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2021 Annual Report

President's Report *Linda Haley*

As we enter 2022, the COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact Stone Soup Project's ability to serve members of our community.

Services were significantly curtailed in every aspect of volunteerism in 2021. Partner agencies which previously welcomed SSP's services were understandably reluctant to bring possible virus transmission into their facility and to their vulnerable populations. A further concern was that our volunteers were also hesitant about entering into services with individuals who may not have taken precautions against COVID.

Accuracy of our volunteer database was uncertain. Relocation of volunteers out of the region, coupled with inability or unwillingness to provide services for many reasons, made it necessary to contact each volunteer to determine availability. Appreciation is extended to Martha Gifreda for her efforts in this area.

Finally, as there were no Board Members who were willing to serve as officers, the Board of Trustees was officially disbanded in October 2021. A new Board was formed consisting of Linda Haley, President and Secretary; Kaye Smith, Vice President; and Don Haley, Treasurer.

It is my sincere hope that the services offered by Stone Soup Project will once again be offered in partnership with community service agencies.



Volunteer Report *Martha Gifreda*

Sent to all SSP Volunteers in November 2021: Back in June we wrote to you, expecting our work to resume soon. Well, we have good news and bad news, folks. Let's get the bad news out of the way first. Our traditional basic service of taking Reiki and associated modalities out to our partner agencies in the community is still on pause. We hope someday to be able to resume this service. If you would like to be notified when this happy day arrives, please mail me at stonesoupvols@gmail.com.

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Kelly Bisson, left, was honored as the originator and coordinator of the monthly Free Reiki Clinic.

2021 Board Action

During the COVID Pandemic, SSP's sponsoring agency, The Reiki Center, experienced periods of shut down, in accordance with the mandates by the State of Ohio. Stone Soup Project therefore followed the State's guidelines to not congregate or hold public business.

May The Board of Trustees resumed meetings. The Governing Board was dissolved. Kaye Smith stepped down as President and a member of the SSP Board. President Emeritus Linda Haley assumed role of Interim President.

July When restrictions were relaxed in late spring 2021, the Free Reiki Clinic was once again started on Monday, July 19 from 6-8 pm. Practitioner Reiki Shares resumed on Sunday, July 26 from 6-8 pm. Position of Executive Director was eliminated. SSP attended the Welcome Home event for veterans at Columbus Zoo. Relocation of SSP documents to TRC's Lower Level.

August Guidelines for sponsorship of private clients for services and classes were approved. 102 volunteers are recorded in SSP's database; attempts will be made to determine who are active.

September Nominations for all officer positions were urgently sought, with elections in November. No nominations were received. 28 volunteers have replied that they still wish to remain on our list. Many are willing to do remote during this period. Masks are required for practitioners and clients, including at Free Reiki Clinic. Unanimous agreement that all SSP volunteers must be vaccinated, effective immediately. Ohio Secretary of State's office contacted about potential dissolution of SSP Board.

October As there were no nominations for officers for the Stone Soup Project Board, the current Board was formally dissolved on October 25, 2021. Kelly Bisson was presented with a certificate honoring her coordination of the Free Reiki Clinic since November 2010. Board Members were informed that a new Board would be formed to continue offering the services of SSP.

Volunteer Report (cont.)

The good news is that we have volunteer opportunities in these areas:

The Free Reiki Clinic, held at The Reiki Center on the 3rd Monday of each month from 6-8pm. Masks are worn by all persons, practitioner and client, while in the The Reiki Center building.

Animal Reiki at the PB&J Stables in Pataskala on the 2nd Thursday of each month from 9-11am.

Remote Reiki Sessions, scheduled at the practitioner's convenience, in such a way that the practitioner's cell number and other personal information is not disclosed.

Individual Sessions in Person at The Reiki Center, scheduled at the practitioner's convenience. Masks are worn by all persons, practitioner and client, while in the The Reiki Center building. We can also use help with administrative tasks like filing, making phone calls, and the like. If you have an interest in any of the above, please email me at stonesoupvols@gmail.com.

If you have found that you are no longer interested in or able to do Stone Soup volunteer work, we are sad but we understand. We thank you for your service. If I do not hear from you, I will remove you from our mailing list. With gratitude for all you have done,

Love and light,
Martha Gifreda,

2021 Financial Report Don Haley

January 1, 2021 Balance	\$9,363.66
2021 Deposits	\$1,061.89
2021 Expenses	\$1,875.78
December 31, 2021 Balance	\$8,549.77

2021 Board of Directors

Mickey Stephan, Sue Marting, Yalan Weasner,
Linda Haley, Kaye Smith, Martha Gifreda,
Don Haley

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