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News from The Summit

Vision Statement

Crosspoint strives to be the model of personal and community restoration

Faith-Based Services

On May 25th, Brazen Grace conducted a Night of Worship in the Cheever Family Chapel with Precinct 4 Bexar County Commissioner Tommy Calvert serving as the guest speaker. He shared his powerful testimony and had the opportunity to meet residents and their family members. The Commissioner was joined by Crosspoint staff and our Board Chair Emile Huggins. This spiritual experience left everyone feeling connected and inspired.



School Supplies Drive

For the first time, Crosspoint hosted their own school supplies drive to benefit the United Way Write Start Project. This project is a way for the community to give back to local teachers to help them bridge the gap of their personal expenditures for classroom supplies. Teachers report that without the basic supplies students need, their education is far more likely to be interrupted. This campaign is a way to provide teachers with the necessary items for their students to avoid this interruption. The initiative helps support over 6,000 local teachers at 110 schools in our community. The generosity of Crosspoint's staff was demonstrated in their donation of over 300 school supplies from the project's wish list.

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Jazz Benefit Concert

Saxophonist Billy Ray Sheppard produces and performs at special events in San Antonio and around the country. His monthly second Sunday smooth jazz series has become very popular and often serves charity organizations in and around the community. He believes in giving back and has raised over \$30,000 for nonprofits. The performance on July 8th was held at The Club at Sonterra, featuring Crosspoint, Inc. as the nonprofit of the month. Approximately 120 guests were present for a meal and performance by Mr. Sheppard. After the first set, Billy Ray called Dr. Downey to the stage to talk about Crosspoint's mission after which he turned over event proceeds to be put toward the agency's Recovery Support Home for Women. Many attendees who had never heard of Crosspoint now know what we do for the betterment of the citizens who come through our doors and how that strengthens the community at large.

Staff Spotlight

Ms. Rita Salinas joined the Crosspoint Family as our Director of Finance in December 2017. During her probationary period, Ms. Salinas filled the rest of her accounting team positions, orienting her staff to the Crosspoint accounting system while simultaneously streamlining that system. She holds both a Bachelor of Business and Masters of Science degree in Accounting from the University of the Incarnate Word and earned her certificate in Pastoral Ministry from the Oblate School of Theology. Ms. Salinas' diverse professional experience in accounting has spanned 37 years in both for profit and not-for profit organizations and she has served as an accounting professor at the University of the Incarnate Word. In addition to her professional experience, Ms. Salinas has provided mentorship to at-risk youth in the Bexar County Juvenile Probation Volunteers in Probation program for 28 years, where she has also held the office of Secretary from 2011-2015 and as Treasurer from 2016 to present.



Community Corner

A total of 21 Crosspoint residents and 8 staff members participated in two graffiti abatement events during the spring. In the months of May and June in cooperation with the City of San Antonio Graffiti Abatement Program, Crosspoint's volunteers painted over graffiti in Council District 10 near Loop 410 and Harry Wurzbach. On July 19th, 8 residents and 5 staff volunteered to join others at the Eastside Education Training Center to unload a truck and package food donation bags for the Eastside community.



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