



Community Conversation

March 19th 2023



What to expect today



Should last about an hour

Topics

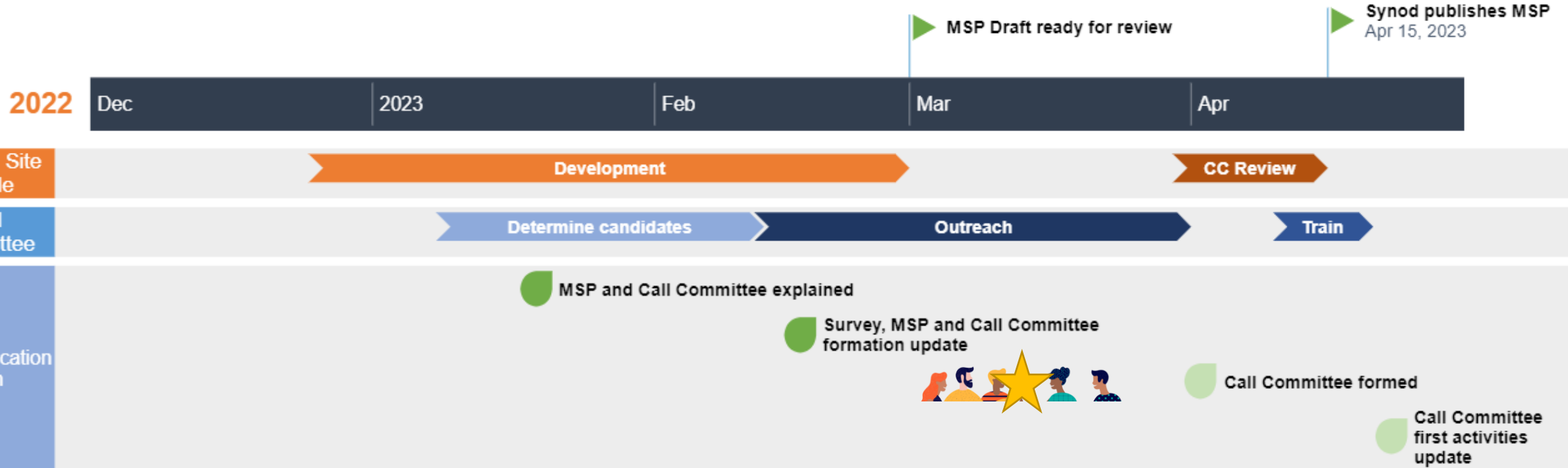
1. Associate Pastor Call
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Associate Pastor Call



- MSP draft is complete
- Call Committee
 - “Yes!” is coming in we are still forming
 - Continue praying for our team, invitees
 - Target to form Call Committee by 3/31

Associate Pastor Call



Strategic Planning



- Current Council going through coaching
- **Thank you!** 142 respondents to our survey
- Themes will be identified and shared in a future conversation
- “Quick win” opportunities are evident

Stewardship Update



The projects identified in the fall appeal were:

- Increased faith formation opportunities across all ages
- Funds for hiring a full-time associate pastor + cost of living increase for staff
- Security projects
- Goal of an additional \$108,000 annually

Stewardship Update



Pledges to 2023 Operation Budget Total Pledged:

- 192 households pledged \$ 861,539

Of these households:

- 90 increased pledges \$ 534,031 (+\$64,357)
- 50 same pledge \$ 183,645
- 19 decreased \$ 70,148 (-\$33,402)
- 33 new pledges \$ 73,715
- **This is an increase of \$104,670**

THANK YOU!!

