

Meeting Minutes
Homeless Youth Initiative (HYI)
October 21, 2025, 130 Brandon Wallace Way, Festus, MO 63028

In Attendance: Pat Scherer, Chrissy Immken, Sarah Davis, Janet McLard, Robin Scott and Ross Politte, Jefferson College. The meeting began at 9:38AM; a quorum from the Board of Directors was present. Robin wore one of our HYI t-shirts that Sarah Davis made. Shirts are available in white or gray and will be sold for \$20. Contact Sarah Davis to order one.

First order of business was approving September 16, 2025, meeting minutes that were distributed electronically. No changes were submitted. Janet McLard made motion to approve, and it was seconded. Motion passed.

Second order of business was review of the 2025 Budget (page 3-4) and September 30, 2025, financial report (page 5). No donations were deposited, and Program Expenses were reviewed. Pat Scherer shared that the market value for our Decision Wealth/LPL Financial fund the end of September 2025 was \$66,706.32; this will be reflected on the September financial report (page 5). Discovered that no deposits have been made into our Jefferson College Scholarship fund since 2018. Currently we have \$15,346.07 in that fund. Next meeting we will discuss whether to roll-over our Enterprise Bank CD. Chrissy Immken made the motion to accept these September financials and it was seconded. Motion passed.

We reviewed draft 2026 budget (page 6); these changes were made from the 2025 budget:

- Emergencies/Basic Needs increased to \$30,000
- Fundraising removed
- Scholarships \$10,000 added (“\$10,000 earmarked for Scholarships” is removed from the financial statement)

Pat Scherer made the motion to approve this 2026 draft budget as presented; it was seconded. Motion passed.

Ross Politte asked if we work with Children’s Division; Robin Scott wasn’t sure if anyone from there is in our Google group. Ross will check to see who a contact maybe for HYI. Robin explained that we work through the high schools but we will consider Children’s Division referrals. Our current college student was referred to us from COMPASS.

Joyce Evans shared her life skills ideas and that she is willing to work with others to put this into action. “I think it’s time to ask for different types of donations. Like free car inspections, tutoring, counseling, bring fresh produce, beef from the Hillsboro beef association, insurance understanding, cooking, budgeting, buying a home, understanding taxes, how to fill out job application, how to save , Matching saving program, proper home and clothes cleaning, skills to growing food, financial understanding, all kinds of life skills youth need without a family. Spend the donations on the things the youth need. Teach the life skills the youth lack. Make a survey of skill questions that will help narrow what skills they lack.”

Robin said the challenge will be getting this into the schools or figuring out how to meet with our youth. Robin will send this to our Google group to see who else would want to work with Joyce on this.

College Scholarships – Sarah Davis shared that she is working with Paula Carpenter, Financial Aid office. Sarah presented several areas that need discussed in order to proceed with the Jefferson College Foundation. These points were made:

- Award amount is \$500 for the first semester; for subsequent semesters, if the student’s GPA is 2.0 or greater, they receive \$1,000. If the student’s GPA is lower than 2.0, they receive \$500
- The Foundation may award up to **5 (five)** scholarships per semester with continuing students receiving priority. We used Penny Muniz’s computation in last month’s meeting to arrive at that number. Penny approached this by computing how much may be totally awarded each student, i.e.,

\$500 first semester and up to \$1,000 each semester thereafter for two years max – total is \$3,500 per student.

- Awards may be used for anything; FAFSA will pay for their tuition and books
- Students may receive cash; the award goes into their Jefferson College student account and can be spent on anything
- Restricted to current year Jefferson County high school graduates who were coded as unaccompanied in high school

Once our Jefferson College Scholarship fund is depleted, can Jefferson College still supply a list of qualifying students? Then HYI may award from our general fund. Ask Sarah to see if she can find out.

- From the President's Desk – Robin Scott
 - Our Jeffco student has been advised to drop two classes and the Jeffco Care Team is helping him appeal for approval to stay in the dorms next semester.
 - Jefferson College Care Team wants to help more students, with HYI assistance. They asked when students are out of school for awhile, can they still apply for our scholarship? Currently, our policies and procedures state that only current year Jefferson County high school graduates who were coded as unaccompanied may apply.
 - Christmas program has begun; the high schools are starting to turn in the teens' wish lists.
- Fundraising / Marketing / Awareness
 - Our own website: hyi4teens.org – can a statement be added that donated cars will help youth get to work? Refer to Angie Hill, our website administrator.
 - De Soto Outreach results – Tues. Oct. 7th – About a dozen people were interested in HYI and took a brochure. We also networked with other agencies present.
 - Grandparents Raising Grandchildren results – Thurs. Oct. 9th – Not many grandparents had teenagers but we spoke with those who did and gave them a brochure. Some of the families had pre-teens so was still time well spent speaking with them.
 - Salvation Army Bell Ringers – www.registertoring.com to sign up
 - Jefferson County Circuit Clerks presentation – November 12th – They want to hear what the youth need and any success stories. Group will be about 50-55 folks.
- Ideas for next month's agenda
 - accept Board of Director nominations from the floor
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Meeting adjourned at 11:15am.

