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News from The Summit

Vision Statement

Crosspoint strives to be the model of personal and community restoration

Behavioral Health Diversion Unit Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

On June 14, Crosspoint's Community Relations Board hosted nearly 100 community members for the ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the completion of Crosspoint's new 12,000 square foot Behavioral Health Diversion Unit. Guest speakers were Criminal District Attorney Nico La Hood and Bexar County Judge Nelson Wolff. This ceremony marked the completion of a planning effort that began in 2014. Crosspoint leadership and the board of directors forged a strategy that incorporated guidance from Bexar County Judicial Services, the Department of Behavioral and Mental Health, Bexar County Sheriff's Office and other experts. During the ceremony, the 23 contractors who worked on the renovation were honored for donating \$130,000 of their project labor.

As soon as sufficient operating funds are in place, this program will serve male and female non-violent offenders with behavioral health conditions diverted from incarceration. Typically, these individuals are denied bond and remain incarcerated only because their untreated behavioral health issues make it unlikely they will return to court. The availability of community-based residential care in lieu of jail time has the potential to substantially reduce both recidivism and the costs associated with incarceration while increasing public safety and supporting recovery in the individual.



Bibliotech



Thanks to the initiative by Bexar County Judge Nelson Wolff, Crosspoint will receive a donation of 20 e-readers with which our residents will be able to access Bibliotech. This online library operated by Bexar County contains over 43,000 electronic books and its website gives clients access online to a variety of adult education tools, employment resources and self-help resources.

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Leadership Luncheon Symposium
August 24th at 11:30 am
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The Faith Team



A small group of Crosspoint leaders have come together in an effort to ensure our residents and their family members have access to faith-based services to help them on the path to personal restoration. While a number of staff members have stepped up to support these services, the primary leadership group is comprised of Ray Rodriguez, Josie Rodriguez, Veronica Solis and Rose Santillan. Every Sunday, this band of volunteers oversees Word of Faith Ministry services at The Summit's Cheever Chapel for any client agency-wide and members of their family. They also participate in True Vine Ministry bible study classes at Alvarez House for our female residents. Other faith-based activities include quarterly Night of Worship services by Brazen Grace Fellowship Ministry and inspirational events such as College Night of Worship by Moment of Truth Ministries for college students and Christian comedian Philip Hicks.

Texas Serves

On June 27, 2017, the Texas Serves website was formally launched. Managed by the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) and funded by Walmart Corporation, the website will operate as a platform for providers of Veterans services and Veterans to connect with each other and ensure Veterans are able to access needed services. Crosspoint's Outpatient Veterans and Family Counseling and our residential Health Care for Homeless Veterans programs are both listed on the website, making it easier for Veterans throughout San Antonio to access our services.



Community Corner - East Side Clean-Up Initiative Continues

On May 13th, 11 residents and staff volunteered to clear several areas of the 700 block of S. Pine. Then on June 9th, 12 residents and staff tackled the New Braunfels Corridor. Both of these projects included tree trimming and trash removal. This ongoing district initiative serves to restore the area, maintain personal investment in our community and increase law enforcement visibility. Crosspoint volunteers worked alongside other community neighbors and in spite of the early Summer heat, they were more than happy to participate in an effort that will make our streets safer!

On July 8th, 17 residents and staff assisted Pastor Ben Alexander at New Way Bible Fellowship Church on WW White Road by refreshing the wood paneling throughout the chapel and cafeteria. The church provided live music throughout the project to inspire the participants. This volunteer project was greatly appreciated by the pastor and congregation. Thank you to Lowes for donating the Murphy's Wood Soap and other cleaning supplies used to accomplish this task.

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