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News from The Summit

Vision Statement

Crosspoint strives to be the model of personal and community restoration

55th Annual Community Restoration Luncheon

This year's Community Restoration Luncheon was a rousing success with almost 300 friends, stakeholders and community leaders in attendance at the Pearl Stable. The event theme was "Lighting the Path to Restoration" as a way to honor all of those citizens who from behind the scenes help our clients navigate the path to restored citizenship. The three primary groups highlighted were business leaders, faith community members and employers. One representative from each of these groups shared their motivation for getting involved and explained how Crosspoint clients, their families and our community would benefit from others stepping up to serve as "Path Lighters."

County Commissioner Tommy Calvert was the luncheon's keynote speaker and delivered a powerful message of hope and opportunity, outlining progress made in areas such as ex-offender employment and his vision for continued progress. After hearing stories of redemption about our seven graduates of the year, one of them courageously took the stage and captured the audience's attention as he shared how he overcame incredible obstacles and achieved success through the resources and guidance he received at Crosspoint.

We were privileged to once again have KSAT's Steve Spriester as our emcee and Fr. Kevin Fausz provide an inspirational invocation. New Board Chair Emile Huggins and Vice Chair Jonathan Pina introduced themselves and new board members Shea Johnson, Honorable Francisco "Quico" Canseco, Renee Watson and Shawn Fitzpatrick to the audience.



Martin Luther King March

January 15, 2018 marked the 50th annual Martin Luther King, Jr. March. Crosspoint's President & CEO, Dr. Downey was a speaker at the Early Morning Worship Service at the start of the march. A team of 20 staffers and family members participated in the 2.75 mile walk for Civil Rights for all citizens. Seeing so many staff and their children made this an inspirational event for all.



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Richard Goldsmith Volunteer Leadership Award

Word of Faith Ministries is the recipient of the 2017 Richard Goldsmith Volunteer Leadership Award. This multicultural ministry offers multiple services throughout San Antonio and touches the entire family. Their service to Crosspoint clients began in August 2015 with weekly Sunday services offering hope, love and encouragement through God’s word. Crosspoint is blessed that Word of Faith continually sows spiritual support into the lives of those we serve as well as their families. This helps our clients navigate their personal path to restoration and redemption thereby making our community stronger and safer.

Graduates of the Year

At this year’s annual luncheon, seven graduates were honored for their outstanding accomplishments, perseverance and continued success in their transition and restoration. Their stories reflect their commitment to overcoming significant obstacles related to substance abuse, homelessness, family losses and incarceration. We celebrate their lives and their successes.

- Alicia Castañeda – Alvarez House
- Terry Bonds – The Summit
- Adam Rodriguez – Hall House
- Larry Mosley – Veterans Program

- Darlene Carter – Recovery Support Home at Pryor House
- Rafael Garibay – Austin Cullum Outpatient Center
- Bernel Ruiz – Community Treatment Services



Community Corner

A total of 30 Crosspoint residents and 8 staff members participated in three volunteer events in the last few months. On November 7, our volunteers responded quickly to a short notice request from SAHA. The volunteers helped unload food donations and packaged a few hundred holiday food donation bags for the community. On November 23, resident and staff volunteers returned to the Baptist Temple Church and helped clear a lot and home being donated to the church. Working with minimal tools, our residents once again proved their ability to accomplish any goal set before them. On December 6, our volunteers stepped up to help prepare for the Martin Luther King March, replacing three wooden fences along the march route. Finally on January 6, Crosspoint was the beneficiary of a volunteer project organized by Valero. Their employees donated their time on a Saturday morning to help paint a hallway, stairwell and exercise room at The Summit. We truly appreciate this unsolicited act of volunteerism.



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