

January 2012

News from The Summit



Christmas Party

In December, Crosspoint's Mental Health Treatment Program (MHTP) hosted our 3rd annual Children's Christmas party in partnership with EUM Ministries. Crosspoint and EUM staff adopted families and generously provided gifts for the children. Over 100 children and parents participated in this holiday event. Professional basketball player David Jones provided souvenirs and a brief "shoot around" for the children who wanted to shoot hoops. The little ones were entertained by Christmas storytelling, a coloring contest and collage making. The older kids also benefited from a discussion about mentoring and an opportunity to express themselves in an open forum. SA Catering and EUM provided refreshments and dessert. The event concluded with the arrival of Santa who delighted the children by presenting them all with gifts.

Community Projects

The fourth quarter of 2011 saw increased activity in Crosspoint's ongoing effort to support and improve our neighborhoods. As word has spread of the eagerness of our residents to give back, a variety of projects have come our way. In December our residents were invited back to the Denver Heights Community Center to complete fall pruning and cleanup. One of our most memorable and appreciated projects took place in January when five residents provided critically needed labor and skills over two days to the renovation



of a church in preparation for Martin Luther King Day events. In every project, our residents have shown great enthusiasm for the work and self-satisfaction in being able to give back to our community.

New Board of Directors

Crosspoint is proud to announce that five new members have joined the 2012 Crosspoint Board of Directors. They represent five distinct board needs arising from the departure of five members who cycled off of the board in December 2011. All five new members played a significant role in the development of a three-year strategic plan in a professionally facilitated weekend session in January.

Steve Cruz is a Platinum Top 50 realtor with Keller Williams Legacy. He has significant board experience at the local, state and national level.

Louis F. Marquez is a retired Senior Supervisor for the United States Probation Office and has spent the last 15 years as an interpreter for the federal courts.

James E. McNamara is a retired educator and Eastside community leader who is the president of the Crestlake Homeowners Association.

Wade B. Shelton is an attorney and founding shareholder of Shelton & Valadez, Attorneys at Law. He is also a deacon at Shearer Hills Baptist Church. Chief Apostle/Bishop Rosa L. Wilson is



Pastor of the Greater Faith Institutional Church in District and an Eastside faith community leader who directs a number of outreach ministries.

Graduate of the Year

In January, Crosspoint will continue its tradition of recognizing sustained success in our clients' journey back into the community. At this year's annual luncheon, we are formally recognizing seven outstanding graduates of the year for their perseverance, tenacity and optimism in changing their lives. They are: Jorge Alfaro, Victor Gomez, Natalie Lopez, Mary Lutz, Charles Mayberry, Ronald Phillips and Nadine Silva. Whether this involves resolving basic but serious medical needs, lowering personal defenses to re-learn trust, or rebuilding family relationships, all of our graduates have shown great emotional resilience. Some of these graduates have demonstrated the ultimate in confidence and optimism by pursuing restoration of parental rights or building their families. All of the accomplishments of these seven graduates show how individual potential and effort coupled with professional guidance can result in personal success and a strengthened community.

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