



CARE
COMMUNITY CENTER
Community, Action, Resource Engagement

Newsletter



AUGUST - SEPTEMBER

OUR MISSION

Building community partnerships to link resources by using a holistic approach to improve the well-being of all.

Upcoming Events



Highlights



Community Stakeholder Meetings

- **August 6, 2019**
(1:00 PM - 2:30 PM)
- **September 3, 2019**
(1:00 PM - 2:30 PM)

Resource Fair

- **October 19, 2019**
(9:00 AM - 3:00 PM)

Food Distribution

- **August 17, 2019**
(10:00 AM - 12:00 AM)
- **September 21, 2019**
(10:00 AM - 12:00 PM)

Cal Fresh - Medi-Cal Enrollments

- **August 7, 2019**
(1:30 PM - 3:30 PM)
- **September 4, 2019**
(1:30 PM - 3:30 PM)

Message From The DA



July was a busy month at the District Attorney's CARE Center! We had a number of great events that are making a real difference in the lives of people in our community. At a Stakeholder Luncheon, more than 70 attendees helped us celebrate the CARE Center's third anniversary. I can't believe it's been three years already! Much of the CARE Center's success these past few years is thanks to community stakeholders and their collaborative work with CARE Center staff.

At another event attended by more than 100 people— our quarterly Resource Fair— health screenings were provided through the Asian Pacific Health Foundation and free vaccines were available from the County's Health and Human Services Agency. In addition to the "farmers market" style food distribution event that we hold on the third Saturday of every month, there were various organizations providing services ranging from free cell phone sign-ups to information about employment opportunities. On July 3, 2019, the CARE Center celebrated the 4th of July together with

the community that they serve by having a cook out in partnership with the University of California San Diego's Relink Program. Together, they were able to serve hotdogs and hamburgers to over 50 community members. What a great event! This was only one of the many great events that the CARE Center hosted during the months of June and July. I truly appreciate the amazing support for the CARE Center that we saw in July and continue to see from the community all year long!



- Summer Stephan
San Diego County District Attorney



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Highlighted Service Providers

We're so proud to partner with many outstanding organizations in San Diego County that are doing some great work, including:

■ Community Through Hope

Ages: All Ages

Services Provided: Nutrition Services, Case Management, Emergency Clothing, Hygiene Assistance

Contact information: Rosy Vasquez, rosy@communitythroughhope.org

■ Dreams for Change

Ages: 18-24, but flexible with age

Services Provided: Nutrition Programs, Vocational Programs, Financial Assistance Program, Connection to public services, Workforce development program: on-the-job paid training

Contact Information: Kyra Bethel, kyra@dreamsforchange.org

CARE Center Success Stories

We're here to connect with the community and make a positive impact. Here are two recent success stories:

- On June 10th, CARE Center staff conducted an assessment on a participant that expressed extreme frustration with life due to his paranoid hallucinations. He refused to work with anyone other than the CARE Center staff and his case worker from Youth Assistance Coalition. The CARE Center staff was able to contact his case worker, who relayed that the individual stopped taking his medication for schizophrenia and bipolar disorder. The individual was immediately referred to a crisis center, where he received treatment and medication. Upon his release, the CARE Center referred him to "Mazie's Place", a mental health assisted living home. He continues to receive support and counseling.
- A Community Youth Court (CYC) participant was assessed at the CARE Center. The CYC panelists and the CARE Center staff referred the participant and her mother to Open Heart Leaders for mediation. Through Open Heart Leaders and the CARE Center, the participant and the mother worked on learning effective communication skills and recognizing emotional barriers.



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Stakeholder Appreciation Luncheon




On July 2, 2019, we celebrated the CARE Center's third anniversary together with our CARE Community stakeholders. Over 70 stakeholders were present. District Attorney Summer Stephan was in attendance. During this time, we reported out CARE Center numbers. In total, over 13,300 community members have walked through our doors. Of those community members, over 7,000 have been there for our needs assessment. Over 1,500 services have been offered to these participants based on the results of their needs assessments.

CARE Center Assessments and Contact Information

Needs Assessment

If you or someone you know would like to sign up for our needs/housing assessment, please contact us through either of the following:

 **Phone:** (619) 356-4489

 **Email:** info@sdcarecenter.org

 **Facebook:** [facebook.com/SDCareCenter](https://www.facebook.com/SDCareCenter)

 **Address:** 12 N. Euclid Avenue, National City, CA 91950



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