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2018 - 2019 The Annual Report



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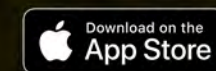
The HOPE Collaborative is the name given to Riverside County's official Child Abuse Prevention Council. As the name indicates, it is indeed the collaborative efforts of the strong and competent organizations, the caring leadership, the county's most impressive list of community non-profits and volunteers that have enabled the HOPE Collaborative to be demonstrably effective in its efforts. The many of us who are involved in child welfare issues are very sadly aware that, in spite of our collective best efforts, child abuse and neglect continued to happen in our county over the past year. From every tragic case, we have remained determined to learn new/specific/effective lessons about what our Collaboratives could/can possibly do to prevent any such things from happening again. Each year the HOPE Collaborative partners attempt to redouble focus on encouraging neighbors, friends, teachers and the community at-large to report any suspicions about any type of abuse or neglect that they suspect might be happening to a child. The HOPE Collaborative has enhanced all efforts to educate the very large Riverside County geographic community about the means by which they can anonymously report suspected abuses and by which they might be thus saving a child's life.

We are very aware that any organizational effort to prevent child abuse must take into consideration the risk factors for abuse and must tailor prevention strategies accordingly. For example: The sad knowledge that children of all ages experience abuse, but that the youngest children are most vulnerable, helps us to focus a large amount of our efforts on families with young children. Knowing which children are most vulnerable for sex-trafficking or for being exploited helps us to focus specific efforts on their behalf, too.

It is a daunting travesty that most often the perpetrators of child abuse and neglect are the very people that are responsible for the child's safety and well-being (including parents, other relatives, and babysitters). Thus, it continues to be that the best-known strategies for child abuse prevention are to support families themselves and to provide parents/caregivers with the skills and the resources that they need! HOPE and all of its Collaborative Partners throughout Riverside County have used every means and every venue possible throughout this past year to strengthen, educate and assist the families of our communities.

The Annual Report that we are submitting here for fiscal year 2018-2019, showcases some of the highlights of HOPE's unique efforts and also showcases some of HOPE's Collaborative Partnership efforts throughout the past year. This Annual Report is submitted with sincere gratitude to the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) for allowing the HOPE Collaborative to work under their informed oversight and for allowing HOPE to assist their far-reaching plans for preventing child abuse and neglect throughout Riverside County.

Carla Lidner Baum, DDS, MS
Board Chair 2018-2019 Fiscal Year



Mission and Vision

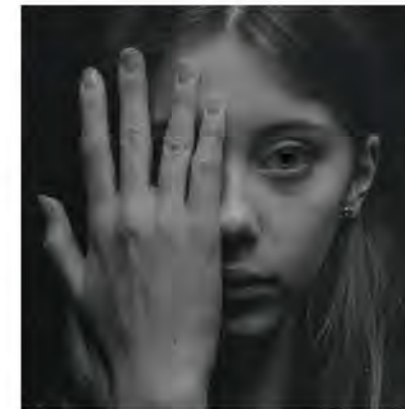
The HOPE (Healing, Outreach, Prevention, Education) Collaborative is the designated Child Abuse Prevention Council for Riverside County.

Mission

The mission of the HOPE Collaborative is to promote the safety of children and to prevent abuse and neglect in Riverside County. This mission is accomplished through the coordination and facilitation of interagency collaboration; efforts to raise community awareness; education and training of professionals, parents, and the community; services to child abuse victims and families impacted by abuse and neglect; and advocacy efforts influencing public policy.

Vision

Riverside County HOPE Collaborative members contribute to a shared vision of a safe and secure environment for all children in Riverside County. The HOPE Collaborative's guiding principles contain a desire to bring together all agencies and individuals who are passionate about strengthening families, keeping children safe and collaboratively creating a bright future for families and children in Riverside County. Together we work to prevent child abuse by focusing on the strengths and resources of our communities and families, and by building on those assets to address current issues and concerns. Our vision will always remain focused on building a better future for our most vulnerable children.



