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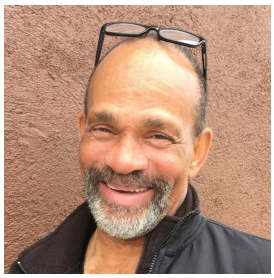

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Sun Street Centers
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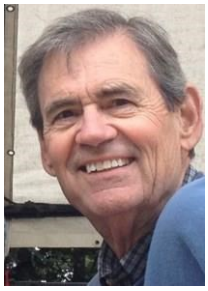
SEPTEMBER 2016

A Message from the CEO...

September is a special time at Sun Street Centers as we participate in National Recovery Month to celebrate and highlight the many lives that have been transformed through recovery. One of the examples of how we are celebrating recovery is our upcoming Old-Fashioned Family Fun Day Barbecue on September 25th at the Sheriff's Posse Grounds in Salinas. The event, which is being organized entirely by our program alumni, is open to the community and will offer a great mix of food, music, bike show and games – we hope to see you there!

Sun Street Centers has a long tradition of addressing substance abuse-related issues in our community. On January 13, 2017, our very own PARTS Coalition (Preventing Alcohol Related Trauma in Salinas) will be celebrating its 25th anniversary at the Rodeo Room on the Rodeo Grounds. Save the Date and join us for a celebration of community action and partnership.

Sun Street Centers would not be the same had it not be for the vision and dedication of its founder, Martin Dodd, and the many helping hands that make it possible for us to change thousands of lives each year with our services. I was lucky enough to have known Martin Dodd, as I never got a chance to meet his wife Nancy. Our founder passed away but will never be forgotten. He has made a permanent impact on the lives of thousands of people. As a foundational leader in the process of recovery through Social Model, he has affected the lives of countless men, women and children. Martin was advising me up to his last days and was passionate about what he knew to be true - The key to success is one alcoholic helping another, "we are known by the company we keep". Martin is known by the thousands of men and families in recovery that will always keep him close to their hearts.

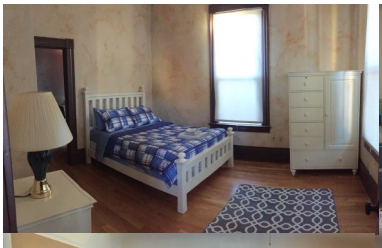


A few days ago, the staff at Sun Street Centers also received word that Jack Harpster, Sun Street Centers Program Evaluator passed away after a two-year battle with cancer. He was instrumental in helping our staff and Board understand the direction and mission of our services, and analyze our strengths and weaknesses. Jack had a great sense of humor, he was a kind and sincere person and super intelligent and intuitive. I still do not believe he will not be there the next time I need to email for advice or to solve problems over lunch. He was a mentor, a guide, and a friend and cared deeply about the issue of alcoholism and substance abuse. He has had a permanent and positive impact on families in recovery in Monterey County. We deeply cherish these two men and the impact that they have made on Sun Street Centers.

Anna Foglia CEO

Hollister Sober Living

Sun Street Centers has now opened two new Sober Living Environments in downtown Hollister-one for men and one for women and children. We are committed to insuring a safe, clean, structured recovery environment, and dedicated to providing supportive and affordable sober living. Our program is structured to implement everything our residents have acquired in treatment, through the twelve step recovery process. Residents agree to a Sober Living Covenant designed to develop character, self-esteem, responsibility, self-reliance, and accountability in order to help in the process of rebuilding a life.



"I was very honored to be asked to join the Sun Street Centers Board of Directors, especially when I learned that they were coming to San Benito County! Empowering women to become self-reliant while rebuilding relationships with their children, speaks to me. Children need their moms and Sun Street is making it happen!"

Valerie Smith
Board Member

Anne C. Leach Scholarship Fund

"Coming to Sun Street Centers was the best decision I ever made. I remember my first week here; I was ready to walk out the door. I didn't want to try; I didn't want to do the program. One of the counselors stopped me and asked me how many days I had clean and I said 15 days. He asked me when was the last time I had 15 days clean and I sat and thought about it. It had been almost 12 years since I had 15 days clean and sober. He told me if I had made that much progress in 15 days, imagine how much progress I'd make if I stayed and worked the program…Sun Street Centers changed my life." **- Charles**

"Receiving this scholarship is an amazing thing to me. I just started working when I got here. I'm balancing paying bills, paying rent. It's been hard. I'm so close to the center that I'm here often. I didn't like feeling like I couldn't make payments. Receiving this scholarship is such a blessing. Another blessing that has come to me in my recovery. I can't thank Sun Street Centers enough." **- David**

"This means the world to me. When I left Sun Street Centers, I went to work making minimum wage. I was balancing paying bills, child support and my program fees but I continued to work hard because it was what I needed to do. It is such a great honor to be a part of this supportive community here. The scholarship is just another amazing thing that has come to me in my recovery. I'm hoping to start mentoring more around the center and giving back to the men." **- Andre**

Old-Fashioned

FAMILY FUN DAY!

