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News from The Summit

Vision Statement

Crosspoint strives to be the model of personal and community restoration

Behavioral Health Diversion Program

Crosspoint is embarking on a treatment-focused, residential pretrial diversion project for nonviolent offenders who have substance use or mental health disorders. This project is of great importance to our community because these citizens are routinely held in jail solely to ensure their next court appearance. Diverting individuals with behavioral health needs from incarceration and into appropriate treatment services has the potential to reduce recidivism and the costs associated with incarceration, while increasing public safety and supporting recovery in the individual. Crosspoint intends to renovate and furnish a 12,000 square foot unit at an existing facility to create a 35-bed residential program dedicated to diverting male and female non-violent offenders with diagnosed behavioral health conditions from incarceration into supervised housing and treatment. This project has attracted contributions from multiple public and private entities to achieve a common purpose: strengthening our community, improving public safety, diverting offenders from the revolving door of incarceration and enabling these individuals to become more productive citizens and family members.

Community Corner — Fall Projects

In August, Crosspoint volunteers helped the Baptist Temple Church set up for its Resource Fair. During September, a large contingent of volunteers participated in a clean-up in the Windsor Oaks neighborhood. In October, Crosspoint volunteers stepped up for an emergency call to help in roof repairs to the Greater Faith Institutional Church.



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Client Spotlight – Eric Galindo



Eric Galindo was a resident at the Hall House Residential Reentry Program for six months in 2011. According to staff, Mr. Galindo was a model client whose family was clearly important to him. Mr. Galindo was also an active participant in Crosspoint’s Community Treatment Services (CTS) program. His CTS counselor Kristine Valdez stated, “He was a very positive influence for his peers in group sessions and was always focused on his job.” She further reported that Eric utilized his recovery skills to succeed in all that he did. While at Crosspoint, Mr. Galindo obtained employment at Express Lube as a Lube Technician. During the five years since his successful program completion, Eric has steadily moved up at Express Lube, serving today as their Director of Operations supervising over 30 store locations throughout the greater San Antonio area. Mr. Galindo has made great strides in other areas as well, especially in terms of his education. While incarcerated, Eric earned his Associates degree in Business from Ashworth College. During his time at Crosspoint he went back to school and earned a BA in Business from Texas A&M University-San Antonio, a MA in Organizational Development from The University of the Incarnate Word and is currently working on his PhD in Organizational Leadership at The University of the Incarnate Word. Mr. Galindo did so well under US Probation Supervision after leaving Crosspoint that he was released from supervision early. Eric continues to focus on work and education, but holds paramount the well-being of his wife and 3 children.

10th Annual Community Resource Fair

For the third year in a row, St. Philip’s College agreed to host Crosspoint’s Community Resource Fair in the Heritage Room on their campus. The college staff did an amazing job of working with Crosspoint staff to ensure that the event ran smoothly and was a positive experience for the 180 attendees. The fair featured representatives from 23 community service agencies that volunteered to help clients and their family members make contacts that could help them if problems arose in the future. The community service agencies presented information in vital issue areas such as substance abuse, education, legal aid, healthcare, food resources, domestic violence, and spiritual support and provided flu shots. Participants in this year’s fair came from Crosspoint, Lifetime Recovery, San Antonio Fighting Back and Chrysalis Ministries. The clients and their family members truly appreciated the compassion of the community members volunteering on a Saturday morning to help them in their journey toward restoration.



National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Walk 2016

On October 1st, a Crosspoint team consisting of 10 staff and family members participated in this 5K walk hosted by Morgan’s Wonderland. The NAMI walk was created to promote public support and awareness of the mental health challenges faced by our fellow citizens. There were many service providers, public officials and agencies represented at this important event. Everyone who participated experienced a true sense of community spirit through their involvement in this alliance. The goal was to raise \$100,000, of which \$99,023 was successfully pledged. Crosspoint proudly continues to advocate and provide core treatment services for our clients with behavioral health issues.

When we feel accepted, we are reintegrated. When we feel forgiveness, we are redeemed. When we feel whole, we are restored.