



Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, ELCA Roseville, Minnesota

July 3, 2020

Dear Prince of Peace Member,

We are pleased to announce that the informal “Homelessness Team” has been formally chartered by the Prince of Peace Congregational Council as the “Affordable Housing Team.” The Council also authorized \$10,000 from the Mission Launch Fund to be used for initial planning activities.

In May we submitted a proposal to the Generosity Committee to use a significant portion of the Rose Diestler bequest to create affordable housing on the vacant property south of our church. That proposal was based on information we have been gathering since last fall as we met with organizations that operate programs for people with unstable housing, non-profits that develop new housing, service providers such as Lutheran Social Services, elected officials and others.

Although we have been working for several months, we are in the early stages of planning. We still need to determine what kind of housing would fit our location, what developer, management and service provider we want to work with, and most importantly how the project can best be designed to fulfill our mission “to build the church and love the world.”

We can’t answer these questions without your involvement. We have a lot of information to share with you and many questions that we need your help to answer. To get involved, please join us on Wednesday, July 8 or Sunday, July 12 for a “virtual potluck” via Zoom. Our invitation is enclosed, along with an overview of our work to date and an outline of some basic information about our planning so far.

Our top priority going forward is to keep you informed and involved. We will provide regular updates to the congregation. Also, feel free to contact any of us. We’d love to hear from you!

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