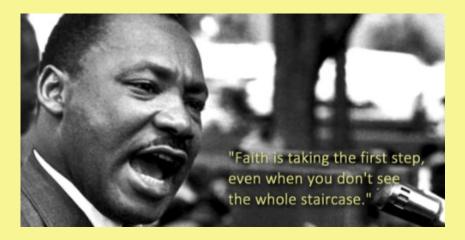


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Dear friends, Wishing you joy, peace and connection in this winter season!

During this week commemorating Martin Luther King may each of us be inspired by Dr. King's vision and activism for equity, opportunity and above all, love. May we take risks and be courageous as we work towards building our beloved community.

Read on for MIP updates!

End of the Year Appeal Success!

As a result of generous support MIP raised \$7,000 in our End of the Year Appeal. There are many ways to get involved in our collective work through active participation, too. A huge thank you to everyone who is contributing their time, talent or treasure toward MIP's efforts to expand housing access and build interfaith community and understanding.

If you have not given yet, and would like to, you can<u>click here to support MIP</u> with a donation or write a check to MIP and mail to PO Box 161, Keene, NH 03431

Your Input Needed Keene Housing Assessment Survey & Public Meeting The City of Keene is doing important work identifying needs, gaps and opportunities for housing. **If you are a resident of Keene, please take a few minutes to fill out this <u>survey</u>! Your voice matters!**



Then attend the City of Keene Housing Public Meeting Tuesday Feb 7th 6:00-7:30pm,Heberton Hall, Keene Public Library

Ad Hoc Housing Stability Committee Advances Recommendations

MIP leaders were pleased to see the final report coming out of the Keene Ad Hoc Housing Stability Committee. The report calls for many important changes including a legal overnight parking area, increasing collaboration among service providers, incentivizing new housing options, and creating a systemic approach for providing housing to people being released from the hospital and jail. **MIP Guiding Councilor Pamela Parrish submitted this Letter to the Keene Sentinel and to the City Council expressing our support.**

On Wednesday January 11, several MIP leaders attended the Keene Planning, Licenses and Development Committee meeting of the Keene City Council in which they discussed this report. The committee voted unanimously to advance it to the full City Council. The City has already started to institute some of the changes in the report.

This report will be discussed at the Keene City Council meeting on January 19th. Please join us!

Housing Development Fund Progress

MIP's long term campaign to create a regional Housing Development Fund continues! The MIP Housing Team has been meeting with business leaders and state legislators towards a public/business partnership fund.

Cohen Center for Holocaust & Genocide Studies

On January 11, several area clergy toured the Cohen Center to learn about their important work, build deeper relationships, and explore potential ways to collaborate. Many thanks to the Cohen Center staff for the fascinating visit and productive discussion!



See below for a special Holocaust Remembrance Day event the Cohen Center is hosting in partnership with Congregation Ahavas Achim.

L'DOUGH V'DOUGH

Community Storytelling and Bread-making Event



In recognition of International Holocaust Remembrance Day, the Cohen Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies and Congregation Ahavas Achim are hosting L'Dough V'Dough, a community storytelling and bread-baking event in Keene, February 7, at Brewbaker's Cafe in Keene.

Holocaust survivors (and others with a personal connection to the Holocaust) will be seated at tables with students, community members, and other participants to share personal stories while braiding challah bread and sharing a light meal together.

The name for this event is a play on the Hebrew phrase "I'dor v'dor," which means "from generation to generation." Thus, L'Dough V'Dough programs are meant to cultivate deep relationships and forms of remembrance across generations.

A LIMITED NUMBER OF TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THIS EVENT. To reserve your ticket, please visit: <u>https://tinyurl.com/2sh44wrz</u>. Please note that the system only allows you to purchase one ticket per transaction.

Hundred Nights Shelter Dinner Volunteers Needed



Dinner is served every Saturday and Sunday night to the guests of Hundred Nights.

Hundred Nights has just a few dates open in January and February for weekend meal dates. The following dates are available:

- Sun, Jan 22
- Sat, Feb 4

- Sun, Feb 5
- Sat, Feb 25

Hundred Nights receives bulk goods for the meals offered at the Resource Center. We have the following food items that need to be used up in the next few months:

- Pre-made beef stew
- Ground beef and whole chickens
- Pasta and tomato sauce
- Vegetable oil

If you're able to volunteer this month please respond with your preferred date and what you plan to bring. For information about how you can help visit: <u>hundrednightsinc.org/weekend-dinners/</u>

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