

Questions and comments from Bishop listening event at St. Bede's in Santa Fe.

“We need to do something for senior citizens.”

“When we're doing our multi-cultural outreach, we need to include African-Americans, who the diocese has largely overlooked.”

“We want increased communication regarding the Borderlands Ministry.”

“What help is available from The Episcopal Church for Hispanic/Latino outreach and ministry?”

“We've learned in Taos the importance of having places for young people to hang out.”

“The homeless, which include many veterans, are being overlooked in terms of both outreach and aid.”

“What can we do to help the spiritual needs of people in transition — from divorce, job loss, other stressful circumstances?”

Working with youth is important — with camps and campus ministry — but past that age, how do twenty-something adults get involved in the church?

(Referencing the lack of awareness of the Doctrine of Discovery), “We need to go deep with multi-cultural knowledge.” Also, we need ‘hands-on’ help for teens in need — ‘praying with our feet.’ ”

“In everything we do we need to be aware of our environmental impact.”

“Where are we going to find the money to replace the yearly monies from the Settlement Fund?”

“Combined, Bishop's Ridge and the Bosque Center lost money last year; what is the plan for each to begin turning a profit?”

“Will our participation in the EYE (Episcopal Youth Event) program be in the 2020 budget?”

“Is there a cap on the monies given to aided congregations, and to aided congregations pay Fair Share on the monies they receive?”

“Where are we with Resource Mapping in the diocese?”

“Perhaps we should consider some form of team ministry — like the old Chile Line Ministry).

“We should be aware that grants are available from The Episcopal Church.”

“We have resources in the diocese than we can share (a professional grant writer, for instance); we need to be able to match diocesan expertise with diocesan need.”