



Through Collaboration Helping To Put The Resource "Puzzle" Together

Executive Director's Report **January, 2011**

MISSION STATEMENT

Not-for-profit resource center that provides direct aid or referrals to other organizations for those affected by a disaster, natural or man-made, or by socio-economic circumstances.

Tax I.D. 20-0867845 ~ Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c) 3.

VISION

To improve the quality of life of all Rim Community mountain residents, especially low-income and disadvantaged individuals/families, and to provide a model to other communities. This is accomplished by:

- (1) Building a community of support.
- (2) Educating the community.
- (3) Participating in coalitions with other advocates.
- (4) Continuing to seek new resources and partnerships.

I. First 5:

1. As in years past H&L continues to exceed the First 5 contract projections.
 - First six months, ending December 31st, we were projected to have 52 case managed clients actually had 90 (+73% over projection)
 - As of January 31st we were projected to have, a total of 58 new clients starting case management (7/1/10 – 1/31/11), we actually have started, since July 1st, case management on 102 clients. **Note: the 102 number is on top of the 87 cases that were active as of July 1st. Therefore, in the past 7 months our case management team has worked extensively with 197 different clients)**
2. Galo Galvez is now at the Beaumont Facility as a volunteer. Effective January 31st Lucero Perez was hired to take Galo's place. She joined our staff as a part-time bi-lingual case worker.
3. The holiday distribution of food, toys, coats and gloves was a total success as we were able to help 149 First 5 families.
4. Attended, and displayed, at 3rd Annual **"State of First 5 Address"** January 5, 2011 at Cal State University San Bernardino.

II. Rim Communities Resource Network:

Note: Attached are the

"Draft" minutes from meeting held January 12, 2011
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1). This holiday season, with help from our Project Santa partners, we reached out to a wider base and included: children, teens, seniors, shut-ins, and long term care patients at Mountains Community Hospital. The party and food distribution for the residents at Grandview Towers was very well received and we hope to repeat this event again in 2011,

2). **Project Santa:** With over 40 organizations, agencies, etc. joining together to help make the Holiday's better for those in need over 2,500 clients were helped (approximately 10% of the total population)

III. Community Outreach

As posted to you earlier, via email, Barbara Petersen has joined our staff as Director of Community Outreach. She replaced Chery Nagy who is now working for the County. It should be noted that the position has been reduced from full time (40 hours per week) to 24 hours per week.

Our staff is now 4.4 F.T.E. down from 5.1 F.T.E at the start of the fiscal year.

III. Beaumont Office:

[See attached report recapping recent activities)

January 27th met with Raul Bustillos from Bank of America. Toured facility introduced him to the staff and discussed possible funding opportunities. We will be submitting the Neighborhood Excellence Grant for \$200,000 (\$100,000 per year over two years... funds for operating needs.)

IV. Grant update:

McCormick Foundation Awards Grant:

Rim of the World School District emergency supplies are currently being delivered. School maintenance is doing prep work so they can take delivery of 6 Sea Trains beginning February 23rd. The plan, weather permitting, is to do one school per week. Work included installing shelves, etc. Dr. Steven Byerly is coordinating everything from the ROWSD side.

The Sempra Foundation:

Presented us with a \$5,000 grant that was used to help our clients pay utility bills and for us to buy food and gas cards.

San Bernardino County Capacity Building Consortium: Ira Maser, Dave Stuart and Barbara Petersen attending monthly meetings. Next meeting Friday Feb 18th 9 am – 1 pm

IV. Grant update: (continued)

Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) Phase 29. Submitted grant request for \$60,000 to help community residents with food, utility and mortgage/rental payments. Do not to see any funding forthcoming until April, 2010 at the earliest.

Miscellaneous:

1. Discussions regarding possible uses for Mary Tone School in Crestline are ongoing.
2. Our new advertising format (*"Do You, Or Do You Know.....Someone Who Needs the Services of First 5 Offered by Hearts & Lives ~ We Want To Help Those In Need....."*) **can be seen** on:
(1) Rimoftheworld.net, (2) ROTWNEWS.net or (3) in the upcoming Issue of the Mountain News **Almanac**.

Upcoming Calendar:

- 2/18 9:00 am – 1:00 pm Capacity Building Consortium ~** Jesse Turner
Community Center - Fontana, CA (Attended by Ira Maser, Dave Stuart and Barbara Petersen)
Topic: "Logic Planning"
- 2/23 10:30 am – noon ~ Community Organizations Active in Disaster**
(COAD). Fire Station #91 173 S. State Highway 173
- 3/9 3:30 pm ~ Board of Directors Meeting ~** Coldwell Banker Conference Room, Blue Jay