Respectfully submitted-
Pat Scherer and Robin Scott

- 2025 Meetings are scheduled in-person 9:30AM at 130 Brandon Wallace Way, Festus, MO 63028:
 - Tuesday, November 18, 2025
 - Tuesday, December 16, 2025 – small DRA conference room

	2025 GENERAL FUND BUDGET	SPENT YTD	BALANCE
Administration	\$100	\$48.45	\$51.55
Emergencies/Basic Needs 9/17/2025 Board approved increasing this \$5,000	\$20,000	\$13,018.36	\$6,981.64
Fundraising	\$500		\$500.00
Liability Insurance	\$2,300		\$2,300.00
Marketing	\$1,500	\$1,478.08	\$21.92
Pre-College/Training	\$2,500	\$1,359.27	\$1,140.73
Scholarships	\$10,000	\$2,000.00	\$8,000.00
School Activities & Supplies	\$4,500	\$2,405.51	\$2,094.49
Vehicle Expense	\$10,000	\$600.00	\$9,400.00
TOTALS	\$51,400	\$20,909.67	\$30,490.33

EXPENDITURE DETAILS:

Administration	7/15/25 MO Secretary of State	\$20.50
	7/22/25 Deluxe Check (check reorder)	<u>\$27.95</u>
	TOTAL	\$48.45
Emergencies/ Basic Needs	2/21/25 Washington Univ. Physicians (Fox-TH)	\$ 111.47
	2/24/25 BJC Healthcare (Fox-TH)	\$ 51.66
	3/4/25 BJC Healthcare (Fox-TH)	\$1,859.89
	3/10/25 Windsor C-1 School District (lunch-AP)	\$1,275.00
	3/10/25 Windsor C-1 School District (lunch-MF)	\$ 709.55
	3/10/25 Trent Huch (Fox-physical therapy reimb.)	\$ 105.00
	3/18/25 Trent Huch (Fox-clothes)	\$ 75.66
	4/15/25 Walmart-clothing & food (Festus-SM)	\$ 192.19
	5/7/25 Walmart-food (Festus-SM)	\$ 103.76
	5/7/25 Austin Perry (Windsor-phone bill)	\$ 47.50
	6/15/25 Robin Scott/Ameren (Festus-ALP)	\$ 437.07
	7/8/25 Walmart (gift cards)	\$ 500.00
	7/13/25 Mercy (Fox-TH)	\$1,884.00
	8/24/25 Walmart-food (Jeffco-LB)	\$ 94.07
	8/24/25 Walmart-personal care items	\$ 107.48
	8/24/2025 Jefferson Square Inn (Jeffco-LB)	\$ 400.00
	8/28/25 Walmart-personal care items	\$ 55.31
	8/29/2025 Jefferson Square Inn (Jeffco-LB)	\$ 400.00
	9/2/25 WalMart-food (Jeffco-LB)	\$ 142.65
	9/3/25 WalMart-personal care items (Windsor)	\$ 172.89
	9/6/25 Jefferson Square Inn (Jeffco-LB)	\$ 75.00
	9/8/25 WalMart-food (Jeffco-LB)	\$ 75.33
	9/9/25 Fox C-6 Food Services (lunch debt-CJ)	\$ 146.40
	9/9/25 Jefferson College (dorm & meal plan-LB)	\$3,257.20
	9/19/25 Walmart (gift cards)	\$ 500.00
	9/22/25 Precision Dental Care (Fox-CJ)	\$ 122.85
	9/22/25 WalMart-food (Jeffco-LB)	<u>\$ 116.43</u>
	TOTAL	\$13,018.36

