Operations Board Report  June 2019 – By Kathy Moe

In June:
- Thrift Store June sales $24,265.95.  **$4567.62 increase from this month last year.  $20K YTD over last year.**
- A Simple Gesture – 6880 pounds of food.
- 16 new volunteers started.
- 2 key volunteers asked to leave the organization.
- Total households served 820.
- Total individuals served 2534.
- Total pounds of food served 65,031.
- Summer program for Backpack Program started on June 28th.
- Volunteer Process Improvement Committee met June 20th.
- Hope Against Hunger raised $9750 towards our goal of $45,000.
- Little Red Bus secured for Warm Coats for Kids program.
- Location secured at Stanwood Senior Center for coats.
- Volunteer Luncheon Theme for 2020 - Western

Future Events
- Founders Day – July 13th.
- Volunteer BBQ at Kathy’s house – July 28th.
- A Simple Gesture August 10th.

Facility To Do’s
- Pressure wash and paint buildings including Grabill $11K– scheduled for July and August - Rubumco.
- Generator purchase $20K doesn’t include electrical – we have a grant designated for this $25,000.
- Shipping Container for Thrift Store purchase/rent $3400.
- Fix pot holes in gravel lot – no bid yet.
- Keyless Entry – no bid yet.
- Air Conditioning Grabill $6-$7K – Scheduled July 10th.
- Grocery Style Model Shopping – tiered roll out.
  - Grocery Carts - $2783.70.
  - Utility folding hand trucks - $580.00.
  - Hand Truck Dolly 15” Square - $22/unit

Thrift Store
The Thrift Store total sales for the year are $275,000. Three after hour events were held at the Thrift Store in June. Super Senior Spree on June 11th for the local senior community – 50% discount on all items in the store. June 19th “It’s 5 O’clock Somewhere” for the valued customers. This was a first time event to see if our best customers are hooked. June 26th was Client night where any Food Bank client shopped after hours with a 75% discount. About 30 clients showed up for the event. Sales for 2 hours totaled $500

Volunteers
The volunteer handbooks are being prepared and a formal volunteer orientation program will launch in July 2019. We signed up 16 new volunteers this month. We are following up with potential volunteers in a timely manner and getting them scheduled quickly. We are making sure to engage them in all the duties of the food bank and thrift store so they are excited about volunteering. We did lose 2 key volunteers at the food bank however several other volunteers have stepped up, taken on the duties and created a seamless process for distribution of the food.

Warm Coats for Kids
Met with Julie Vess at Stanwood Senior Center, she informed us that there are many senior volunteers that would like to help with the coats program. We have secured the room and the little red bus for our coat drives in the fall. Meetings were held with the local schools to alert them to the program and when the coat drives will be starting.

HOPE Meals for Kids Backpack Program
We served 250 students each week during the school year totaling 9230 bags given out for the year. As of June 28th we are doing summer packs for those who are signed up. Parents are signing up their children over the next couple weeks then the program will be at full speed for the rest of the summer. The first summer break pack weighed just over 8 pounds. This was for 7 days which included 7 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 3 dinners, 7 snacks, 2 milks, 2 juices, and a cold pack.

HOPE Against Hunger
The fundraising committee for Hope Against Hunger fundraising breakfast has been meeting every other week to work on the event. So far we have secured $9750 in sponsorships and a few businesses have committed however they will be sending in the check at a later date. The chef at Stanwood Senior Center will be the caterer for the event. Evites went out for Save the Date and the response was positive.

Volunteer Advisory Committee
Committee met June 20th. Major concerns were primarily the thrift store and all the donations that are coming in and the lack of room for storage. One of the volunteers will be making a new donations sign for the thrift store with better detail and specifics on what can be donated. Another topic that was brought up was how to handle board members that are volunteers.