

From our President

Dear Friends,

Happy Spring! This is one of our favorite times of year around CASH. We have the opportunity to celebrate Easter and Mother's Day with our community of women, while supporting their efforts to build positive social networks filled with supportive people. This year, we have to move our Easter celebration to the park so we can include everyone! We are also glad when



the cold, wet days pass because too many of the women we serve are still unsheltered or find themselves in-between homes, living in cars, or other very temporary places. We were very fortunate this year to have a few donations of blankets. Each one was put to very good use.

As we head into our 11th year, we are very proud of our Center and the women who come through our doors. Some have

accomplished so much and are living lives that they could only dream about a few years ago. Others receive comfort for a day and know that we are here for them, just as they are. Our community grew to 300 women last year. That is 300 women who have a place to belong where they are valued. Thank you for making this possible.

Warmly,

CindyStinson

Board President



Program Spotlight: RESET

CASH has educated, mentored, and removed barriers for 190 women through our RESET (Reducing Sexual Exploitation and Trafficking) program. RESET is Sacramento County's collaborative prostitution diversion program. We know that a conviction for prostitution can stand in the way of future goals. The Polaris Project found that criminal convictions can factor into child custody and visitation, that landlords have broad discretion to screen prospective

tenants for convictions, and a criminal record reduces job callbacks by almost 50%. RESET

works with women to set and achieve their goals and works with the system to eliminate the barrier that a conviction for prostitution can have on a woman's future.

"RESET gave me a sense of hope and faith to be willing to apply for employment and a better way of living..."

HIV Educator Training for the SHY

One of the first things we noticed after launching RESET was how little information participants had about HIV risk and transmission and how interested they were in our session on this topic. With support from the CARES Foundation, we packed our session with timely and important information and we created HIV for the Shy - a training designed for service providers who want to talk to their clients about risk but don't know where to begin. Want more information? You can reach Maria at pmancona@cashsac.org.

"All my mom and dad told me was "don't get pregnant." No one ever told me anything about staying safe and not catching diseases."

Mark Your Calendar!

It's right around the corner and we need you to make our Day BIG!! Tell a friend about us, have a party in our honor, give on May 2nd, or stop by and help us promote on social media.

The Big Day of Giving is very meaningful to us because it generates unrestricted operating revenue. This is how we fund immediate needs, innovative ideas, and the overhead of running a business. We are a lean organization and can stretch \$25.00 into meals for 30, transportation to 7 important appointments, or 50 rolls of toilet paper. Those meals, appointments, and stocked bathrooms help women every single day! Your support makes a very tangible difference at CASH.

Your generosity keeps us going. Give a gift that makes an impact here.

