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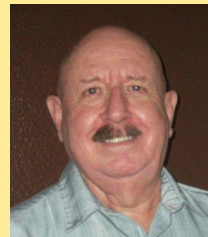
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Soroptimist House of Hope President's Message



New Year greetings from Soroptimist House of Hope. It's hard to believe that another year has flown by so fast, but I hope you all had a wonderful Holiday Season and that you'll have a very prosperous and Happy New Year.

I know that we at House of Hope look forward to a wonderful year filled with challenges and accomplishments that make our organization the best that it can be. Some examples of that will be getting some much needed improvements done at our two locations, Desert Hot Springs, Recovery Facility and

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Banning, Transitional Living home. Whether it's getting new roofs for our facilities or seeing that the inside of the bedrooms get their needed paint on the walls, there is always something that helps with maintaining an atmosphere that our clients, staff, and Board of Directors can be proud of and feel right at home.

Another New Year means staying on course with our five year strategic plan to guide our efforts to provide high-quality services for our clients and ensure our financial sustainability and success. It also means another New Year getting the needed funds from grants, donations, and support from our family and friends of the Coachella Valley and beyond to see that our organization continues to help women get the needed programs, education, and support to establish clean and sober lifestyles.

Speaking of support, we hope you all mark your calendars and save the date for April 23, 2016 for our Third Annual "Day of Hope". This is our main fundraiser for the year and we want to thank all of you who support House of Hope and look forward to seeing you there.

This New Year will also mark our 35th Anniversary! We'll be letting you know in the near future how we plan to celebrate that achievement!

Don't forget to check out our website, www.recoveryhouseofhope.org to keep up on the continuing good things happening at SHOH.

Sincerely,
George Fisher

Executive Board President

**Soroptimist House of Hope
Executive Director Message**

Happy New Year and thank you to everyone

**TYPICAL MONTHLY
ACTIVITIES**

<u>Morning Mediations</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Smoking Cessation</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>Parenting Classes</u>	<u>8</u>
<u>Weekly Family Rap</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>Health Clinic/TB</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>Drug Education Class</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>Dept.Public Serv</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>Food stamps</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>Anger Management Group</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>Relapse Prevention Group</u>	<u>5</u>
<u>Self Esteem Group</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>Dr./Dentist appointments</u>	<u>8</u>
<u>Court Visits</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>Monthly Family Day</u>	<u>10</u>
<u>Healthy Relationships</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>CPS child Visits</u>	<u>6</u>
<u>Probation Visits</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>AA/NA Meeting</u>	<u>25</u>
<u>Aftercare Workshops</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>Goal Setting/Client Progress</u>	<u>8</u>
<u>Co-Occurring Disorder</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>Education</u>	<u>2</u>

The staff and clients are also involved in many community volunteer opportunities.



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that helped us to enjoy another blessed holiday season at SHOH. Between the holiday celebrations and the hustle and bustle of year end projects, we have stayed very busy. I am happy to report that our revised Drug Medi-Cal Application was mailed back to DHCS (Department of Health Care Services) on December 30, 2015. We are working diligently with the County of Riverside Substance Use Administration to be part of the future of integrated health care services. Our biennial renewal application for License and Certification with DHCS was also submitted in early December. In addition to our work locally, Lupe Stoneburner and I continue to work closely with the Board of Directors for CCAPP (California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals) in Sacramento. 2016 is going to be a banner year for both addiction programs and professionals with more trainings and executive roundtables and conferences throughout the year. For more information on CCAPP, please go to their website at www.ccapp.us. SHOH is looking forward to a great year both in continuing to provide quality services to our clients and working to have a stronger voice in our profession. I am eternally grateful for the help I have received over the last year to help keep SHOH moving forward into the coming year. A special thanks to Leonel Contreras of the Riverside Latino Commission and Rick Mesa of The Ranch Recovery Services for being outstanding collaborators with us and to Becky Casten, our volunteer bookkeeper, Margaret Henderson, our volunteer payroll services expert, Chris Francisco, Grant Writer extraordinaire and Juanita Hernandez, Marketing Coordinator wiz kid. It is with the help and guidance of these folks, our dedicated staff and board of directors that SHOH continues to grow and be the best little recovery program in the west.

To help us with our mission, please visit www.recoveryhouseofhope.org.

In love and Service,
Cynthia "Oma" Gray, CADC-II, ICADC
Executive Director

for Soroptimist House of Hope. Then a donation will be made by Ralphs to SHOH every time you shop. We receive a check directly from Ralphs every quarter. Thanks, Ralphs and thanks to you for signing up.

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SAVE THE DATE "A DAY OF HOPE" Saturday, April 23, 2016



Please plan to join us for our third annual "A Day of Hope" event at the Skyborne Clubhouse in Desert Hot Springs on Saturday, April 23 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Our host will be Jenifer Daniels, anchor of the CBS Local 2 Morning News. Tickets are \$40 each and include free valet parking, a delicious array of hors d'oeuvres provided by local restaurants, a silent auction and raffle, and inspiring speakers who will tell about the important work we are doing to help disadvantaged women overcome substance use disorders and live sober and happy lives. All proceeds from the event will help us provide our program services in 2016. Please watch your email for our Save the Date announcement later this month. Tickets will be available in February. We hope to see you there!

GRANTS UPDATE

Reported by Christopher Francisco

House of Hope has successfully launched into our 2015-2016 fiscal year with the help of

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several corporate, foundation and government grants totaling \$57,740. The Doyle Foundation and Laura May Stewart Foundation's generosity provided for improvements to our Banning transitional living home, including exterior painting, a new roof, remodeling of the bathrooms, and new kitchen appliances. Bighorn Golf Club Charities will underwrite the cost of a new roof for our Desert Hot Springs recovery center. Desert Healthcare District awarded a grant to install energy-efficient double pane windows in our recovery center, and the Berger Foundation, Employees Community Fund of Boeing California, and Champions Volunteer Foundation have provided grants in support of our program services. Many thanks to all of our corporate and foundation supporters, as well as the generosity of our local Soroptimist clubs and individual donors. Your support helps us to provide our valuable substance use disorder recovery programs to the greatest number of women in need possible.



Client Comments:

"The power of recovery truly lives here. The tools that were given to me and the mind-set I acquired here through the woman and counselors and my

House of Hope Alumni Holiday Party



In December, Soroptimist House of Hope celebrated the holidays with an Alumni Christmas Party. The House of Hope alumni planned and executed this special holiday party for the current clients of House of Hope.

new way of life and faith
are amazing" ~ K.K

"This home gave me more
than I could ever ask for. I
now have peace within
myself and also love for
myself. Each and everyone
at the House of Hope is a
gift from God. The magic
in these walls would not be
possible without you." ~
S.M.

"The moment that I walked
through the front door any
reservations that I had
were lifted and I felt
unconditional love and
support. I have been
taught the tools that I need
to maintain my sobriety
and have been shown how
to live my life full of
confidence and
happiness." ~ M.C.

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Each alumni brought their favorite dish and
House of Hope Board Members helped with
donations for the Christmas bags for the
current clients.

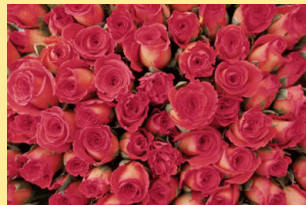


Alumni, staff,
and clients
enjoyed a
special
holiday meal
together and
the house
even received

a special visitor! Santa surprised the current
client and alumni's children and families and
posed for photos and listened to their
Christmas wishlist requests.

Special thank you to the Alumni and Board
members who attended this wonderful event.
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