

Maine Township Agency Funding Special Meeting November 2, 2021

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Agency Funding Special Meeting of the Maine Township Board, Cook County, Illinois will be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in accordance with Section 80-10(b) of the Illinois Township Code, 60 ILCS 1/80-10(b). Said special meeting has been called by Township Supervisor Karen J. Dimond, for the purpose for the Agencies which are applying for the 2022 Funding Grants, to submit their presentation to the Maine Township Board. The Agency Funding Special Meeting will be held at the Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Road, Park Ridge, IL 60068.

Board Members Present: Supervisor Dimond, Trustees Jones, Horvath, Maher and Malik.

Others in attendance: Dayna Berman, Marie Dachniwsky, Richard Lyon, Austin Kelso, Branka Mackic and Eva Magnowski.

Supervisor Dimond called the special meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance and Deputy Clerk Magnowski called the roll.

Agenda Item: Public Participation
None.

Agenda Item: Presentations by following Agencies:

1. Center for Enriched Living (CEL)
Presentation by Karen Fay. 2022 funding request: \$3,000.
At CEL, individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities are part of a dynamic community where their voices are heard, choices are respected, and their hopes, wishes and dreams are pursued. CEL is open seven days a week for teens, adults and seniors. Members can choose participate in more than 60 different outcome-focused virtual or in-person programs that cover a wide variety of interests and budgets and focus on social, recreational, and employment opportunities
See video at 1:28
2. The Harbour, Inc.
Presentation by Melody Rose & Terri Szewczyk. 2022 funding request: \$8,000.
The Harbour serves homeless suburban youth – a population that is often denied and underserved. The Harbour offers a myriad of programs to meet the needs of youth experiencing homelessness in N & NW suburban Cook County. They are nonprofit, community -based, Licensed Child Welfare Agency with nearly 50 years of experience serving youth. The facility provides short-term shelter and crisis intervention and up to 18 months of transitional housing in both supervised group homes and independent apartments with declining rent subsidies. Youth in their transitional housing programs receive intensive life skills training, health education, budgeting and financial literacy, employment skills training, and educational support.
See video at 9:07
3. Northwest Center Against Sexual Assault (NWCASA)
Presentation by – Rebecca Plascencia. 2022 funding request: \$2,000.
NWCASA’s mission is to facilitate the healing for Survivors of sexual violence and to eradicate sexual violence in our communities. To accomplish this, NWCASA provides specialized counseling for sexual violence Survivors of all ages. They also provide 24/7 crisis intervention and medical/legal advocacy

services at 11 area hospitals and 37 police departments. Sexual Violence Prevention programs are provided in schools, colleges, and to the general public. Professional training is also available to allied professionals. All services are free and are provided in both English and Spanish.

See video at 19:47

4. Turning Point Behavioral Health Care Center

Presentation by Noy Frial-Lopez. 2022 funding request: \$50,000.

Turning Point Behavioral Health Care Center is non-profit outpatient mental health center servicing children and adults since 1969. Their mission is to provide solid support when they need it most. In fiscal year 2021, Turning Point served 1,279 individuals, approximately 90% of whom were low income. Services include individual and group therapy, case management, crisis services, psychosocial rehabilitation, a residential living program and The Living Room, their psychiatric respite program.

See video at 26:40

5. Little City Foundation

Presentation by Sharon Anderson. 2022 funding request: \$3,000.

Since 1959, Little City's mission has been to serve children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities by providing the best options and opportunities to live safely, learn continuously, explore creatively, and work productively throughout their lifetime. The agency provides 24/7 supportive residential setting for children and adults, a therapeutic day school for children with I/DD, including severe and profound autism, home-based supports for clients who live with their families, health services, applied behavior analysis and therapy with Board Certified Behavior Analysts, foster care and adoption services for children with I/DD, employment services for adults with I/DD, and a variety of therapeutic day programs such as senior programs, arts, horticulture, fitness, and recreation.

See video at 33:34

6. Resources for Community Living

Presentation by Fred Stupen. 2022 funding request: \$3,000.

Resources for Community Living assists adults with developmental and/or physical disabilities to live independently in their own homes/apartments. We provide support services, housing options, social group activities, family support group, vocational services, transportation, individualized skill training, and referral/partnership with other resources and programs. RCL offers disabled Maine Township adult's opportunities to achieve greater self-esteem, dignity and participation in all aspects of community life.

See video at 48:26

7. Center of Concern

Presentation by John McNabola & Kristy Garceau. 2022 funding request: \$55,000.

The Center of Concern has responded to the special needs of Maine Township residents since 1978 with timely and innovative services, assistance, and resources to overcome hardships, stabilize at risk residents, and reduce isolation adversely affecting older adults and people who are homeless. Supportive programs and services help residents remain in their homes, connected to their community, yet living as independently as possible for as long as possible with services that are safe and secure.

He mission of the Center of Concern is to provide housing solutions, support services, and counseling for older adults, people with disabilities, and others in need, enabling them to live with dignity and independence.

See video at 1:01:00

8. Care & Cure, Inc.

Presentation by Manoj Jahar. 2022 funding request: \$5,000.

Care and Cure is a non-for-profit organization to serve the underserved immigrant communities residing in general vicinity of Des Plaines, Niles and surrounding neighborhoods. They assist and facilitate an improved quality of life including health care, mental health, nutritional needs, legal immigration assistance if needed and social engagement to alleviate social and emotional isolation.

See video at 1:18:56

9. Northwest Compass Inc.

Presentation by Sonia Ivanov. 2022 funding request \$10,000.

For more than 35 years, Northwest Compass, a nonprofit organization, has provided various programs to the moderate and low-income populations in the Northwest suburbs of Chicago in Cook County. Their mission has been to enhance the community by providing emergency services, education, and empowerment, which fosters personal responsibility for those that are vulnerable or in crisis. NWC provides comprehensive solution-focused case management, brief crisis intervention, counseling and assistance to people experiencing housing instability or homelessness by connecting them to housing options, resources, and various services.

See video at 1:27:23

Several questions were asked during presentations by the Agency Funding committee: Supervisor Dimond, Trustee Jones, Trustee Horvath, Trustee Maher, Trustee Malik, Administrator Berman, Marie Dachniwsky, Richard Lyon and Austin Kelso which were answered by the presenters.

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Trustee Maher Motion to adjourn.
Trustee Horvath Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Dimond Yes
Trustee Jones Yes
Trustee Horvath Yes
Trustee Maher Yes
Trustee Malik Left before the Adjournment

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Maine Township Clerk