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Dear Friends,

Thank you very much for your interest in bringing your group to Face to Face for a day of community service. Through our Health Clinic, Legal Center, Social Services, Washeteria, Dining Room meals and Children's Programs, we are dedicated to assisting the individuals in our Germantown community to confront their personal challenges, empower their lives, and fulfill their unique potential.

Enclosed you will find suggestions outlining ways that your school, church, or organization can help us to continue to reduce the suffering of the many people who benefit from our programs. Most of our ideas involve you collecting and organizing much needed items at your location and then delivering them to Face to Face on the date that your community service is scheduled. Upon your arrival, I would welcome the opportunity to spend an hour with your group explaining our mission and giving you a tour of our facilities. If possible, we would like to invite some of our clients to meet you so you can hear first-hand how your generous donations make a difference in their daily lives. I am also very willing to visit you to talk to your students or group about Face to Face and suggest ways that they can get involved in our programs.

Our volunteer-based programs take place outside of the school day and, as a result, it is difficult for us to fulfill the requests from schools who wish to perform community service at Face to Face during the week.

Your assistance is fundamental to our success and we are extremely grateful for your support. If you have any questions or concerns contact my assistant, Marie McCabe at 215-849-0179 or email her at marie@facetofacegermantown.org - Also, please feel free to contact me at any time. We look forward to seeing you at Face to Face!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Kay Meeks-Hank". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Mary Kay Meeks-Hank
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See Opportunities on Next Page!

Ways That You Can Support

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Make a Meal

Every weekend we serve hundreds of dinners to local individuals and families and we are always in need of prepared frozen casseroles. We use approximately 20 casseroles for a complete dinner, but would appreciate as many as you can make for us. Simply visit www.facetofacegermantown.org for recipe ideas and detailed instructions. You are also welcome to use your favorite chicken or beef casserole recipe – our diners would welcome the change! However, out of respect to our Muslim clients, we ask that you do not use pork. Remember that you are always welcome to serve one of our weekend dinners, too. For more information regarding signing up to serve a meal, please e-mail Nora Concannon at nora@facetofacegermantown.org or call her at 215-438-7939.

Host a “Fill a Bag for Face to Face” Campaign

One week, hand out bags in the community with instructions to fill the bag with personal care products or shower kits for our Washeteria. Let the community know when you’re picking up the bags (one or two weeks later), and deliver the products to Face to Face. See the next page for a list of products we always need.

Collect Personal Products for our Health Clinic

Each Saturday and Sunday, approximately 50 people come to our health clinic for general nursing care, foot care, health education, blood pressure screenings, diabetes management and other health related services. During their one-on-one visit with our nursing staff our clients are also offered various personal products to take home with them. We are always in need of shampoo, soap, disposable razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, body lotion, and deodorant. Although we would be grateful for any size, we find that the smaller, travel-sized personal products best suit our needs.

Assemble Shower Kits for our Washeteria

An important part of our mission is to meet the basic needs of those we serve and we believe that there is no need more basic than having the opportunity to take a shower and put on clean clothes. When clients visit our Washeteria, they are given a zip-lock baggie containing a washcloth, trial-sized shampoo, soap, shaving cream, lotion and a disposable razor. We are in constant need of these prepared shower kits as we give out a dozen or more every week. Those who use our Washeteria are also offered clean clothes and we are always looking for new men’s and women’s underwear and socks, as well as, new or slightly used sweatshirts, sweatpants and t-shirts for both men and women in small, medium, large and x-large sizes. We ask that all pants have an elastic waistband.

School Groups – Host a Coin Drive or Dress Down Day

A great way to help us is to ask all of the students and teachers in your school to bring in a coin each day for 100 days: “Face to Face Coin Drive: Count It and Make It Count!” Campaign! You collect the coins and count to see how much you’ve collected. Or you can pay \$1.00 to wear a certain color or dress in a specific theme (Eagles, Phillies, Valentine’s Day) on a predetermined day in support of Face to Face. Either program would be perfect to add to your academic calendars!

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Collect Snacks for our After School Program

During the school year we have children who come to Face to Face after school where they enjoy a safe and fun environment that fills those crucial hours between the end of the school day and the time that their parents return home from work. During their time with us we offer playtime, homework help, and snacks. We go through approximately 35 juice boxes/water bottles and snacks each day and are always in need of a fresh supply. Some snack ideas include granola bars, small bags of pretzels, fruit cups, and peanut butter or cheese crackers. Please make sure that all snacks are individually wrapped and we prefer that they are given to us in bulk as opposed to pre-bagged with the drink. (Pencils are always appreciated, too!)

Help in Our After School Program

We also invite you to bring your time and talents to our after school program from 3–4 PM Monday through Thursday. The kids love seeing new faces and our teachers and mentors are always grateful for the help! For more information about how you can get involved with our after school program please e-mail Amy Koslowsky at amy@facetofacegemantown.org.

Start a Collection for Items That Are Always Needed:

- Septa Tokens are very much appreciated by our clients who cannot afford the transportation necessary to get to appointments, job interviews, work, or Face to Face to use our services. You can purchase them at several stations or at www.septa.org.
- Plastic Grocery Bags are used by both our diners, who sometimes save a portion of their meal for another day, and our health clinic clients to take home personal products.
- Acme, Pathmark, CVS, Rite Aid, Walgreens & Target gift cards are given to the neediest in our community.
- Personal Care Products: individual bars of Bath Soap, tooth paste and brushes, skin lotion, disposable razors
- Washeteria Supplies for when our guests need shower and laundry services: laundry detergent, towels, wash cloths
- Basic Garments: underwear & socks (male, female and child), sweatsuits for men and women
- Small Gifts for Our Littlest Dinner Guests (eg. sm. stuffed animal, toy, bubbles, books, balls, etc.)
- Monetary Donations for the purchase of Birth Certificates and PA Photo IDs.
- Dining Room Basics: coffee, sugar packets

Thank you for considering the suggestions listed above while planning your day of service. We are looking forward to showing you our facilities and explaining our programs to you. We assist hundreds of people every week and could never do it without you. Your contributions will improve the lives of many and we thank you!

Want to Get Started?

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