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Lay Leadership Support Group Meeting Online

A Lay Leadership Support Group has been formed for Consistory Presidents as well as those serving on Consistory. We will be gathering once a month, on a Saturday morning, on Zoom – so please join us!

We have found it to be a great place to form new friendships, to gain support, and to be educated on a variety of topics concerning our churches. The discussions are centered around sharing valuable information about what our churches are doing or maybe could be doing.

Our next meeting will be online November 19, 10am—12 noon. Registration is free. Register at: https://pseclayleadnov.eventbrite.com

UCC Seeking Generosity Officers

The United Church of Christ, National Setting has an opening for four Generosity Officers to be deployed throughout the U.S. by region. The Generosity Officers will assist the Director of Philanthropy, the Development Strategist, OPTIC team, and volunteers in carrying out the major gift program/planned giving program of the national setting of the United Church of Christ. Each will hold primary responsibility for the solicitation of individual gifts of \$10k or more for the UCC. These positions will be charged to identify, cultivate, solicit, and steward 75-100 prospects and donors, concentrating on one of the identified Regions of the UCC, partnering with other staff and conference offices and local churches as appropriate. This position will require both electronic and direct face-to-face solicitation and stewardship, with an expectation of travel.

Generosity Officer (Middle Atlantic): Penn NE, Penn SE, Penn Central, Penn West, Central Atlantic – Apply at this link: https://www.appone.com/MainInfoReq.asp?R ID=5038752

Let's Reach the Finish Line!

Rebuilding continues following Tropical Storm Isaias in the Eastwick neighborhood of Philadelphia. Volunteers and Contractors needed!

Philadelphia, PA – Since Tropical Storm Isaias brought devastating flooding to the Eastwick neighborhood of Philadelphia in August 2020, the Eastwick Unmet Needs Roundtable identified 50 families who needed help with rebuilding of homes and replacement of heating and cooling systems.

The Eastwick Unmet Needs Roundtable is a partnership of community organizations like Eastwick United CDC, Eastwick Friends and Neighbors Coalition, as well as disaster recovery non-profits like The Salvation Army, UCC Disaster Ministries, Lutheran Disaster Response, The Elevated Studio, The Eastern PA Conference of the United Methodist Church. Government partners include Philadelphia Office of Emergency Management, Philadelphia Office of Sustainability, Philadelphia Housing Development Corporation, and Pennsylvania Emergency Management.

Volunteers have contributed 4,000 hours to date. Contractors have installed 26 air handlers and 6 hot water heaters as well as repaired electric and plumbing in several homes.

Help us complete the remaining 15 cases by the end of the calendar year. Volunteers, skilled in general construction/carpentry, as well as those willing to learn, are needed. We also are looking for licensed and insured contractors. Full funding is available for all materials and contractor labor.

Opportunities:

- · Volunteer on Saturday November 12, 2022!
- · Indicate your interest in volunteering on other days that become available.
- Insured and Licensed Contractors: Please contact us for opportunities related to general construction.

Contact Volunteer Coordinator, Sharon Sgriccia @ <u>isaiasrecoveryvolunteers@gmail.com</u>

Long term recovery from disasters takes many years and is a very slow and difficult process for survivors. We hold in our hearts those just beginning to recover from Hurricanes Fiona and Ian. Please consider this opportunity closer to home as a way of standing in solidarity with all disaster survivors in all places.