



## ***Crisis House Connector***

### **May 2019 Newsletter**

### **Project Homeless Connect - East County**



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The most recent report on the state of homelessness released by Congress revealed that forty-eight percent (48%) of homeless individuals are unsheltered. This means that nearly half of all homeless individuals are sleeping in places not meant for human habitation. Many factors contribute to this staggering figure. However, the problem is intensified by the lack of accessible shelter options. In the state of California, we cannot shelter even fifty percent (50%) of the homeless population. In East San Diego County, we don't have the options that exist elsewhere. There are no safe parking lots, bridge shelters, or day centers. Many of the men and women experiencing homelessness here

need to access regular services before they can secure what little affordable housing is available. In such a competitive housing market, the chronically homeless population, might not be accepted by a landlord who perceives them to be a liability.

People who do not have their basic needs met are unlikely to transition out of homelessness successfully. For this group, being able to shower, change into clean clothes, and submit paperwork promptly is critical. That is why Crisis House provides these types of emergency services every day, and it is why we hosted last month's Project Homeless Connect. Project Homeless Connect was a huge success. The 203 attendees included 17 families with 33 children. These men, women, and children were able to access nearly 1,300 units of service over just four hours. What's more, this year was our biggest turn out of providers! Thank you to all of our providers!

Crisis House hosts Project Homeless Connect - East County with the support of our title sponsor Grossmont Healthcare District and a grant from the Cushman Foundation. We are so grateful for their support.

[\*\*Watch the video from KPBS here!\*\*](#)

## Host a Drive!



Often Crisis House sees a significant increase in donations during the holidays. While that generosity is so important for us, we also tend to see donations start to dry up in the summer months, but our clients need help all year long!

If you are looking for a way to give back this summer, we would love you to consider the members of the community who are experiencing homelessness or extreme poverty in our community. Crisis House is always in need of in-kind donations, like food, items for babies, and hygiene items. Consider getting a group of friends, family, or coworkers together to host a drive. Click on the attachments below to see what items Crisis House needs. Thank you in advance for thinking of us!

[Hygiene Drive Items](#)

[Baby Drive Items](#)

[Food drive Items](#)

## Thank You to the Copley Foundation!



On behalf of the Crisis House Board of Directors, staff members, volunteers, and clients, we are proud to announce that we have been chosen as the recipient of a grant from The Copley Foundation. We cannot wait to share all the amazing things that we will be able to accomplish with their support!

## Thank You to Women Give San Diego!



On behalf of the Crisis House Board of Directors, staff members, volunteers, and clients, we are proud to announce that we have been chosen as the recipient of a grant from Women Give San Diego. Women Give San Diego is a non-profit organization that funds programs that help women and girls of San Diego achieve economic self-sufficiency. Women Give is helping Crisis House to support the single mothers by giving them the tools they need to gain the self-confidence required for living independently. For many of these women, their time at Crisis House is their first opportunity to be gainfully employed and the decision-maker for their household.

We cannot wait to share all the fantastic things that are moms will be able to accomplish with their support!

## Thank You to the India Phillips Foundation



Crisis House is so grateful to the India Phillips Foundation for caring about those experiencing food insecurity by helping us replace our freezer. Crisis House gives out meals to people in crisis Monday - Friday. We partner with Kitchens for Good to provide balanced healthy meals. If you are experiencing a crisis call or stop in from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

#endhunger #endhomelessness #endchronichomelessness #spreadthelove

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