

August 24, 2014



Upcoming Events

09.04.14 Testing Services' Open House

09.13.14 CAP Meeting: Successful School Year

09.18.14 OCCHC/SteppingUP Board Meeting

09.20.14 P.A.D.R.E. Conference at Chapman University

10.07.14 OCCHC/SteppingUP Advisory Board Meeting

10.11.14 CAP Career Day

10.28.14 Annual Resident Advisory Committee Meeting

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Dear Friend,

Research of OCCHC/SteppingUP's annual recertification process have shown that over 40 of our 225 families experienced a decrease in income over the past year due to job loss or reduction of work hours. "A lot of our families are having a difficult time finding a stable job," shares Viri Serrano, Finance Director/Family Mentor. Our findings drove Viri to come up with creative ways to tackle the issue. And with that, Viri and her team of family mentors hosted OCCHC/SteppingUP's first Career Expo, bringing a variety of employers to one location.



To better prepare our residents for the event, our family mentors partnered with California's Employment Development Department to host two resume writing workshops. Participants learned ways to improve their resumes and present themselves on paper in a desirable way.

The Career Expo presented many opportunities from different sectors of the workforce including entry-level positions such as clerks to highly skilled positions such as financial analysts. Recruiters included representatives from Wells Fargo, the Educational Planners, NuCapital and many more. Job seekers also had access to additional resources onsite provided by Women Helping Women and Working Wardrobes in the event that further assistance is needed to prepare for a follow-up interview.

With nearly 100 participants in attendance, OCCHC/SteppingUP's first Career Expo was a success! OCCHC resident, Mariana V., was one of the many job seekers and shared, "In less than a few hours, I received a lot of valuable information from different agencies. It's a tough job market so I am glad that OCCHC provided this opportunity for us to meet face-to-face with employers". This is the first of many Career Expos that will assist our families and the surrounding community by creating a pathway to greater self-sufficiency.



Save the Date!

Introducing OCCHC /SteppingUP's
new social enterprise:

Testing Services

September 4th, 2014

4:00 PM — 7:00 PM

2024 N. Broadway Street Suite 100
Santa Ana, 92706

Click [here](#) to RSVP for the event!

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to transition extremely low-income families toward greater self-sufficiency by assisting them with housing and education

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