

RAAG ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Areas of Current Interest: 2011-2012

RAAG has 3 committees that are very busy. Feel free to join in any of them if interested. They are each fighting poverty one project at a time.

Team #1: Economic Justice

We are (a) advocating for a 36% cap on payday lender fees and interest rates (b) encouraging people to utilize financial literacy classes (many of which are run by congregations and (c) identifying alternative loan options for those who need it.

Contact: Deb Eagan - deagan@neb.rr.com

Team #2: Youth Curriculum Committee

The draft #1 for the "Do You Really See Me?" youth curriculum is complete. Now we need eyes and feedback. Who would like to pilot this for us?

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Team #3: Juvenile Mediation

The training is complete for 16 volunteers from various congregations to do victim/offender mediation. The first three began this week. We are also looking at "family conferencing" opportunities with very young offenders. Next meeting will be held mid-summer to review how the mediation process is going and to update the possibilities of family conferencing beginning this fall.

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