

# Stanford Settlement Newswheel

Celebrating Over 80 Years of Service

# MISSION STATEMENT

Stanford Settlement Neighborhood Center helps build healthy communities through individual, family, and neighborhood services.

> STANFORD SETTLEMENT PROGRAMS

Teen Center

Children's Program

Senior Center

**Emergency Assistance** 

Community Development









Dear Friends,

First, we want to thank everyone who participated in our first-ever **Online Oktoberfest and Virtual Silent Auction** back in October. You helped us raise over \$27,000 for our programs and services! Thank you to all of our sponsors, donors, and special guests. Stay tuned for another fun event being planned for February!

We hope you had a great Thanksgiving, even though it might have looked different than past years. We missed being able to gather together with our seniors, teens, and children for a Thanksgiving meal this year. Thank you to **Vice Mayor Jeff Harris** for providing 200 turkeys for the community for Thanksgiving, which were distributed along with groceries to families in need.

As Christmas approaches, we are gearing up for Operation Cratchit, our annual Christmas basket program. The need is greater than ever this year, and hundreds of families have already registered to receive assistance. This year, Christmas baskets will be distributed using a drive-thru approach, to ensure the health and safety of all involved.

If you are interested in donating food, toys, or funds, more information can be found inside this newsletter. We will have a limited number of volunteers this year, and will be observing required safety protocols due to COVID-19. Give us a call for more information at 916-927-1303.

Finally, let's do all that we can to protect the health and safety of those we love as we celebrate the season. Let's be creative about our holiday traditions this year (or invent some new traditions!) while wearing masks and observing social distancing.

I wish you a Merry Christmas and here's to a healthy and happy new year for all!

With gratitude,

Julie Rhoten Executive Director

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

STANFORD SETTLEMENT PRESENTS:

## **OPERATION CRATCHIT 2020**

#### ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BASKET PROGRAM







#### WHO CAN HELP?

• ANYONE! INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, SCHOOLS, BUSINESSES, SORORITIES, FRATERNITIES, CHURCHES, SERVICE GROUPS, ETC..

#### WHAT DO WE NEED?

- NEW, UNWRAPPED TOYS AND GIFTS FOR CHILDREN, AND TEENS
- NEW CHRISTMAS WRAPPING PAPER
- NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS: CANNED OR PACKED FOODS
- CASH DONATIONS

#### **HOW CAN I HELP?**

- DONATE ONE OR MORE OF THE ITEMS LISTED ABOVE
- DONATE TOYS FROM THE AMAZON WISHLIST:
  - http://bit.ly/SSNCOperationCratchitGifts
- ORGANIZE YOUR OWN FOOD OR TOY DRIVE TO BENEFIT OPERATION CRATCHIT
- GIVE YOUR TIME OR TALENT BY VOLUNTEERING!







FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT WWW. STANFORDSETTLEMENT.ORG OR CALL 916-927-1303

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# **OUR AGENCY'S IMPACT**

You helped us make a difference in so many ways in 2019-2020!

- **COVID-19 and Emergency Assistance**: Since March 16, 2020, over 350 children, teens, seniors, and families received daily home visits, including delivery of meals and groceries, along with socioemotional support and crisis intervention during the stay-at-home mandate. At the holidays, at least 600 households will receive Christmas baskets with food and gifts.
- **Teen Center:** Over 140 teens experienced a sense of belonging through meaningful participation and connections with adult mentors. 95% of teen participants successfully completed their academic year. The agency partnered with the Pop-Up initiative sponsored by the City of Sacramento and Sierra Health Foundation.
- **Community Development**: Provided leadership in community discussions about helping homeless neighbors, safety along Northgate Blvd. and West El Camino Ave., lead efforts to share the #MaskUpSac messages with local Latino neighbors, and articulated support of #BlackLivesMatter.
- **Senior Center:** 200 seniors stayed connected and avoided isolation in spite of the COVID-19 stay-at-home mandate. This resulted in better overall health and increased ability for the seniors to "age-in-place," in the home of their choosing.
- **Children's Program:** Through After School Groups and Summer Day Camp, 130 children learned how to solve problems peacefully, increased critical thinking skills, learned to work together as a group, and developed empathy. Over 80% of children served met their program goals, resulting in more success at home and at school.

### #SACRAMENTOCOVIDRELIEF

Assistance is now here if you have been affected by COVID-19. From non-profits and other businesses to workers and families, a variety of resources are available to help you through this difficult time. Applications are currently being accepted so check out what you qualify for today. Resources include:

- Tenant-landlord mediation
- Housing assistance
- COVID-19 health information
- Youth programs
- Financial assistance
- Support for small businesses and non-profits
- Job training programs and more!

SacramentoCOVIDrelief.org is now available in several languages and availability is limited so check it out today. Despite the challenges of COVID-19, together we move forward.



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