Statistics on Child Abuse and Neglect Riverside County 2018

- * Total Incidents Reported
- * Incidents Substantiated



These numbers reflect data pulled from the California Child Welfare Indicators Project from the University of California, Berkeley on 7/11/19

Board of Directors

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HOPE Collaborative Board

The HOPE Collaborative is governed by a Board of Directors composed of key representatives from public and private agencies who are actively involved in keeping children safe, investigating and prosecuting intentional harm of a child, and supporting parents and children throughout Riverside County.

The HOPE Collaborative Board is comprised of representatives that follow WIC Code 18982.1, including: public child and welfare services, the criminal justice system, prevention and treatment services, and community representatives, as well as from the seven regional collaborative councils, located throughout the five Riverside County Supervisorial Districts. The chairperson from each regional collaborative council provides a voice and feedback to the board on the child abuse prevention needs specific to their respective district in order to address regional needs. The Board also functions as the official Riverside County Child Abuse Prevention Council (CAPC) and is led by four Executive Committee Officers: president, vice president, treasurer and secretary. Both the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee meet on a bi-monthly basis.

Regional Collaborative Councils

The HOPE Collaborative established six regional collaborative councils in the first year it was appointed as the CAPC (Child Abuse Prevention Council) for Riverside County (FY 2013/2014); one in each of the five Supervisorial Districts, and one in the community of Blythe. In the year 2016/2017, due to the diverse population and needs within District 3 communities, a seventh regional collaborative council was established to cover the Hemet/San Jacinto community. All seven councils have been maintained and led by dedicated community leaders who work to address the diverse and specific needs within their respective communities. Volunteerism is critical for the regional collaborative councils and the overall HOPE Collaborative. With coordinated efforts toward a shared vision of a safe and secure environment for all children in Riverside County, this year there was total of 929 hours of active volunteer participation at regional collaborative meetings. During this fiscal year there were 77 volunteer partner agencies attending regional collaborative meetings throughout Riverside County.

Collaborative Testimonials

Three years ago, I attended a conference hosted by the Department of Public and Social Services addressing Foster Youth in our county. During the presentation, data was presented on the rate of Child Abuse in Riverside County which was alarming to me. Members from HOPE Collaborative were present and they provided me with information on The HOPE program. Since the HOPE Collaborative addresses issues related to the safety of children, I decided to get involved because I have always worked with and been passionate about teens, and I view myself as an advocate for them. I believe that together if we can make positive changes in the life of one family, we have accomplished the mission of the program. After attending the monthly meetings, I realized that I wanted to be more involved. I wanted to ensure that other agencies that I have worked with and other community agencies working with children and teens knew about the HOPE Collaborative and its mission. I also wanted to be involved in issues facing my community. Last year I accepted the position as Chair for District 5. Our goal is "closing the gap on the whole family by providing resources to prevent child abuse". - **Camelia Wilson, RN - District Chair**





District 1 (D1)

Focus Area: Strengthening Families to Improve Community Engagement Through Preventative Measures.



District 1 Regional Collaborative

Members fulfilled their area of focus by coordinating and participating in community events that were geared toward strengthening families to improve community engagement through preventative measures. District 1 hosted their first Holiday Event. The event was intended to provide a safe space for families to obtain educational resources, take holiday pictures, engage with their children doing crafts, and having dinner together. Service providers had the opportunity to engage with the community and provide information for supportive services that strengthen families.

The District 1 Collaborative members utilized some of their allotted funds to support:

- Their Holiday Event on December 7, 2019 in Riverside reaching 39 individuals and targeting low income families in the D1 community.
- #YOUMATTER, a community event focused on several prevention topics such as; child abuse, suicide, and human trafficking, etc., occurred in Riverside on April 13, 2019, reaching 77 children/teens, targeting families in the D1 community.
- You Are Enough Community Walk event held on May 4, 2019 in Riverside reaching 32 individuals targeting students and families in the D1 community.
- Children's Mental Health Fair in Riverside on May 9, 2019, reaching 53 individuals and targeting children and families in the D1 community.

