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January is National Blood Donor Month Barney & Barney

This January, the American Red Cross celebrates National Blood Donor Month and recognizes the lifesaving contributions of blood and platelet donors. As we begin the New Year, the Red Cross encourages individuals to roll up a sleeve to give this month and throughout 2017. National Blood Donor Month has been observed in January since 1970 with the goal of increasing blood and platelet donations during winter – one of the most difficult times of year to collect enough blood products to meet patient needs. During the winter months, inclement weather often results in cancelled blood drives, and seasonal illnesses like the flu may cause some donors to become temporarily unable to donate.

To learn where you can donate blood in your area, please go to:

<http://www.redcross.org/news/article/Resolve-to-Give-during-NationalBlood-Donor->

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Policy of the Month: Accessing Management & On-Call Employees By Administration

If a life-threatening injury occurs or threat of immediate danger exists: immediately call 911!

During the course of providing services to clients, employees may need to communicate with management and on-call workers:

During business hours (Monday through Friday – 8:30 am to 5:00 pm)

1. Call case responsible Case Manager's direct office line.
2. If no one answers, leave a message on his/her voicemail.
3. Allow time for the Case Manager to receive the message.
4. If it is an **emergency*** situation, follow the voicemail directions to call Emergency contact.
5. If it is an **emergency and you cannot wait 15-20 minutes**, the appropriate community resource should be called (911, police, ambulance, fire department, etc.).
6. Allow time for page to be received and the person time to call back.
7. Stay off phone to allow the person to call back.
8. If no one contacts you within 15 minutes, call again.
9. If still no answer, try the next number on the emergency list, which is usually the Regional Manager/Program Manager.
10. Continue to go down the contact list and follow the above procedures until someone returns the call.

After business hours (Monday through Friday – 5:00 pm to 8:30 am and all day Saturday and Sunday)

11. If **non-emergency****, call the Case Manager's direct line and leave a message on his/her voicemail. The Case Manager will check his/her voicemail the next business day morning.
12. If it is an emergency * situation, call the appropriate on-call or the appropriate "800" line at the office and follow the voicemail directions on how to make an Emergency call. It is important to include the number where you can be reached to speed up the return call.



**Client
Anniversaries**

24 Years
John R. | San Marcos

22 Years
Johnny J. | Fresno

20 Years
Akito I. | Imperial Valley
Paul M. | Imperial Valley

19 Years
Plai M. | Fresno
Sou T. | Fresno

16 Years
Mark K. | San Marcos

14 Years
Steve G. | Merced

13 Years
Maria G. | Salinas
Susan M. | San Marcos

11 Years
Steven R. | San Marcos

10 Years
Michael T. | Santa Clara

9 Years
Roxann H. | Santa Clara

8 Years
Juanita S. | Salinas
Shirley C. | Santa Clara

7 Years
Steven M. | Manteca
Joey O. | Santa Clara
Lincoln G. | Imperial Valley
Sherry D. | Imperial Valley

6 Years
Peter A. | Manteca

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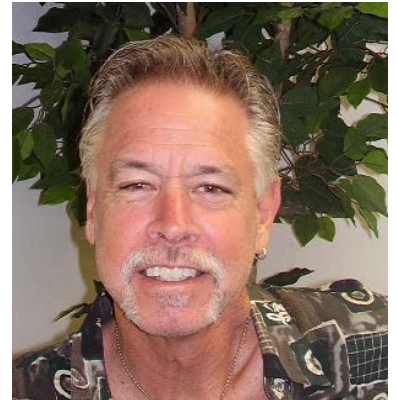
Southern California

San Marcos

By San Marcos Staff

What's Going On?

Congratulations to Direct Service Supervisor, Mr. Ron Clayton, for being awarded the James A. Jenkins Award of Excellence for 2016! You deserve this award of recognition, and we're so proud of you. We'd also like to welcome our newest employment coordinator, Larisa Rodriguez!



(Above) Ron Clayton

Imperial Valley

By Ana Norris

What's Going On?

We would like to welcome back everyone to a great start to 2017! Our programs and staff are growing, and we are so happy for what this year has in store!

Do not forget that the nice cool weather is going away, and the warmer weather is just around the corner. Don't forget to hydrate, carry your water bottle, and remind your clients to do the same. Remember to fill up at the office whenever you stop by! We would also like to congratulate Alejandra Velez on being one of the winners of the 2016 Safety Opportunity Drawing! Stay tuned for more exciting news on our next newsletter!



(Above) Larissa Rodriguez

South Bay

Santa Clara

By Erica Barber

What's Going On?

