

## Lake Edge Outreach Report

**Priorities:** economic justice; hunger; homelessness; immigration justice; environmental justice and LGBTQ justice.

**Members:** Steve Pieroni, B J Obermeyer; Linda Roe, Anne Schoenemann; Susan Balliette, Chris Dankmeyer and Paulette Harder

**Partners:** The Road Home and Healing House; Dane Sanctuary Coalition; WI Faith Voices for Justice; UCC Witness and Justice Ministries; Worker Justice Wisconsin and Plymouth UCC (Immigration)

### Accomplishments

Allocated over \$7,000 to agencies that support priorities

Received a \$2,000 Neighbors in Need Grant to assist Worker Justice Wisconsin assist low income workers set up cooperatives.

In partnership with Lake Edge Lutheran and Christ the Solid Rock Baptist Church provided a total of 49 meals for the Healing House

Monthly provided food for breakfasts and lunches to Porchlight Men's Shelter at Grace Episcopal.

Provided school and other needed supplies for the Transitional Education Program.

Supported advocacy efforts of Bread for the World's Offering of Letters, action alerts from UCC WI Faith Voices for Justice and the Dignity at Work Coalition and others.

Member of Wisconsin Conference Immigration Working Group

### Other Programs

Many outreach efforts happen outside of the Board of Christian Outreach.

Two prominent programs are the Lake Edge participation in the CROP Walk and the Allis Weekend Backpack program. John and Jeanne Shields led and coordinated the CROP Walk effort which raised \$17,316

In cooperation with Zion Faith Community Lake Edge volunteers shop, assemble and pack weekend food bags for students at Frank Allis whose families are facing food insecurity. Some 3,500 bags were prepared and distributed in 2019.

### Social Action Team

BOCO recommended that an umbrella group should be formed to do annual planning for outreach and social justice at Lake Edge. The Social Action Team was formed and began in 2020. The 2020 priorities for the Social Action Team will be economic justice, hunger homelessness and immigration.