HOPE obtained the following honorary recognition certificate on behalf of District 1 collaborative efforts:

- California Legislature Assembly Certificate of Recognition to District 1 HOPE Regional Collaborative in honor of "School is Cool" Backpack Giveaway and Resource Fair



District 2 (D2)

Focus Area: At risk youth with priority for foster kinship, LGBTQ, and homeless youth



District 2 Regional Collaborative

Members fulfilled their area focus by coordinating and participating in community events geared toward providing educational resources for at risk youth. District 2 co-hosted an event with Blue Ribbons for Noah; Noah McIntosh was the young victim of child abuse who met a tragic end in Corona. The event was coordinated by District 2 community members, Riverside University Health System Behavioral Health, Corona-Norco United Way and HOPE Collaborative. The event included educational resources, debriefing, and community engagement. District 2 also co-hosted "From Darkness to Light" with Corona-Norco Unified School District, the event was geared towards ending abuse and supporting LGBTQ teens. Ami Davis spoke to youth and support staff. She provided tools to help support LGBTQ teens in difficult situations.

The D2 Collaborative members utilized some of their allotted funds to support:

- Domestic Violence workshop series in Corona reaching 75 children, targeting domestic violence victims.
- Corona-Norco Day of the Child Event in Corona on April 27, 2019 reaching 83 individuals, targeting families in the D2 community.
- Blue Ribbons for Noah in Corona on May 18, 2019, reaching 31 individuals, targeting families in the D2 community.
- "From Darkness to Light" in Corona on June 7, 2019, reaching 40 individuals and targeting LGBTQ youth and the D2 community.





District 3 (D3)

Focus Area: At Risk Youth



District 3 Regional Collaborative

Members fulfilled their area of focus by participating in several events throughout the year. District 3 co-hosted the Social and Emotional Supports Fair with Murrieta Valley Unified School District. This event provided resources to families and educational workshops on the topics of Human Trafficking, The Six Protective Factors, and Suicide Prevention. District 3 also co-hosted a Community Resource Fair with Temecula Valley Unified School District. This was the first Community Resource Fair that Temecula held. This event focused on bringing the community mental health, counseling and many other valuable resources. District 3 Collaborative strategized their outreach material to target youth via brochures on social media safety and by printing of crisis hotline information on notepads.

The D3 Collaborative members utilized some of their allotted funds to support:

- The Social and Emotional Supports Fair on February 13, 2019 in Murrieta reaching 152 individuals and targeting families in need of social and emotional supports.
- The Community Resource Fair on May 20, 2019 in Temecula, reaching 154 individuals, and targeting families within D3 region.
- Sponsorship of books for Day of the Young Child on April 26, 2019 in Temecula reaching 56 individuals targeting children and families.
- Giveaway for the Pinwheels for Prevention Program, a program focusing on child abuse awareness through the creation of pinwheels with children.



District 3B (D3B)

Focus Area: At Risk Youth

District 3B Regional Collaborative

Members fulfilled their area of focus by participating in several activities throughout the year. District 3B co-hosted Day of the Young Child event with The Consortium of Early Learning Services, First 5, and Mt. San Jacinto Community College. The event focused on bringing awareness of resources available within district 3B region. There was a total of 47 vendors sharing valuable resources such as therapeutic services, health, nutrition, childcare and many more valuable resources. Overall, the event had a good turn out with a total of 843 families attending and receiving these valuable resources. This event was a success in that this region has been identified in county-wide efforts of the System Improvement Plan as an area of need to bring awareness of child maltreatment prevention services and resources.

The D3B collaborative members utilized some of their allotted funds to support:

- Day of the Young Child on April 6, 2019 in San Jacinto reaching 167 individuals, targeting the surrounding communities of San Jacinto.
- Sponsorship for Comeback Kids (CBK) Prom, the CBK program focuses on youth who have fallen through the cracks and gives them an opportunity to continue their education.
- Sponsorship San Jacinto Foster Youth scholarship; two foster youth received scholarships for college.
- Coping bags for sexually exploited youth served through the Resilient Brave Youth Program.



Focus Area: Increase Community Awareness of Child Abuse Prevention and Neglect, Gather and Provide Available Resources to Strengthen Families and Keep Children Safe.



