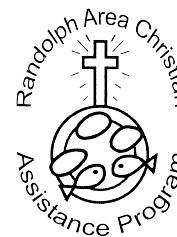


# RACAP News

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**Thank you, for helping us help others.**

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## Dear RACAP Family,

Happy Thanksgiving! Everyone has so much to be thankful for; family, health, and RACAP. Please continue to remind your congregations about the holiday food drive, as we make preparation to fill baskets so our clients may have a bountiful Thanksgiving dinner. If you have not had the opportunity to sponsor a family, please consider sponsoring one this year. May God continue to bless RACAP and all who support us through monetary and food donations.

Blessings,

**Kathy Staley, RACAP Board President**

## Upcoming Board of Director Meetings

At the September Board of Directors meeting the Board approved the cancellation of the December Board meeting because the regular date of the meeting will during the week of Christmas.

## Thanksgiving Ecumenical RACAP Worship Service:

The annual Thanksgiving Ecumenical Worship Service will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, November 18, 2021 at Schertz United Methodist Church, 3460 Roy Richard Dr., Schertz. The fellowship hour has been CANCELLED due to safety concerns about the Flu and Covid.

## NEXT RACAP Board of Directors Meeting. **7:00pm p.m. Tuesday January 18, 2022**

The meeting will be held at First Baptist Church, 600 Aero Ave., Schertz

## December Birthdays



Allen Puckett 12/07

Dorothy Stuart 12/08

Kathy Staley 12/18

Crystal Lacy 12/22

## Month in Review

### October 2021 Results

87 Families (212 People) Assisted  
66 Pantry Orders Prepared - 175 People Fed  
Estimated Value of Food Given: \$7,451.14\*  
\*Includes \$196.14 in additional food donations of over-abundant stock on hand given to Schertz Housing Authority residents within our service area.

## Director's Corner

October was a busy month for RACAP. We assisted more clients than we have over the last so many months. We were able to help clients get caught up with their rent and utility bills thus preventing evictions and utility disconnections. It's a wonderful feeling knowing we made a difference. We were extremely blessed with all of the amazing donations from the community!

Our annual Holiday Meal Basket Program is in full swing! Many of our supporting churches have scheduled a Harvest Sunday to help meet our needs. We also have many other wonderful organizations that are kind enough to be conducting Food Drives for RACAP right now too. Thank you so much!! It is a wonderful feeling to also personally sponsor a family and bless them with a meal basket. I hope that you as a family, Sunday school class or other group will consider sponsoring a family. You can find the sponsor application on our website racap.org or email racapholidayprog@att.net to request one or get more information. We are also accepting financial donations to help the cost of the perishable items for the meal baskets. There are many ways to help!

We are finding ourselves in strange times when it comes to purchasing certain items and prices are constantly going up. We recently needed to replace one of our freezers and have been told we will need to replace

another one soon. If you or you know someone that has a Freezer that is no longer needed, please think about donating it to RACAP. We will need an upright 20.5 cubic freezer with wire shelves. You can email me at [racap@att.net](mailto:racap@att.net) Thank you in advance!

We have had many new volunteers join us at RACAP recently. It's been wonderful to see so many new faces team up with our

regular hard-working volunteers to help make a difference in the community. It's truly a beautiful thing to see!

I am truly enjoying this position at RACAP and am excited about what each week brings.

Thank you for your continued support,  
**Lisa Loftus, Program Director**

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### **Current Pantry Needs**

Dish Soap	Mac n Cheese
Jelly	Ramen

### **FOOD DONATION DROPOFFS – BEFORE OR AFTER OPEN HOURS.**

RACAP has 24/7 drop off locations in the lobbies of these two businesses.

Physicians Premier Emergency Room, 580 Cibolo Valley Dr. Ste.#137, Cibolo, is a 24/7 donation drop-off location. It is a three-story brick building around the corner from Cibolo Wal-Mart. Donations made here will be brought to RACAP weekly. You can contact Physicians Premier at (210) 254-0983 for more information.

Schertz Cibolo Emergency Clinic, 4825 FM 3009, Ste. 200 Schertz, is a 24/7 drop off location. The clinic is located between the ATT store and Bush's Chicken. Donations will regularly be brought to RACAP. You can contact Schertz Cibolo Emergency Clinic at (210) 202-1123 for more information.