Barbecue

Hosted by the Alumni of Sun Street Centers

September 25th, 2016

1:00pm—5:00pm

Sheriff's Posse Grounds

395 Old Natividad Rd
Salinas, CA 93906

Live Music from Monterey Bay Sound Machine, Kids Activities, Bike Show

Meal Tickets are $15.00; Kids Meal $5.00

For more information and tickets contact John Bokanovich at 831.753.5145

Sun Street Centers celebrates National Recovery Month!

"To me, recovery means being present in the lives of my children and grandbaby. My journey towards long-term recovery has been a struggle but one that is well worth all the troubles. There have been times when I wanted to give in to the urge to use again but then thought better of it. This November marks my nine-year anniversary in recovery. Today, I have traded the high from meth for the happiness and joy I feel watching my daughters at a school performance or visiting with my grandbaby. Family is my everything. If I didn't have them in my life, I don't know where I'd be today. Recovery works, you just have want it bad enough."

-Andrea, DUI Clerk

Visiting the Capitol

Save the Date

PARTS 25th Anniversary

January 13, 2017 | 11:30am-1:30pm

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SUMMER SOIRÉE 2016

On August 27th, over 70 friends and supporters of Sun Street Centers attended the third Summer Soirée event at **Jim and Karen Fanoe's** house in support of the Anne C. Leach Scholarship Fund. The fund was created in 2013 with the intention of assisting men in recovery from drug and alcohol abuse who are role models in their recovery but lack the financial means to pay their program fees. The event was made possible thanks to our generous sponsors, **Comerica Bank** and **Kimberly Elliott**.

Guests from as far as King City made their way to the beautifully landscaped courtyard of the Fanoe house in Corral de Tierra to learn more about the life-changing impact their support is having on the lives of the men in Sun Street Centers' residential treatment program. Between hors d'oeuvres prepared by **Chef Todd Fischer** of Tarpy's Roadhouse and musical entertainment by **John Sherry**, guests heard from **David Cabral**, a former client of the men's residential program who has been able to achieve recovery from alcoholism after attending the program twice. "Thank you for believing in me when I had given up on myself" were David's closing words of gratitude for his attentive audience.

He was followed by **Marc Rede**, a doting father and former nurse who was finally able to overcome his alcohol addiction that had controlled him for so many years. Marc shared how his addiction cost him the thing that was dearest to him – his daughter's love and trust – and how he was able to slowly gain it back thanks to the support of donors like you. "I don't think I would be standing here today if it wasn't for all of you and the help I received at Sun Street Centers" said an emotional Marc.

The guest of honor, Salinas-based attorney **Anne Leach** who the scholarship is named after, shared anecdotes with guests from her over 20 years of service on the Board and how she initially became involved with Sun Street Centers. Sun Street Centers' CEO, Anna Foglia, gave additional information on the brick campaign that funds the scholarship fund and gives donors the opportunity to send a personal message of support along with their donation.

Special thanks to our 2016 planning committee: Karen Fanoe, Susan Gill, Cathy Schlumbrecht, Kathy Moser, Cyndy Pierson, Kimberly Elliott, Anna Foglia, Julia Foster, Leslie Leach, and Rocio Tovar.

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For more information on Sun Street Centers' brick campaign and the Anne C. Leach Scholarship Fund, please see reverse.

The Anne C. Leach Scholarship Fund was named in honor of Sun Street Centers' long-term board member and tireless advocate Anne C. Leach. Her compassion and commitment have made her an influential and key supporter of this organization. The Board and Staff unanimously decided that the Scholarship Fund be named after Anne, recognizing her dedication and outstanding service to Sun Street Centers.

ANNE C. LEACH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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With up to 3 lines of text. Each line can hold up to 18 characters.

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With up to 6 lines of text. Each line can hold up to 18 characters.

□ **12"x12" $5,000+ Center Brick**
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