



NEWS FROM MCEF – RECAP OF THE August 14, 2017 MEETING

Mechanicsville Churches Emergency Functions (MCEF) is working hard to get the new space at 7235 Stonewall Parkway ready for business. Just as an update, all the interior walls are painted, flooring down throughout, furniture from the office at the Shalom House moved in, shelving for the food pantry on site with work crews ready to work the 16th, 17th and 18th to get them in place, interior work on the reception area and the clothing closet spaces in the works, and curtains on all windows and doors. Also in the plans is a display where churches can have their church information available. It will be able to hold a tri-fold brochure about your church. With this information, we hope to be able to connect some of our clients with a church home.

STAY TUNED FOR FURTHER UPDATES.

NEW BROCHURES were distributed to the churches tonight. A general brochure telling about MCEF and a Volunteer Information/Application brochure. Ask your church representative if there are any volunteer brochures to share. We would like to get some more people interested in participating on a OSS Service Team. Check out the Volunteer Information/Application brochure to see where you can serve.

FOOD PANTRY – 149 households were served in July. There were 18 new registrants. Please keep your donations coming. Needs identified this month are potatoes (canned/boxed), vegetables other than the normal beans, corn, etc., canned fruit.

HANOVER SENIOR RIDES - For the month of July, MCEF gave 64 rides to seniors and ACES gave 29. **Drivers are being recruited.** Please call 357-9360 if you are interested in joining this ministry. Charles Rasnick will call you back.

CLOTHING CLOSETS – All of the clothing closets are still at their original locations. Please call ahead to make donations and ask about hours. ***Again, please do not leave donations at the church door or the new MCEF location***

Adult Clothing, Mechanicsville Baptist Church 746-7253

Children's Clothing, Shady Grove United Methodist Church, 746-9073

Infant Clothing and Equipment, Mechanicsville Church of Christ, 746-5765

Linens, Mechanicsville Presbyterian Church, 746-5496

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND PLANS

- September 11 – 6th 9/11 concert at Walnut Grove Baptist. Music provided by the John Marshall Alumni Band. The event will begin at 7 p.m. Suggested admission is \$2 and a can/box of food to benefit MCEF. There is a blurb for your church bulletin attached to these minutes.
- October 1 – New Song UMC – celebrating 20th anniversary at Lee Davis High School where they first started to worship.
- October 14-15 – Mechanicsville Baptist Church celebrating its 40th anniversary.
- October 21, 10-3 – Hanover County Sheriff's Fall Fellowship Festival.
- Date TBA – Black Creek Baptist will celebrate 240 years.
- Date TBA - Gethsemane Church of Christ will celebrate their 150th anniversary

Next Meeting: Monday, September 18, 2017 at Stevi B's @ 7:00 p.m. This is a change from the second Monday due to the 9/11 concert.