District 4 Regional Collaborative

Hosted a community resource event, "Family Fun Day!" in collaboration with Barbara Sinatra Children's Center. This event brought over 20 vendors together to bring awareness of resources, these included legal aid assistance, child abuse prevention, and in-home positive parenting classes. This event also provided a video workshop called The Protect Yourself Rules. The workshop informed parents about child abuse prevention, bullying, and the topic of safe touch. Entertainment was provided by locals such as Valerie Mahabir Academy of Ballet and Performing Arts, Rancho Mirage High School Jazz Ensemble, and Indio High School Choir. Telemundo 15 and Alpha Media were also able to show their support by broadcasting and promoting this community resource event to the surrounding communities. Resources were provided through the various vendors, bringing awareness to the community, and strengthening them through resources provided through programs and free services.

The D4 Collaborative members utilized some of their allocated funds to support:

- Giveaway items for Day of the Young Child Events on March 9, 2019 in Coachella, La Quinta, and Cathedral City reaching 442 individuals and targeting families within D4 region.
- Family Fun Day! event on May 18, 2019 at Barbara Sinatra Children's Center in Rancho Mirage reaching 49 individuals and targeting low-income families.

District 4B (D4B)

Focus Area: Family Violence Awareness and Education



District 4B Regional Collaborative

Members fulfilled their area of focus by dispersing educational material on the topic of domestic violence to bring awareness of the impact domestic violence has on child abuse. Due to the amount of fatalities or injuries that occur from water-related injuries in Blythe, District 4B felt the need to address these issues. District 4B sponsored the Water Safety Extravaganza event, to promote summer child safety by providing education to prevent heat and water-related death and injuries. Families received information on domestic violence, child abuse and HOPE staff used the educational dolls to bring awareness of the Shaken Baby Syndrome, alcohol and drug-affected babies. District 4B also hosted a Water Safety Training to inform parents of the importance of water safety. Individuals received tips for water safety, preventative information, maltreatment prevention services and resources. Giveaways of life jackets were provided to 16 children.

District 4B Collaborative members utilized some of their allocated funds to support:

- Sponsorship Water Safety Extravaganza on June 22, 2019 in Blythe reaching 125 individuals and targeting children and families surrounding D4B communities.
- Sponsorship of Swimming lessons through the Police Activities League in Blythe provided a total of 15 children swimming lessons.
- Water Safety Training on May 10, 2019 in Blythe reaching 40 individuals and targeting families from the D4B community.

District 4B received a Certificate of Recognition on behalf of Riverside County Probation for their dedication and support of the 9th Annual Water Safety Extravaganza.



Focus area: Closing the Gap on the Whole Family, Providing Resources to Prevent Child Abuse.



District 5 Regional Collaborative

District 5 Collaborative hosted a community resource event, "Family Fun Day!" in collaboration with Moreno Valley Unified School District Wellness Center. District 5 fulfilled their area of focus by bringing in the Fatherhood Initiative to present a workshop, bringing in Success Academy to provide tutorials primarily focusing on single fathers and mothers who might not know or have the time to do hairstyles on their children, and lastly having multiple vendors providing resources to the community. The Fatherhood Initiative workshop informed parents about the importance of time management when it comes to making time for their children and family, along with tips as to how to make time when there is no time. There were performances by the Valley View High School Choir. Salon Success Academy provided free haircuts to the community and free tutorials for all who were interested in doing simple hair up-do's. This event brought many valuable resources and services to the families in attendance.

The D5 Collaborative members utilized some of their allocated funds to support:

- Toys and Opportunity Drawings for Community Health Systems, Inc. event on December 8, 2018 in Moreno Valley
- Sponsorship for the Oasis Community Church Health & Resource Fair on March 23, 2019 in Moreno Valley reaching 47 individuals and targeting low-income families.
- Family Fun Day! event on May 17, 2019 at Creekside Elementary School in Moreno Valley reaching 78 people and targeting, low-income families.



