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In late 2013, after an extensive and thoughtful discernment process, the Allegany Franciscan Ministries Board of Directors approved a new strategic enterprise called the "Common Good Initiative." In keeping with our mission to serve together in the spirit of the Gospel as a compassionate and transforming healing presence within our communities, the initiative will allow us to work with residents and stakeholders in specific identified communities to create opportunities, develop strategies and make investments that lead to positive health outcomes.

Evidence suggests that a focused approach in one geographic area will help us leverage resources and make a greater, measurable impact. We hope to utilize our resources to build in-depth relationships in each community, involve residents in creating or developing creative and innovative opportunities, and direct our investments towards the long-term success of those initiatives and programs.

Broadly speaking, the goal of the Common Good Initiative is to partner with specific neighborhoods to create healthier, safer, and more prosperous places in which our most vulnerable residents can live, learn, work and play.

Through the first half of 2014, the Allegany Franciscan Ministries' staff, volunteers and community partners worked to finalize the selection of a "Common Good Community" in each region. We are thrilled to announce that the Common Good Communities are:

Miami-Dade Region: Overtown

Tampa Bay Region: Wimauma Village (Wimauma, Hillsborough County)

Palm Beach Region: Lincoln Park (Fort Pierce, St. Lucie County)

The identification of these three communities is the culmination of a tremendous amount of work and collaboration, and we are so proud of and grateful for the work of the staff team and commissions, as well as our hundreds of community partners who assisted so far! The three communities are different in many ways, while the opportunities for us to partner with residents to impact lives in the short and long term are significant in each.

We are now entering the next steps of our planning work, in which we hope to engage members of each community as well as other stakeholders even more deeply in thinking about the best ways we can be involved in that community. In some communities, existing coalitions may be invited to serve in an advisory role; in others, roundtable events and town hall meetings may be held to gather information and prioritize.

If you are interested in working with us in Wimauma, Overtown or Lincoln Park, please contact the regional vice president for that region (Cheri Wright-Jones, Miguel Milanés or Upendo Shabazz-Phillips). We are eager to include you!

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