



Monday, May 8 Giving Circle Meeting, 7-8:30 p.m.
Hosted by Ysabel

Each person share what they learned from in-person site visits, as well as further review of nonprofit website & guidestar reports.

Here are the perceptions from the March meeting, when group members prioritized the nonprofits that seemed “right” and “ready” for our donations of time & money.

Green = high **Yellow = medium** **Red = low**

NPO	March Reviewers	April/ May Site Visitors 4:30-5:30	I'm Excited About This Cause	Logically It Makes Sense to Me	Group/ Family Hands On Volunteer Opps	Urgency: This Cause Needs Us Now
La Comunidad Hispana @ Kennett Square	Ysabel Natasa	Mon., 4/17 SV Tory, Ysabel	Green	Yellow	Green	Green
Safe Harbor @ West Chester	Beth Ann Jen	Fri., 4/21 SV Karen	Green	Yellow	Green	Yellow
Garage & Young Moms @ Kennett Square	Tory Eliza	Wed., 4/26 SV Ysabel, Tory, Eliza	Green	Yellow	Green	Yellow
Friends Assoc for the Care & Protection of Children @ West Chester	Eliza Sylvia	Wed., 5/3 SV Ysabel, Tory	Green	Yellow	Green	Yellow
Domestic Violence Center CC @ West Chester	Natasa Karen	Thurs, 5/4 SV cancelled	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
ChesCo-Opptny Industry Ctr	Tory Beth Ann		Yellow	Yellow	Red	Red
Family Promise of S CC	Tory Natasa		Yellow	Orange	Yellow	Red
Maternal & Child Health Consortium	Karen Eliza		Yellow	Yellow	Red	Red
Wings for Success	Jen Beth Ann		Green	Yellow	Red	Red

	Topic	Timing	Evenings 7-8:30 pm West Chester
MTG #1	Motivators, NPO Sector	January	Tues 1/24/17 @ Eliza's home
MTG #2	Due Diligence	February	Tues 2/21/17 @ Natasa's home
MTG #3	5 minute presentations on several nonprofits. Choose top for site visits.	March	Mon 3/13/17 @ Tory's home
MTG #4	Site Visits	April & May	4/17, 4/21, 4/26, 5/3, 5/4
MTG #5	1-Report back on Site Visits 2-Discern which nonprofit/s would be 'best suited' for Giving Circle's gifts at this time: gifts of volunteer time & \$ 3-Decide Next Steps: Giving \$ & Volunteering Individually w/Giving Circle w/Neighborhood	May	Mon 5/8/17@ Ysabel's home



SITE VISITS : APRIL

AIMS

- ✓ **Develop relationship**
- ✓ **Understand day to day joys and sorrows**
- ✓ **Feel/see areas not captured in reading/online**

DISCERN: Performance, Challenges, Hopes & Dreams

- **Organizational history & track record**
- **Constituents served**
- **Governance & executive leadership**
- **Organizational vision & strategy**
- **Plans, initiatives, outcomes, evaluation**
- **Human resources: staff & volunteer**
- **External communications**
- **Relationships, partnerships & networks**
- **Financial health**

Criteria	Yes	Maybe	No
Important community need	NPO serves a clear and compelling unmet need	NPO has identified a compelling need; methods & services may be somewhat ineffective	NPO is duplicative of other NPOs and is not meeting unique need
Reaching & serving constituents well	NPO is using substantiated, effective methods to reach and serve constituents well, with a proven track record of high quality programs & services	NPO has the potential, but outreach methods &/or programs & services seem to need a boost, refinement &/or revision	NPO does not exhibit sufficient evidence of outreach, &/or programs & services seem ineffective
Strong leadership: staff & board			
Org vision, innovation & nimbleness			
Appropriate, sufficient partnerships & alliances			
Fiscal health/need			
VOLUNTEER? AWARD GRANT?			