

CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH

HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

ANNUAL REPORT

MAY 6, 2009

PRESENTED BY: JULIA HAMLIN, VICE CHAIR

HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

The Human Services Advisory Board consists of ten members and two alternates. The board members for FY 2008 included:

Officers

Ivette Pizzano, Chair
Julie Hamlin, Co-Chair
Alexander Lewy, Secretary

Members

Linda Cox Jackie Pentecost Dr. Mark Pomerantz Ida Scott
Mark Driver Father Robert Preston

Board Liaison

Marian McCann-Colliee, Director of Human Services

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The Board continues to work with the Department to market services and develop new resources. Board members have attended various activities and events that were provided by the Human Services Department. In addition to the Senior Center activities and the After School Program events the board has shown support by volunteering at other projects sponsored/hosted by the Department. Some activities during the past year included:

- National Crime Night- table exhibitors
- 3rd Annual Cancer Awareness Health Fair, held in September. This year the Fair focused on issues affecting women's health and it was well attended.
- Senior Services Pancake Breakfast and White Elephant Sale, held in May
- Annual Community Thanksgiving Luncheon with over two hundred meals served to guests and homebound residents.
- Annual After School Program Xmas Holiday Celebration
- Annual Senior Program and ASP Mother's Day Celebrations
- Financial Literacy & Money Management Events (2) September & January

In addition the Board is responsible for facilitating the selection process and recommendation to the City Commission for the Annual MLK Humanitarian Award recipient. Mr. Kennedy Stevens, a long time resident and business owner was selected as the 2008 Awardee.

The Board continues to actively participate in planning and development of resources for the community. Dr. Mark Pomerantz worked with Ms. Colliee to bring Nova Southeastern Dental Program to Hallandale Beach. We are proud to announce that over 400 individuals have received dental services free of charge.

Some members of the Advisory Board are members of Friend's of Hepburn Center, Inc., so during the year a joint meeting was held with Friend's to discuss marketing, funding and activities that will assist the Department in addressing the needs of the community

during these economically challenging times. We commend Ms. Colliee and her staff for their commitment and for a job well done.

Like other Advisory Boards we had vacancies that were filled during the year. Mark Driver joined the Board in September 2008, and we are pleased to announce that two new board members Denise Lettau, Esq. and Sherea Atkins joined our team in 2009. We look forward to them sharing their talents and resources in a manner that will help us to advance the Department. Finally, we are asking individuals or businesses that are interested in helping the Department serve the community through volunteerism or donations to please contact the Department at 954-457-1460.