Children's Conference

This year's children's conference kicked off the month-long Child Abuse Awareness Month campaign. The 46th Annual Children's Conference was held at the Riverside Convention Center with the theme, "HOPE Collaborative Presents: A Community Conversation about Child Abuse." This year's conference featured two keynote speakers, Jennifer Jones and Teri Covington. It also featured a panel of speakers that consisted of DPSS intake specialist, DPSS social worker, mental health, medical, educational and law enforcement professionals. There was also a "lived-experience" panel with two professionals sharing their personal experiences in overcoming their own obstacles going through the system, and lastly, there was also a presentation by a Licensed Clinical Social Worker on the topic of Cultural Factors. Due to the recent tragedy that occurred in Corona of a young 8-year-old boy who disappeared, HOPE felt the need to support the county-wide efforts by providing blue ribbons in honor of Noah McIntosh. Overall, the conference and the presentations received great evaluation scores and feedback from those in attendance.

Jennifer Jones

Jennifer, currently serves as the Director of the Change in Mind (CiM) Institute at the Alliance for Strong Families and Communities. Through continuous innovation and alignment of practice and policy with knowledge, research and evidence on how the brain develops, the CiM Institute aims to enhance the skills and capacities we all need to be healthy, happy and contributing citizens. Prior to the Alliance, Jones was the Associate Director of the Wisconsin Children's Trust Fund and led the agency's efforts on Adverse Childhood Experiences



Teri Covington

Teri is the Director of Within Our Reach at the Alliance for Strong Families and Communities funded by Casey Family Programs. She is working to advance policy and practice recommendations at the federal and state levels from National Commission to Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities. Teri managed child fatality review systems for 25 years, which included 15 years as Director of National Center for Fatality review and Prevention, a federal resource center supporting states communities in conducting quality fatality reviews of children to improve child and family health and safety outcomes.



Mandated Reporter Training (MRT)

It is the goal of HOPE to provide education to individuals and professionals to heighten awareness and increase the reporting of child abuse and neglect. By educating what is reportable, it is expected that necessary reports will be made and intervention for children in need will occur. First time and refresher trainings are provided in English and in Spanish. Examples given throughout training are tailored to match the needs and specific professions of the audience (e.g., mental health, law enforcement, parents, child-development teachers, etc.). This year, HOPE staff facilitated a total of 25 Mandated Reporter Trainings and reached a total of 615 individuals.

LOCATION - DATE - ATTENDANCE - SUPERVISORAL DISTRICT																			
Riverside, CA	- 08/03/18	- 42	- D1	Riverside, CA	- 02/01/19	- 6	- D1	Riverside, CA	- 08/06/18	- 37	- D1	Moreno Valley, CA	- 02/07/19	- 1	- D5				
Riverside, CA	- 08/14/18	- 55	- D3	Riverside, CA	- 02/20/19	- 6	- D1	Temecula, CA	- 08/15/18	- 5	- D1	Thermal, CA	- 03/13/19	- 9	- D4	Riverside, CA	- 08/21/18	- 38	- D1
Riverside, CA	- 08/22/18	- 25	- D3	Riverside, CA	- 04/29/19	- 7	- D1	Murrieta, CA	- 08/22/18	- 25	- D3	Eastvale, CA	- 05/01/19	- 34	- D2	Moreno Valley, CA	- 09/24/18	- 11	- D5
Riverside, CA	- 10/08/18	- 4	- D1	Riverside, CA	- 05/18/19	- 144	- D1	Corona, CA	- 10/19/18	- 24	- D2	Riverside, CA	- 05/23/19	- 7	- D1	Blythe, CA	- 10/24/18	- 8	- D4
Riverside, CA	- 11/08/18	- 23	- D1	Palm Springs, CA	- 06/01/19	- 20	- D4	Riverside, CA	- 11/08/18	- 21	- D1	Palm Springs, CA	- 06/05/19	- 43	- D4	Riverside, CA	- 11/08/18	- 21	- D1
Palm Desert, CA	- 11/14/18	- 7	- D4	Riverside, CA	- 06/15/19	- 8	- D1	Riverside, CA	- 11/08/18	- 21	- D1	Blythe, CA	- 06/20/19	- 29	- D4				
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Types of Professionals Receiving MRT																			
AG	FBO	LE	CBP	SEP	OP	EP	FP/PP	MP	V	MHP	CE								
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<small>AG=Advocacy group, FBO= Faith Based Organization, LE=Law Enforcement, CBP=Community Based Partners, SEP=Specialized Educational Professionals, OP=Other Professional, EP=Educational Personnel, FP/PP=Foster Parent/Parent Partners, MP= Medical Professionals, V= Volunteers, MHP=Mental Health Professionals & Interns, CE= Community Employees</small>																			
Educational workshops per district total 22 workshops 902 individuals reached																			
TOTAL	TOPIC	NUMBER	SUPERVISORAL DISTRICT HELD																
902	Internet Safety	8	District 1 (D1)	1															
	Bullying	8	District 2 (D2)	9															
	6 Protective Factors	1	District 3 (D3)	3															
	What Is Child Abuse?	4	District 4 (D4)	5															
	Knowing & Understanding...CA	1	District 5 (D5)	4															



