SUMMARY STATEMENT


COMMITTEE: Operations & Maintenance

COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: January 7, 2015

BOARD ACTION DATE: January 21, 2015

PROPOSAL: That the Board authorizes staff to provide in-kind services to support an additional community initiative: the monthly distribution of food in a Lindenwold Station parking lot by the White Horse Rotary Club working in conjunction with the South Jersey Food Bank.

PURPOSE: To allow community organizations to continue to use DRPA/PATCO facilities to serve the community.

BACKGROUND: For years PATCO has allowed several non-profit community organizations to interface with the public at our facilities. These initiatives involved very little expense on the part of DRPA/PATCO. The Board had approved several such initiatives for 2015 via PATCO-14-046.

Very shortly after the Board considered PATCO-14-046, the White Horse Rotary Club requested permission for a South Jersey Food Bank distribution program in a Lindenwold Station parking lot. They propose serving approximately 200 needy local families.

Throughout the year, Philabundance distributes fresh produce at the Lindenwold Station on Saturday afternoons when lots are empty. The cost to PATCO/DRPA consists only of staff time to produce and execute a Right of Entry Agreement to ensure appropriate insurance coverage and indemnification. (This use of DRPA/PATCO property was approved via PATCO-14-046.)

The South Jersey Food Bank distribution program offers additional foods to families who qualify based on residency and need. The Food Bank offers meat, rice, pasta, juice and many other basic foods to meet the nutritional needs of needy families. Their distribution typically occurs on the third Saturday morning of each month.
The cost to PATCO/DRPA would consist only of staff time to produce and execute a Right of Entry Agreement to ensure appropriate insurance coverage and indemnification.

It is recommended that the Board authorize PATCO to support this additional community initiative for the 2015 calendar year through in-kind support as described above.

SUMMARY:

- Capital Project #: N/A
- Operating Budget: In-kind services – General Fund
- Master Plan Status: N/A
- Other Fund Sources: N/A
- Duration of Contract: N/A
- Other Parties Involved: N/A
RESOLUTION

RESOLVED: That the Board authorizes PATCO to provide in-kind support to the White Horse Rotary Club / South Jersey Food Bank community initiative at Lindenwold Station for the 2015 calendar year.

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