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Women Helping Others recaps busy 2022

As we embark on a new year, the Women Helping Others ladies kicked off their first meeting of 2023 by celebrating the club's accomplishments and goals met for the previous year.

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The nonprofits that will be speakers for the club's 2023 calendar year were in attendance to give the membership a preview of what organizations the club will be supporting for the year.

What is WHO and what do we do? WHO is a Sun City Community Association Charter Club of individuals with a passion and purpose for caring, sharing and serving the community. Its mission is to support existing charitable organizations within Williamson County with time through volunteering, donations and assistance by supporting nonprofit events/fundraisers, while fostering camaraderie, fellowship and inclusion.

How does WHO promote volunteering? WHO has nonprofit speakers at monthly meetings. Members take field trips to nonprofit sites to help members see firsthand where and how the nonprofit operates. They are Head Start readers, make sandwiches for Helping Hands or Georgetown Nest, just to name a few.

How does WHO raise money? Annual membership dues are \$10 and the WHO

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members are requested to pay an additional \$10 at each meeting, but not required. Extra funds are raised through events such as a bake sale that is for the club, but not for a specific nonprofit.

WHO is involved in third party fundraisers to raise money. The third party fundraising event for a non-profit where WHO will have total control of the planned event; however, all funds raised at that event go directly to the nonprofit not into the WHO treasury. WHO has two third party fundraiser events each year, supporting Opportunities Meals-on-Wheels, Georgetown NEST or Ride on Center for Kids ROCK and others as the WHO board determines.

Outreach programs are done for the community. These programs include BiG Friends, Holiday Meals Delivered, Salvation Army Bell Ringers, Celebration of Love or visiting nursing homes throughout the year.

In the summer, the club has a fan drive for seniors. They host book drives in the fall for Head Start. When these drives are held at one of the club's meetings, it is amazing to see the outpouring of such generosity of the members when two or three automobiles are filled with the items requested.

The generosity that emanates from Women Helping Others is an overwhelming experience that swells the heart with love.