Case Manager Stephanie Bravo worked incredibly hard on our calendar fundraiser for CAC! There were some unexpected events that made it more difficult than we had originally anticipated, and we appreciate all her hard work and creativity. It came out beautiful! We received a lot of positive feedback. It was such a success that all of the calendars sold out!

In honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day this month, I would like to share some of his quotes with everyone.

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."

"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy."



(Above) Alejandra with her winnings!



Client Anniversaries

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3 Years

Gustavo P. | Manteca
Stewart R. | Santa Clara
Heather M. | Santa Clara
Larry A. | Visalia
Blanca G. | Imperial Valley
Charles E. | Ukiah
Jacob S. | Visalia
Angel H. | Salinas

2 Years

Vanessa G. | Imperial Valley
Marlene G. | Imperial Valley

1 Years

David D. | Salinas
Catalina U. | Imperial Valley
Esteban C. | Imperial Valley
Frank E. | Santa Clara
Jeffrey B. | Fresno

Redwood Coast Ukiah

By Jennifer Bilstein

What's Going On?

Happy New Year all! We hope everyone had a good holiday season and a great new year!

First a big happy birthday to our client Heidi, our DSA Kim, and Office Manager Jennifer!

The month of January was pretty laid back for us up here. A lot of rest and relaxation after the hustle and bustle of the busy holiday season was in order. We did have a bit of fun with a couple of activities. A few clients enjoyed some exercise with Special Olympics Basketball. Although it's just practice right now, clients are having fun and honing their skills for later in the season.

Some of our clients got together for a CAC meeting, cookie exchange, and a leisurely walk. They participated in the community New Year New You walk along the Rail Trail. This year we're going to be moving our focus into nutrition. I'm sure you notice the irony of focusing on nutrition while choosing to do a cookie exchange! To their defense they didn't know we were switching topics until this meeting. 😊

We hope everyone's New Year is off to a great start!•

Corporate

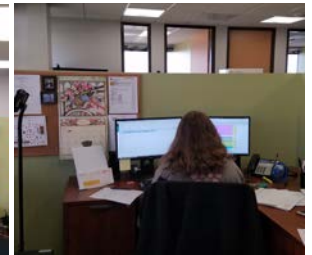
By Alesia Forte

What's Going On?

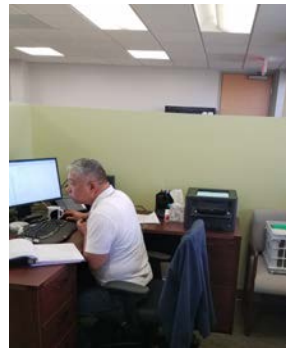
The Corporate office has a brand new home, and we love it!•



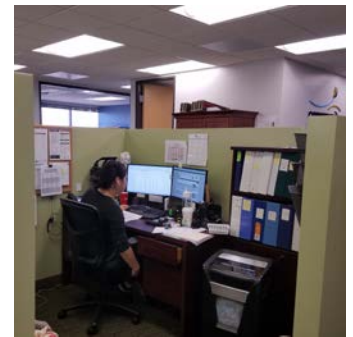
(Above) Rocio



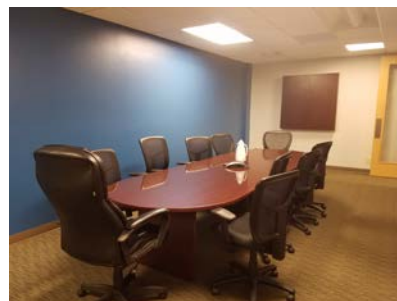
(Above) Vanessa



(Above) Jess



(Above) Jacque



(Above) Conference Room



(Above) Kitchen

Employee Anniversaries

22 Years
Denise Mansfield | Regional
Manger

15 Years
Shawn Benson | Ukiah

14 Years
Rosa Vizcaino | Manteca

8 Years
Lizabeth Leach | Ukiah
Maria Lopez | Visalia

6 Years
Andrea Hernandez | Salinas
Janine Hobson | San Marcos

3 Years
Jennifer Bilstein | Ukiah
Mary Eros | Imperial Valley
Regina Gomez | Ukiah
Brianna Walker | Fresno

2 Years
Rhonda Price | Fresno
Mark Sartuche | Visalia

1 Year
Delvon Hite | Ukiah
John Taylor | VCS

Wellness Winner
of the Month:

**SHELLEY
COOK**

ANNUAL
Wellness
Winner:

**JENNIFER
BILSTEIN**

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Org Central

By reminding employees to shop at
smile.amazon.com, Community Catalysts of
California could increase its AmazonSmile
donations!

Our charity link is: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/33-0008269>

HAPPY SHOPPING!!!