

Deanery Meeting
January 30, 2016
The Bishop's Ranch

Review of 2015 work together:

Sacred Space, ministry to the homeless
providing: food, worship/prayer, clothing
received an Episcopal Charities grant for a part-time Social Worker; trying to fill the position

Hayward is launching an initiative to deal more completely with the issue of homelessness in the city. It would be good for Sacred Space to be part of the discussion.

Corazon, building a home in Mexico
\$7800 provides the building supplies, education, and scholarship funds
April 16 is the Superbuild. Just need workers, another group has paid for the build.

Vestry/Deanery retreat
example to other deaneries
boost for ministry energy

There was general interest in continuing work together in these three areas, but each parish was asked to confer with the vestries, clergy, and deanery reps and bring back their answer/commitment to the deanery so that we can plan our 2016 work.

Our deanery is well represented in the work at the diocesan level. Three members of the Standing Committee come from the Southern Alameda Deanery. One of our two representatives to Executive Council, Richard Patenaude is the Vice-Chair, and stepped in to lead the Executive Council retreat last week.

Other possible considerations for our work together:

Youth retreat before our June Corazon build (Justin Cannon is interested, Mark?) Youth should consider bringing a friend with them.

Participation as a deanery in Holy Hikes. Led by Justin on the 4th Saturday of the month.

Make sure that parish-led events are advertized to the deanery churches.

Host a speaker (we have deanery funds to help cover the cost)

Need a commitment to improve communications

Previous activities:

“Bash” - picnic
Youth to Alameda County Food Bank
Ranch Workday
Campfire