Marketing	3/10/25 Atlas Youth Outreach (Trivia sponsorship)	\$ 50.00
	3/20/25 Donna Morris-(Sam's & Dollar Tree) candy & prizes for Fox Carnival	\$ 86.35
	5/2/25 DRA (Run, Roll & Stroll Sponsorship)	\$ 250.00
	5/6/25 Immense Impact LLC (website setup fee \$449 and annual subscription fee \$560)	\$1,009.00
	6/3/2025 Sarah Davis/DollarTree/VinylFun (signs)	\$ 26.22
	6/15/25 Robin Scott/GoDaddy (website domain)	\$ <u>56.51</u>
	TOTAL	\$1,478.08
Pre-College/Training	5/28/25 Chrissy Immken (Windsor-AA job) (cognitoforms.com and MPM-STL: lifeguard tng)	\$ 411.53
	8/19/25 Bronica Adler (Windsor-AA job)	\$ 67.75
	8/22/25 Jefferson College Housing Application Fee for Logan Barnes (conf#042650)	\$ 330.00
	9/29/25 Best Buy (laptop for Jeffco-LB)	\$ <u>549.99</u>
	TOTAL	\$1,359.27
Scholarships	1/6/25 Fanny Liu (University of Chicago)	\$1,000.00
	8/3/25 Fanny Liu (University of Chicago)	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$2,000.00
School Activities & Supplies	4/18/25 Savvi Formalwear (Fox prom-TH)	\$ 75.00
	5/1/25 Savvi Formalwear (Fox-TH prom)	\$ 175.00
	5/2/25 Seckman HS (Fox-TH prom ticket)	\$ 60.00
	5/19/25 Fox High School (lost book charge-AA)	\$ 150.00
	5/21/25 Julianna Walker (Windsor prom)	\$ 362.47
	5/29/25 Janet McLard (school supplies)	\$ 84.18
	6/15/25 Janet McLard/WalMart (school supplies)	\$ 948.50
	6/23/25 Janet McLard/WalMart (school supplies)	\$ 250.36
	9/16/25 Savvi Formalwear (Windsor-JO & LE)	\$ 150.00
	9/22/25 Savvi Formalwear (Windsor-JO & LE)	\$ <u>150.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$2,405.51
Vehicle Expense	1/29/25 QuikTrip gas card (Fox-TV)	\$ 100.00
	1/29/25 Phillips 66 gas card (Fox-AA)	\$ 100.00
	4/10/25 Express Mart gas card (Fox-HB)	\$ 100.00
	4/29/25 QuikTrip gas cards (Fox KP & JS)	\$ 200.00
	5/1/25 Circle K gas card (Windsor-AP)	\$ <u>100.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 600.00

Homeless Youth Initiative (HYI) Financial Statement
From Donations
September 30, 2025

Balance Forward - Unrestricted August 31, 2025		\$121,037.14
<u>Program Expenses</u>		
9/2/25 WalMart (Emergencies/Basic Needs)	-\$142.65	
9/3/25 WalMart (Emergencies/Basic Needs)	-\$172.89	
9/6/25 Jefferson Square Inn (Emergencies/Basic Needs)	-\$75.00	
9/8/25 WalMart (Emergencies/Basic Needs)	-\$75.33	
9/9/25 Fox C-6 Food Services (Emergencies/Basic Needs)	-\$146.40	
9/9/25 Jefferson College (Emergencies/Basic Needs)	-\$3,257.20	
9/16/25 Savvi Formalwear (School Activities & Supplies)	-\$150.00	
9/19/25 WalMart (Emergencies/Basic Needs)	-\$500.00	
9/22/25 Precision Dental Care (Emergencies/Basic Needs)	-\$122.85	
9/22/25 Savvi Formalwear (School Activities & Supplies)	-\$150.00	
9/22/25 WalMart (Emergencies/Basic Needs)	-\$116.43	
9/29/25 Best Buy (Pre-College/Training)	<u>-\$549.99</u>	
Total Program Expenses		<u>-\$5,458.74</u>
Total Unrestricted Balance September 30, 2025		\$115,578.40
13-month CD at Enterprise Bank maturing 11-20-2024 (5.25% APR)	\$40,000.00	
Interest Earned	<u>\$2,289.47</u>	
Total - This was rolled over into a new CD for 13 months (renewal rate 3.90%) maturing on 12/20/2025		\$42,289.47
<u>Designated Funds:</u>		
Jefferson College Scholarship Fund as of 6/30/2025 (Held at College)	\$15,346.07	
College Scholarship Fund (Held at Decision Wealth/LPL Financial; we invested \$50,428.57)	<u>\$66,706.32</u>	
Total Designated Funds		<u>\$82,052.39</u>
Total Unrestricted and Designated Funds September 30, 2025		\$239,920.26

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Scott

Robin Scott, Homeless Youth Initiative Treasurer

	2026 DRAFT GENERAL FUND BUDGET	2026 APPROVED GENERAL FUND BUDGET
Administration	\$100	\$100
Emergencies/Basic Needs	\$30,000	\$30,000
Liability Insurance	\$2,300	\$2,300
Marketing	\$1,500	\$1,500
Pre-College/Training	\$2,500	\$2,500
Scholarships	\$10,000	\$10,000
School Activities & Supplies	\$4,500	\$4,500
Vehicle Expense	\$10,000	\$10,000
TOTALS	\$60,900	\$60,900