



HUMAN RELATIONS DEPARTMENT PARTNERS WITH FAITHACTION INTERNATIONAL HOUSE FOR ID DRIVE

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HIGH POINT, N.C. (August 24, 2017) – On Friday, August 18, a FaithAction ID Drive was held in High Point for the first time through a partnership between FaithAction International House, the City of High Point Human Relations Department, the High Point Police Department, Que Pasa, World Relief and the YWCA. Over 100 people attended the drive, which was held in the HPU Community Center, and 75 people received IDs.

The FaithAction ID initiative was launched in the summer of 2013 with the support of the Greensboro Police Department to provide identification for any resident in the community who may not have access to government-issued forms of identification, including immigrants, youth, elderly, LGBTQ community and those with special needs. Since 2013, FaithAction International House has delivered over 10,000 ID cards to individuals representing over 40 different nations and over 60 cities throughout North Carolina, Virginia and Ohio. In High Point, these IDs are accepted at the High Point Public Library and WoodForest Bank to allow access to personal accounts.

“We really felt everything went very smoothly. It was a good turnout and very positive dialogue,” said Rev. David Fraccaro, executive director of FaithAction International House.

“The High Point Police Department will utilize the newly-issued ID cards the same way we use those that are currently presented to us. When we encounter individuals with them, we will use them as a tool to verify the individual’s identity when appropriate for us to do so,” said High Point Chief of Police Kenneth Shultz.

Another ID drive in High Point will be planned for a date later this year, but High Pointers can also attend upcoming drives in Greensboro, Burlington or Winston-Salem. Information about future drives can be found at www.faihtaction.org.

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