Returning Citizen Financial Assistance Committee Report for Fiscal Year 2020-2021

The Returning Citizens Financial Assistance Committee (ReCFAC) was established in 2014 to create guidelines and oversee the disbursement of funds to assist men as they leave Orange Correctional Center and return to the community. The committee works with the Transition and Support Committee, which must have established a support circle for a returning citizen before he can receive financial assistance.

The committee meets on an as needed basis, conducting most of its business via email. Requests during FY'2020-21 included clothing and personal needs upon release from OCC, and some housing assistance. Food assistance was provided for one partner due to a medical setback.

We have provided assistance to five men over the year, for a total expenditure of \$907.11. This leaves a carryover balance to FY2021-2022 of \$2,323.10. We did not request any additional funds for FY'21-22.

Funds b/f from FY 2019-20 \$2,460.21 CHFM contribution FY 2020-21 \$770.00 TOTAL BUDGET \$3,230.21

EXPENSES FOR FY 2020-21 \$907.11 Includes rental assistance, personal

needs for five men

BALANCE c/f to 2021-22 \$2,323.10

We are pleased that Ann Shy will join our committee effective July 1, 2021.

The coming year remains uncertain as we adjust to some opening up and new plans. We have at least one man in the pipeline requesting partnership but we are unable to visit OCC at this time. As society opens up, we cannot predict when we will be able to attend Yoke Fellows or other activities at OCC, nor what housing needs there may be, but hopefully temporary housing and shelters will be more available during the coming year.

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