### **Holiday Meal Basket Program**

As we look ahead to the Christmas Meal Basket Program, we are going to need your help. We need sponsors to help by sponsoring families. As we continue to accept Christmas applications for assistance, we find that we may need sponsors to provide gifts for children. Sponsors may choose to provide food for the family with gifts for the children or just provide gifts only. Sponsor forms are available online on our website ([racap.org](http://racap.org)) or by calling RACAP at 210-685-1613 or emailing [racap@att.net](mailto:racap@att.net)

## **Holiday Meal Basket Program**

Please help RACAP fill their **Christmas** baskets.

### **Items Needed:**

Flour  
Granulated Sugar (4 lb. bag)  
Brown Sugar (1 lb.)  
Evaporated Milk  
Stuffing Mix  
Canned Pumpkin  
Yams



Fruit Cocktail  
Cranberry Sauce  
Chicken broth  
Donated funds will be used to purchase turkeys and perishable items for the baskets.

If you are sponsoring a family, the basket should also include eggs, margarine/butter, pie shells, celery, onions, potatoes, rolls/bread and the turkey.

RANDOLPH AREA CHRISTIAN ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (RACAP) BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
RACAP BOARD MEETING – October 19, 2021

I CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by President Kathy Staley. The opening prayer was led by Robert Dixon (First Baptist Church of Schertz).

II. REPORTS:

A. Motion made to amend the September 21 minutes to Change paragraph IIB to change the date St. Matthew's Episcopal Church will have their harvest Sunday from November 2 to November 7. Motion was made by Vivian Brehm (second David Scagliola) to accept the September 21, 2021 minutes, as amended. Motion passed.

B. Edna Strey presented the Treasurer's Report showing Total Liabilities & Equity as of September 30, 2021 as \$158,835.59. A motion was made by Vivian Brehm (second Karen Becker) to approve the Treasurer's Reports as presented, subject to review. Motion passed.

C. Lisa Loftus presented the Director's Report and the RACAP CAF account has a net income of -\$2,046.21 for September 2021. In September 76 families were seen for a total of 196 people. Of those 51 resulted in pantry visits feeding 124 people and the cost of food given was \$7,465. Income for September was \$8,000. Total CAF expenses for September were \$10,045.21.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

A. The Ecumenical Church Service will be held at Schertz United Methodist Church (UMC) on November 18, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Board members will provide prepackaged (not homemade) finger foods for the reception afterwards. Any church pastors/members wanting to participate in the service please contact Schertz UMC.

B. Harvest Sunday – Grace Community Church will be holding a Harvest Sunday on November 7, 2021.

C. Action was taken to remove Jessie Fisher's name from the Schertz Bank accounts and Lisa Loftus was added. Dorothy Stuart is the only one with a credit card until Lisa Loftus receives hers in the mail.

D. Dorothy Stuart is on vacation so we have no numbers to provide but we've been receiving a lot of client applications but need more sponsors. Please spread the word and you can get a sponsor application at <https://racap.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Application-Sponsor-2021.doc>.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. We've seen an increase in new volunteers the past month and we expect more in the month of November. Training will be done daily for new volunteers to help get them up to speed.

B. Lisa Loftus briefed we've been having issues with True Cloud the company we have our phone service through. She finally spoke with the project manager who is looking into the issues we are having. A copy of the contract is also being sent so we can research whether there is a fee to cancel the service and go with another company if they don't resolve the problems.

C. Kathy Staley (President) and Edna Strey (Treasurer) offered to stay in their current positions for another term. Motion was made by Karen Becker (second Vivian Brehm) to approve these nominations. Motion was passed by acclamation.

D. We will NOT have a board meeting in November and there was discussion whether we need to meet monthly. Research will be done to see if we can cut back on the number of meetings being held. Also discussed date of December meeting which would be week of Christmas. Lisa Loftus will continue to send out board meeting packets via email for the months we do not meet. Motion was made by Vivian Brehm (second Karen Becker) to skip December meeting. Motion passed.

E. Meat freezer in work area stopped working and Lisa's Appliance is coming out October 20, 2021 to repair it.

The next Board Meeting will be January 18, 2022 at 7:00 pm. A motion was made to adjourn at 7:31 p.m. by Vivian Brehm (second Karen Becker). Motion passed.

Respectively Submitted: Kathy Stone, Secretary

NEXT RACAP Board Meeting – January 18, 2022  
Location: First Baptist Church, 600 Aero Ave., Schertz.  
Pantry Needs List – see page 2

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