

Meeting Minutes
Homeless Youth Initiative (HYI)
March 17, 2026, 130 Brandon Wallace Way, Festus, MO 63028

In Attendance: Pat Scherer, Chrissy Immken, Angie Hill, Donna Morris, Janet McLard and Robin Scott. The meeting began at 9:35AM; the entire Board of Directors was present.

First order of business was approving February 24, 2026, meeting minutes that were distributed electronically. No changes were submitted. Angie Hill made motion to approve, and it was seconded. Motion passed.

Second order of business was review of the 2026 Budget (page 3) and February 28, 2026 financial report (page 4). No changes were submitted. Janet McLard made the motion to approve, and it was seconded. Motion passed.

Scholarship Awardees – Robin Scott

- Status of our Jeffco student – Logan Barnes doesn't have his grades after mid-terms; Robin will continue to monitor. Week of March 16 is spring break. Summer dorm rent of \$1,351 due May 18th; we're waiting to see if he'll pass this term before paying this. \$30 housing application fee for Fall 2026 term can be paid the week of March 23; residents have to compete for dorms. McDonald's is considering him for employment (Robin found out afterward that he was not selected).
- Northwest student headed for Mineral Area College this fall – we created an Amazon registry for Rylie Bell and several things have been purchased. The Scholarship Committee is reviewing her application; Janet offered to look into this since the committee has had the application since February 24th.
- We may receive a scholarship application from Maleah Lambrich who will be graduating from Hillsboro high school and will also have an Associate's degree at that time. She wants to attend Southern Illinois University-Carbondale (SIUC), live on campus there for three years and work on a degree in Dental Hygiene.
- Fanny Liu is attending her third year at University of Illinois-Chicago and continues to receive our scholarship and support.

Scholarships – discussed criteria and policies & procedures changes. **Criteria** document modified to better explain the award amounts and that scholarships are available based on a student's progress (instead of a two-year period). **Policies and procedures** document modified (1) "when can they apply" section to include "after these dates the applicant will be considered" and (2) "how much can they expect" section stating that "Students may continue to receive the HYI scholarship based on a student's progress (replacing the verbiage "for a two-year period or until they receive their Associates degree").

- Angie Hill may know someone who can Chair the Scholarship committee and will let us know.

School Liaisons – Janet McLard has 18 filled high school backpacks and 15 filled middle school backpacks ready. She needs 1" binders and 6 loose leaf packages of paper (college rule); Chrissy Immken said she has extras and will get this to her. Chrissy also asked for 5 men's and 5 women's deodorants; Robin will get these and drop off at her school.

- Janet McLard and Pat Scherer offered to design and fill folders for school visits. Contents can include the scholarship flyer, HYI brochure, car repair handout, food request list and the requisition form.

Fundraising / Marketing / Awareness

- Our website hyi4teens.org needs content and suggestions
- Fox C-6 Community Fair – Saturday April 18th 11AM – 2PM, game ideas?
 - I may have children's books to hand out
- Give STL Day – May 7th – HYI is registered and ready

Ideas for next month's agenda

- Outline and folder for high school youth and school staff, i.e., counselors, social workers
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Meeting adjourned at 10:50AM.

Respectfully submitted-
Pat Scherer and Robin Scott

- 2026 Meetings are scheduled in-person 9:30AM at 130 Brandon Wallace Way, Festus, MO 63028:
 - Tuesday, April 21, 2026
 - Tuesday, May 19, 2026 Guest Speaker Saranda Lund, Jefferson College - Asst. Dir. Workforce & Employment Services
 - Tuesday, June 16, 2026
 - Tuesday, July 21, 2026
 - Tuesday, August 18, 2026
 - Tuesday, September 15, 2026
 - Tuesday, October 20, 2026
 - Tuesday, November 17, 2026
 - Tuesday, December 15, 2026 small conference room

	2026 GENERAL FUND BUDGET	SPENT YTD	BALANCE
Administration	\$100		\$100.00
Emergencies/Basic Needs	\$30,000	\$100.00	\$29,900.00
Liability Insurance	\$3,000		\$3,000.00
Marketing	\$1,500		\$1,500.00
Pre-College/Training	\$2,500		\$2,500.00
Scholarships	\$10,000	\$1,000.00	\$9,000.00
School Activities & Supplies	\$4,500	\$142.50	\$4,357.50
Vehicle Expense	\$10,000		\$10,000.00
TOTALS	\$61,600	\$1,242.50	\$60,357.50

EXPENDITURE DETAILS:

Emergencies/Basic Needs	2/3/26 Walmart (gift card for Seckman-CR)	\$ 100.00
Scholarships	1/8/26 Fanny Liu (University of IL-Chicago)	\$1,000.00
School Activities & Supplies	1/9/26 Jostens/Glennon (Seckman cap & gowns)	\$ 142.50

Homeless Youth Initiative (HYI) Financial Statement
From Donations
February 28, 2026

Balance Forward - Unrestricted January 31, 2026		\$103,170.94
<u>Donations</u>		
2/24/26 Hillside Presbyterian Church	\$450.00	
2/24/26 First United Methodist Church, Festus	\$660.00	
2/24/26 Canaan Baptist Church	\$96.00	
2/24/26 Jane Dunehew	<u>\$50.00</u>	
Total Donations		\$1,256.00
<u>Program Expenses</u>		
2/3/26 WalMart (Emergencies/Basic Needs)		<u>-\$100.00</u>
Total Unrestricted Balance February 28, 2026		\$104,326.94
13-month CD rolled over at Enterprise Bank maturing 1-20-2027 (3.45% APR)		\$42,289.47
<u>Designated Funds:</u>		
Jefferson College Scholarship Fund (Held at College)	\$14,846.07	
College Scholarship Fund (Held at Decision Wealth/LPL Financial; we invested \$50,428.57)	<u>\$66,706.32</u>	
Total Designated Funds		<u>\$81,552.39</u>
Total Unrestricted, CD and Designated Funds February 28, 2026		\$228,168.80

Respectfully Submitted,
Robin Scott
Robin Scott, Homeless Youth Initiative Treasurer