

Zion Township

Updates – 12/19/2017

UPDATES ON OFFICE OPERATIONS

- Monthly Report Attached
- Zion Township will be closed for a Staff Retreat on January 17.
- LIHEAP: Since beginning on October 1, 2017, Zion Township has processed 274 applications. Walk-in appointments are available each Tuesday from 1-3pm.
- The 2017 Jr. Zion-Benton Leadership Academy kicks off at Zion Township on February 3rd with sixteen 14-18 yr olds enrolled.
- General Office Usage
 - State Representative Sheri Jesiel Township the first Wednesday of the month from 2-4pm
 - State Senator Melinda Bush the second Wednesday from 2-4pm
 - Congressman Brad Schneider the second Wednesday from 2:30-4:30pm.
 - Mondays and Tuesdays: Nicasa Substance Abuse Services
- Board Room Usage
 - Community Action Partnership of Lake County Financial Counseling Classes – Mondays mornings and Wednesdays/ Thursday afternoons
 - Jr ZBLA – Saturdays in February
- Our focus for January and February are on training staff, Beginning the planning for the Senior Resource Day, advertising the Summer Work Program application process, which is held the entire month of February. Youth apply through the Job Center of Lake County at www.lakecountyjobcenter.com.

BOARD SPECIFIC ISSUES

- We have a change in staff. Sandra Usher has been promoted from Administrative Assistant to Business Manager. Grace Gamboa, who was with Zion Township from 2005-2010 but moved with CREW will be rejoining the team as of 1/17/18 as the Administrative Assistant.
- Propose contracting with Rex Jones who worked for Zion Township in 2005 until he was transferred with the military. His background is in HR/EEO. Zion Township would have him work 2 hours a month on average to oversee HR operations.
- Supervisor Neal will be attending the Township Officials of Illinois Supervisor Division Meeting and joining the state board on 1/25-26/18.

“Empowering the Zion Community through Leadership, Advocacy and Resources.”

COMMUNITY – KEY RESOURCES

- ❖ **Abiding Love Food Pantry**
Each Wednesday from 10am til 1pm at Christian Assembly of God Church, 2929 Bethel Blvd, Zion (Closed 5th Wednesdays)
- ❖ **Zion Park District: Senior Food Pantry**
Tuesday’s from 1 – 2 pm Shiloh Center, 2600 Emmaus Ave., Zion for ALL seniors
- ❖ **Mano a Mano**
Immigration legal services (citizenship, DACA, green cards renewals, TPS), Health Case Management (assistance with Medicaid, All Kids, SNAP, child support, and temporary driver’s licenses). Monday – Thursday 9am – 5pm by appointment only for the Zion office 847-201-1521
- ❖ **PADS Lake County**
Night shelters are now open. Call 847-689-4357, extension #2 for additional information. A listing of the shelter site locations is available at www.padslakecounty.org.