Educational Workshops

In FY 2016/17, HOPE initiated educational workshops and trainings on topics that are directly related to child abuse. Given the amount of requests for educational workshops, HOPE has continued making them available. All workshops are tailored to the specific audience and are made available upon requests to professionals, parents, caregivers, and children. This year, a total of 22 workshops were conducted reaching 902 individuals.

Topics Presented On Included:

- Bullying
- Internet Safety
- What is Child Abuse
- Cyber Bullying
- Six Protective Factors
- Knowing & Understanding the Long-Term Effects Of Child Abuse

Family Resource Centers

This year, HOPE partnered with the Riverside County Family Resource Centers. HOPE staff held one event per quarter at each of the Family Resource Centers in Perris, Desert Hot Springs, Mecca, Rubidoux, and Mead Valley. The educational workshops were on topics related to child abuse prevention such as Internet Safety, What is Child Abuse, Human Trafficking, Parental Resiliency, Punishment vs. Discipline, and Gang Awareness. Other events consisted of a resource event and a mini-conference covering topics of What is Child Sexual Abuse, Human Trafficking, and Cyberbullying. There was a total of 314 individuals reached through these events across Riverside County.

Community Outreach

Community Engagement is a key component of the HOPE Collaborative. Staff are able to gather feedback from individuals throughout Riverside County on issues and trends. Staff also provide educational and preventative information, linkages, and referrals. This year, a total of 52 community events were attended throughout Riverside County. HOPE staff extended their reach by identifying and attending community events that occurred throughout all Supervisorial Districts of Riverside County. A total of 4,365 individuals were provided with outreach materials, and 1,462 individuals signed up to receive additional information, linkages or referrals.

District 1	17	District 2	10
District 3	8	District 4	4
District 5	13	Total:	52

Community Survey & Trends

During the month of April in support of the month-long April Child Abuse Awareness campaign, HOPE conducted a survey at all outreach events. The survey was intended to assess the community's knowledge of the four categories of abuse: emotional, physical, sexual and neglect. There was a total of 76 event attendees who participated in this survey. Of these 76 participants, 26% identified all categories, 41% identified three categories, 30% identified two categories and 3% identified one category. Through the survey, HOPE staff were able to observe and note several trends. One of the trends was that many individuals identified physical abuse as the only form of abuse, with individuals identifying only different types of physical abuse such as hitting, kicking, pinching, etc. Another trend was that many individuals had difficulty identifying emotional and neglect as forms of child abuse. HOPE staff noted that although some individuals did not know each category of abuse however, they were able to provide examples of the different categories. HOPE staff also observed that several participants had an understanding that sexual abuse was independent from child abuse. It was also observed that participants would get uncomfortable with the topic of sexual abuse and would change the subject or walk away.

Pledges

During the month of April, HOPE staff also conducted a pledge, "Stand Up for Children" across all outreach events. The pledge stated "Every child is special and needs our care and protection. Wear this pin to show that you stand up for children and will do your part to put an end to child abuse forever." Participants were asked to make a pledge to "Stand Up for Children" and in exchange they received a pin to wear. Across eight events, a total of 258 pledges were collected for an average of thirty-two pledges per event.

