Social Action Committee Focus.

11/12/17

We are a small committee and all are aware that there are numerous current social action needs, ranging from environmental, humanitarian, social justice and education issues. We want to select activities supporting these areas on both a local and a global level. We each have enthusiasm but limited time and energy. How can we best utilize our time and energy?

Mission Statement:
1) Involve our members in good causes that allow them to feel a connection to one another, and to HCSV (and to the larger Humanist community)
2) Help others
3) If possible, do projects with other groups in the area that may be inclined to investigate humanism and membership in HCSV
4) Educate ourselves and members of the community

Methods:
Leverage our small organization by partnering with other Humanist Organizations.
American Humanist Association. They make periodic calls to action.
Foundation Beyond Belief. We are already a volunteer network affiliated with them. See attached mission statement and their program areas.

Encourage our membership to donate $ to the above as well as to other organizations that we sponsor:
   - Stand Up for Kids
   - InStove
   - Brighter Brains

Educate our membership via newsletter, website, Social Action table, Sunday Forum.

If a committee member or the entire committee wishes to take on a specific Social Action Issue, a committee member must assume responsibility for that issue and agree to report on the issue at subsequent meetings or if unable to attend a meeting, to send a short email report.

If hosting events (marches, sandwich making etc.) turn it into a MeetUp activity. This makes the activity available to over 1000 people on our MeetUp as well as to other Humanist groups. The point person must be a member of MeetUp and be willing to host the event.

Coordinating with the Forum committee, by suggesting programs that improve the group as a whole’s knowledge on the cause and attract like-minded non-Humanists to enter the discussion.

GOAL SETTING FOR 2018
- Increase participation within HCSV- track participation in HCSV sponsored activities and then set goals for improving
  
- Increase participation in external group sponsored activities: track number of events and participation, set goals to increase
  
- Sponsor at least 2 activities held at HCSV (One Warm Coat? Youth?)

- Get 4 Social Action recommended forums on the schedule per year

- Adopt one local organization to sponsor ongoing support (Stand Up for Kids? Other?)