

Subject: Tacoma Links ITS Facet Report Sept. 2019 Business Meeting

International Trends & Services Facet Report Sept. 2019

ACTIVITY COMPLETED:

The Tacoma Chapter of the Links ITS Facet responded to an international emergency as encouraged by all levels of The Links, Incorporated. This emergency resulted from mass destruction from the hurricane in the Bahamas.

We gave priority to this urgent call for service needs to women in the Bahamas, also requested by Bahama Links. The decision was to send 50 kits for women or girls to be filled with items used for personal hygiene. These items were purchased from World Vision. Also, a load of new black socks were donated by Chapter members.

IN-KIND DONATIONS:

Additionally, a new charitable organization was identified by Link Dorothy to work with our Chapter for a worthwhile cause for girls, appropriately named DAYS for GIRLS. Some members went to Days for Girls to construct kits and reusable items for menstrual periods in countries where girls are unable to attend school because of the lack of sanitary materials for use during their periods. 50 kits were also donated in-kind for the Bahama activity. Link Dorothy also purchased new underwear as an in-kind donation.

ALL FACETS HAD MEMBER REPRESENTATION in completing this activity with ITS Facet members.

Receiving and Packing of all items was organized by Link Melva at her home and shipped by FedEx.

IN PROGRESS:

Link McGriff has invited a NAMI Board Member to present at the Mental Health Forum in October.

Additional Comment:

Requesting brief presentation by ITS at Sept. Business Meeting along with sample display of kits sent.

Facet Members: Links Copes, Lane, Jones, McGriff, Okoro, Ray, West, D. Williams

Report by Chair, Joan M. Ray 9/22/19