Public Awareness Campaigns

The HOPE Collaborative annually runs two focused public awareness campaigns to enhance its child abuse prevention efforts. During the month of October HOPE launched the “Speak Up” Fall campaign. This campaign focused on raising awareness and educating adolescents about child abuse, what to do should a peer experience abuse, and/or if they are concerned for the well-being of a peer and how to report. HOPE made T-shirts with the phrase, “Your courage to SPEAK UP might make you a hero. #StopChildAbuse.” A total of 500 shirts were handed out to adolescents in efforts to bring awareness of child abuse. Social media was also a component of this campaign since this media is significantly used by today’s youth.



During the month of April, HOPE joined the national campaign, “April is Child Abuse Prevention Month.” This year’s children’s conference kicked off the April campaign. At the closing of the conference, HOPE felt the need to support countywide efforts by providing ribbons in honor of Noah McIntosh the young 8-year-old boy whose tragic disappearance in Corona has sparked abuse prevention dialogue. Other components of the campaign included attendance at outreach events where a pledge to “Stand Up for Children” was conducted and a survey was collected at all outreach events during the month of April.

With April being the National Child Abuse Prevention Month, HOPE also supported the statewide efforts by holding a flag memorial on Friday, April 26, 2019. HOPE staff collected pledges to “Stand Up for Children” to prevent child abuse. HOPE staff raised the Children’s Memorial Flag and held a moment of silence to commemorate the lives of children who tragically passed away due to senseless acts of violence.



Media

District 4 Collaborative was able to get media assistance in advertising their hosted event “Family Fun Day.” Two media providers were able to provide assistance in broadcasting this event throughout the D4 communities. Alpha Media released a media announcement on Sunday, May 12, 2019 at 6 a.m. This media announcement targeted at risk children and families and reached about 200 households. The second media announcement was released by Noticiero Telemundo 15 on Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 6 p.m. This media announcement targeted at risk children and families surrounding the District 4 region and reached a total of 2,786 households. These media announcements were complimentary on behalf of Alpha Media and Noticiero Telemundo 15. In efforts to publicize this year’s Children’s Conference, a digital billboard by Lamar Advertising Company broadcast this event. The digital billboard was displayed across six different locations throughout Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. The digital billboard displayed for about two to three days at a time between the dates of February 28, 2019 to March 31, 2019, with one running six days between March 25-31, 2019. The six digital displays were compliments of Lamar Advertising Company and played for a total of 2,953 times from February 28 to March 31, 2019.

HOPE for the Holidays

This was the fifth year HOPE held the “HOPE for the Holidays” toy drive benefiting foster youth. The toy drive was a success through the generosity of the Community Improvement Designation (CID) funds received from District 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5. HOPE also received support through the Riverside Sheriff’s Association, The Friends Club from Eddie Dee Smith Senior Center, Blythe Energy, and community members who donated toys and other items. HOPE staff coordinated with DPSS regional managers and social workers to identify the foster youth who would benefit from these gifts this year, HOPE obtained one of the largest numbers of identified foster youth, a total of 1,292 youth were provided with gifts. Through this annual toy drive, HOPE was able to raise a total of \$10,835.84.

Regional Appreciation Luncheon

HOPE hosted a Regional Collaborative Appreciation Luncheon on June 7, 2019 at the James A. Venable Community Center in Cabazon. HOPE felt the need to thank all collaborative members for their ongoing support throughout this fiscal year. HOPE took this opportunity to recognize individuals in Riverside County who have gone above and beyond for the safety and well-being of children, a total of eleven individuals received an award for being Child and Family Advocates of the Year.



