website <http://plymouth-taskforce-homeless.org> to like us!

Etc...

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