Stewardship Update



64 households who pledged in 2022 have not yet pledged

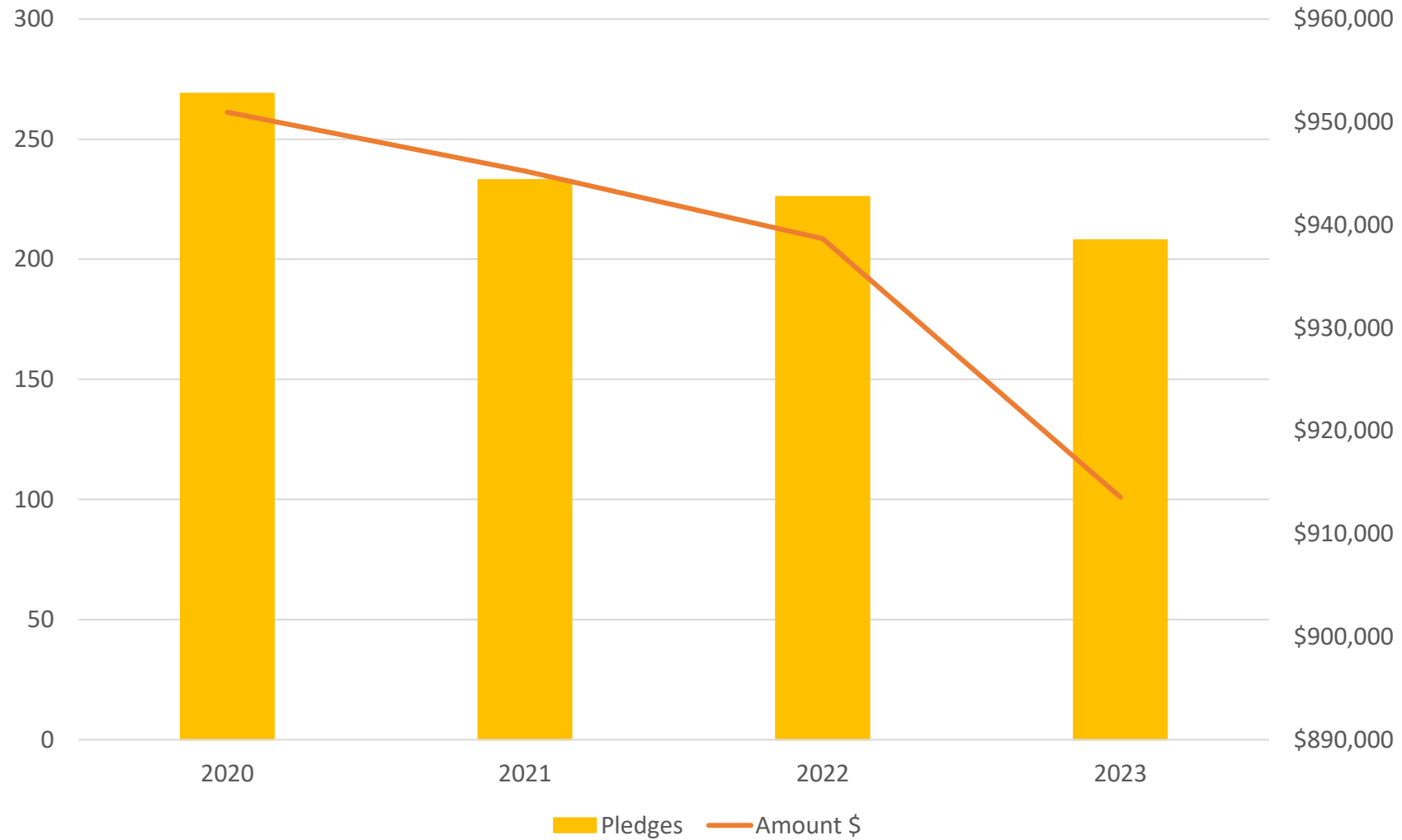
This group pledged \$183,291 in 2022. Of these 64 households:

- 16 households continue to give on a recurring basis, such as weekly or monthly online giving or by cash or check on a consistent basis. This total giving equals about \$1,000 per week, \$52,000 annually.
 - 14 households have had some type of major life event, such as death, have moved out of the area.
 - The remaining 34 will receive follow up
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- Total Giving Intentions for 2023 so far is \$913,539 from 208 families

Stewardship Update



4 Year Trend



Wiedenheft Dollars at Work: Boiler phase 3!



Sheetz Update



Leadership unanimously opposed due to safety and environmental concerns stemming from the increase and proposed flow of traffic.

- 3000+ cars per day
- Fireside and Espanola will be over capacity and overflow to cut through Epiphany's parking lot.
- Exit from Sheetz has a right turn that directly empties into Epiphany's parking lot
- Sheetz has over \$1 million in environmental fines from the EPA.
- Proposed sale of alcohol, tobacco, and CBD products within 500 of church and school violates state law
- Worrying crime stats at similar 24 hour gas station convenience stores in our area, recent reports of shootings at Sheetz including a fatal shooting in Columbus on March 3

Sheetz Update



Where we are today:

- Sheetz submitted a site plan in Dec 2022; issues were identified, including lighting, road improvements and landscaping.
- No application with site plan has yet been submitted to the Planning Commission.
- Epiphany is circulating a petition opposing the development.
- Potential to organize the neighborhood in opposition.
- The next opportunity to act is April 25. If Sheetz submits an application, Epiphany will be present at the Planning Commission meeting with petition in hand to oppose.
- If the application moves forward, we can oppose it at the Council level, which looks at whether the development is consistent with the use of the area.

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