DONOR RECOGNITION

My Stuff Bags Foundation	\$33,000.00
Community Improvement Designation Funds	\$6,500.00
HOPE for the Holidays Toy Donations (Various Donors)	\$3,545.84
Riverside Sheriff's Association	\$1,000.00
City of Blythe City Hall	\$900.00
Blythe Energy	\$500.00
San Jacinto Unified School District	\$488.30
Picaboo	\$250.00
Miramonte Winery	\$190.00
United Way	\$171.36
Pechanga Casino & Restaurant	\$150.00
Pacific Park-Santa Monica Pier	\$132.00
Riverside County Treasurer	\$90.00
Hollywood Wax Museum	\$87.96
Emerald Isle Golf Course	\$80.00
Discovery Cube	\$75.00
The Broad Museum	\$72.00
Mulligan Family Fun Center	\$72.00
Callaway Vineyard & Winery	\$70.00
Santa Ana Zoo	\$48.00
Wilson Creek Winery	\$40.00
BJ's Restaurant	\$25.00
Chili's Restaurant	\$20.00

For more information on becoming a donor or making a donation please visit us at: www.hopecollaborative.org/donate

The HOPE Collaborative would like to THANK all the staff, volunteers, and community members for their ongoing support of the Child Abuse Prevention Council for Riverside County.

County Children's Trust Fund

In 1983, the State Legislature passed Assembly Bill 2994 which established the County Children's Trust Fund (CCTF). The purpose of the CCTF is to support child abuse prevention services in the community and to fund child abuse prevention coordinating councils (CAPCs), along with intervention programs operated by private nonprofit organizations or public institutions of higher education, with recognized expertise in fields related to child welfare. Since 2013, Family Service Association has received funding by the CCTF for HOPE Collaborative, the Child Abuse Prevention Council for Riverside County. In FY 2018/19 the CCTF only funded the CAPC HOPE Collaborative with a total of \$568,037.00.

Trust Fund Revenue balance before expenditures as of 6/30/19 (including CBCAP)	\$ 2, 149, 720.68
Children's Trust Fund balance as of 6/30/19 (excluding CBCAP)	\$ 1, 580, 315.68
CBCAP balance as of 6/30/19	\$ 107,289.65
Remaining Trust Fund Balance as of 6/30/19 (including CBCAP)	\$ 1, 687,605.33

Contract Outcomes and Targets

[W & IC 18982.] A child abuse prevention coordinating council is a community council whose primary purpose is to coordinate the community's efforts to prevent and respond to child abuse. The HOPE Collaborative's Mission encompasses the requirement of this section of the California Department of Social Services Welfare Institutions Code (W & IC). The coordinated effort of the countywide HOPE Board and regional collaborative councils ensures that county-wide efforts are flexible, responsive to the community need aligned with the CAPC (Child Abuse Prevention Council) goals. The HOPE Collaborative will focus on four key approaches in the prevention of child abuse: Community Connections, Public Awareness, Trainings, and Capacity Building. Efforts made under these four approaches will allow for meeting CAPC W& IC requirements, HOPE contract targets, and will support the Riverside County Department of Social Services (DPSS) System Improvement Plan.

APPROACHES	STRATEGIES
COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community assessments/forums • Participate in Riverside County's Self-assessment (as applicable) • Maintain and coordinate seven regional collaborative councils. • Hold bi-monthly multidisciplinary team meetings (HOPE Board meetings) • Assist with the Community Partners Forum • Network with providers in the community to facilitate/coordinate ongoing family strengthening services, based on community needs, at the Family Resource centers. • Map and strengthen a comprehensive, accessible, unified network of sustainable family-support organizations. • Expanding collaborative participation by 10%, advancing innovative partnerships that increase and influence prevention funds
PUBLIC AWARENESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain and upkeep the HOPE Collaborative/ Riverside County CAPC website, that provides information to the public, Board of Supervisors and DPSS • HOPE will complete an annual report, which highlights all of its efforts and achievements throughout the year. • Participate in community events throughout all Supervisorial Districts, to distribute materials related to the prevention of child maltreatment (materials will be culturally and language appropriate) • Maintain HOPE Collaborative social media accounts (e.g., Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook) where information related to the prevention of child abuse maltreatment is shared. • Coordinate quarterly resource fairs at each of the five Riverside County Family Resource Centers
TRAININGS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitate a minimum of 24 Mandated Reporter Trainings
CAPACITY BUILDING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain a broad base of volunteers • Utilize grant writing, fundraising, and other revenue-generating strategies to provide additional strategic initiatives (in addition to contracted requirements) • Obtain and coordinate in-kind goods



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