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REPORT OF PATH ACTIVITIES BY EVENT COORDINATOR, PAM KLEIN

YARD SALE...

What a great event we had on Friday and Saturday, June 18 & 19th at our PATH Sale House. The weather was wonderful and so many turned out to sort and organize for a very successful event. We were just a few dollars short of raising \$5,000.00. That is five times more than we did last year so that is AMAZING! It only comes from so many working so hard. On Saturday, we had music from Sanctified from Calvary Chapel and First Church of God worship team. There were so many people that really enjoyed the music. We sold Hot Dogs and drinks and held a drawing for a mountain bike and a hand crocheted afghan made by our own Allene Dering. The ladies from the PATH Sale house and men from our Men's transitional living came and worked very hard. Thanks to all of them and our cooks who brought goodies to sell. There were so many that worked hard so a BIG THANKS to all!!

GIFT TO PATH

As many of you know my husband and I have a business here in town, Furniture Depot. We have an extra delivery truck that we are

donating to PATH. This will be used for things like our recycling program. It will also be used to move all the shelter items that have to be packed up each month during our winter shelter season. We are very pleased it will be used for so many things to help PATH.

NEWSLETTER BY E-MAIL

Don't forget it's not too late for us to send your newsletter by e-mail to save postage and cost of paper. If you are interested, just send me an e-mail and I will add you to our list. My e-mail address is, nvalleyoak2@sbcglobal.net. We had a lot of you respond last month. Thanks.

PATH SALE HOUSE UPDATE

Our women's home is going great. At present we have new twin baby boys almost 4 months old. The mom's have been working hard to better their lives by working through their programs that have been assigned to them by their case worker. We have had three ladies that have successfully completed a program and have graduated. A party was given for one lady and another is being planned soon. The party is to show the women how much we care for them and are excited for them as they find sustainable/affordable housing and gain employment. *Thanks to the Community Center Auxiliary, Sierra Pacific, and several individuals,* the fenced in play yard has been completed so



we can now have younger children. All of the ladies worked very hard while we did our yard sale so we thank them again.

PATHWAYS MEN'S TRANSITIONAL HOUSING REPORT

The men have been very busy with their recycling program. They have been asked to work many community events such as the Crawdad Festival at the Fairground, Field to Fork at the City Park, and now they are helping at the Farmer's Market. For this event they will be putting up the "no parking" sign on Tuesdays, helping PATH set up their booth on Wednesday evening, and helping to clean up the whole area in front of the Court House at the end of the evening. On July 4th, the men not only helped with recycling; they also helped with parking (The Women from the PATH Sale House helped to monitor the gate). The men wear their red shirts proudly, and they are becoming very noticed by the community for their hard work and willing attitude. Good Work guys! Two of the men are ready to graduate and are looking for affordable housing...then they'll be on their own.

PATH NEEDS PLATES

PATH is no longer able to receive free paper plates. This year we decided rather than purchasing paper plates it would make better financial sense to purchase reuseable Corelle plates. The Corelle plates are pretty indestructible, and should last us a very long

time. We will need at least fifty 10" dinner plates. It's been suggested that we buy the all white with no pattern ones. Each plates cost under \$3.00 if purchased at WalMart. That's approximately \$150. If you'd like to help share this expense feel free to purchase one or more plates. If you'd like to help us, you may drop off your purchase at the PATH Sale House on Gilmore Ranch Road.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Our next big event is our **PATH Walk** on Saturday, Sept. 11th (See flyer on the back of the mailer page). We want to start planning now by getting people signed up and getting team Captains assigned. Fund raising can begin now. Our theme this year is "Walk To Make A Difference". We will have T-Shirts made up that say "I Walked to Make A Difference" Let me know if you would like to order one. All orders must be placed by August 15th. You can e-mail me at... nvalleyoak2@sbcglobal.net or call Pam Klein 527-6439. If you belong to a non-profit organization and want to earn a little money for them, they can form a team and whatever they receive in donations, PATH will give back 50%. PATH will do all the work of organizing and advertising, It's a great way for many groups to work together for a good cause. **KICK OFF PARTY** for the PATH Walk will be held Tuesday, August 24th at 7:00 p.m. Bethel Church/Youth Room. Everyone is welcome to attend this party to get information, sign up and get excited about our Walk!

Annie B's - drive begins on August 1st through September 30th. PATH will receive all money donated plus an additional matched percentage



from grant funds available. Checks should be made out to...**NVCF - PATH**. NVCF stands for North Valley Community Foundation of Chico. *Important, this event only lasts 60 days.*

Dollar a Month Club - Don't forget we are still actively seeking new members. It's not too late to join. Our drawing will not be held until December 1st. Two names will drawn and each will win a \$250 gift card to WalMart. We have, however, changed the drawing location... it will now be held at Furniture Depot at 235 S. Main Street. For more information please call Pam Klein 527-6439.

CHRISTMAS TEA LUNCHEON UPDATE

Our annual Tea Luncheon will be a Christmas Tea and Craft Fair. It will be held at Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Saturday, November 6th. If you are a Crafter and would like to have a booth please let me know, Pam Klein 527-6439. We are going to be doing an actual English Tea so it will be fun and exciting. Look for more information next newsletter.

KEY CLUB GIFT TO PATH

We recently received a very generous \$500 gift from the Key Club at Red Bluff High School. One of the students, Nik Kitchel, came and spoke to PATH about how the Key Club wanted to help the homeless by selling their T-shirts that they designed and by donating their profit to PATH. It makes us proud to meet

young people like Nik and the Key Club who are willing to help the poor and the homeless. We really appreciate them, so thanks from all of us!!!

THE SHELTER SEASON IS APPROACHING FAST

If PATH is awarded the Federal Emergency Services Grant (FESG), by its stipulation, we have to open the winter shelter on October 1st. Otherwise, we will open on November 1st, as usual.

We need more volunteers to help supervise the shelter (These are four hour shifts once a week or once a month); volunteers to cook the evening meal (as often as you want); and we are looking for a weekly shelter shopper. If you are interested in helping in any of these areas, you can e-mail Dave Lamberson at pathdave@sbcglobal.net, or call Dave at 736-3959, or call Sue Benavides at 633-2121.

Watch for notices for volunteer training days and times.

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