El Modena Family Resource Center



COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP of ORANGE COUNTY



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Mission

Our Mission is to work collaboratively to help parents and families develop skills that benefit themselves and their children, promote health, enhance the process of family growth and foster a sense of community.

Vision

Our Vision for El Modena is an inclusive, united and healthy neighborhood to improve the quality of life that allows future generations to build a stronger community.

Success Story

Sandra had been a program participant for quite a few years, when her family was faced with a crisis, she stopped coming. She returned as a teen to participate in our teen program, full of anger and very rebellious. She was not attending school and had no interest to, she just wanted to work. She had already had issues with the law and was in probation. On one occasion she picked a fight with another teen and when confronted about her actions, she simply said, "come on you know you want to kick me out, just do it, tell me not to come back." Working with teens I knew this was the break we needed, we were going to do the opposite,

embrace her and motivate her to become the person she could be. At that point she was told that she needed to work with our Family Advocate, Maribel Velazquez, once and a week. She did not want to, but for some reason she did. A month into this check- in system Maribel had learned that she had no support at home, her dad had abandoned the family, her mother was not involved in her life, and her brother, was out on his own too. Sandra wanted to work, make money, survive. When she realized that she had no skills she turned to Maribel for help. Maribel had built that trust with Sandra. Maribel started to talk about school, she listened, with Maribel's help, support and

guidance, she registered at a continuation school. Her Probation officer saw the change and dismissed her probation. Her mother started to notice this change and was so proud of her she gave Sandra a Sweet 16 celebration. Sandra is expected to graduate this October 2012. She has returned to volunteer at El Modena FRC; she is a Program Leader for the Teen Program in charge of running the Program on her own, she has embraced our mission and is proof our vision.

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Programs & Services

- Case Management/Family Advocacy
- Counseling (Individual, Family, Group)
- Personal Empowerment Program
- YMCA of Orange After School Program
- Independent Studies/ ACCESS
- Income Tax Preparation

- Information & Referral
- Cal-Fresh/Food Stamps/WIC
- Parenting Classes
- Teen Program
- ESL Class
- Medi-Cal

- Senior Program
- Brown Bag
- CSFP
- Healthy Families
- Mobile Health Clinic
- Utilities

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