Disabilities Awareness Month

Presentation to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
October 18, 2016
Commission on Disabilities
RESOLUTION NO. 55400
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE SAN MATEO COUNTY COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that

WHEREAS, in San Mateo County there are approximately 115,000 people with disabilities (i.e., physical or mental impairments that substantially limit one or more of their major life activities); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is concerned with the quality of life and services available to the people with disabilities of San Mateo County; and

WHEREAS, services for people with disabilities require coordination, monitoring, evaluation, recognition, publicity and expansion; and

WHEREAS, this County has a history of commitment to protecting the legal rights of people with disabilities persons; and

WHEREAS, the recently passed Americans with Disabilities Act expands and guarantees the legal and civil rights of persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, this Board of Supervisors has previously adopted Resolution No. 48904, establishing the Disabilities Task Force and Resolution No. 28529, establishing the Coordinating Council on Developmental Disabilities, and recognizes the excellent work that both of those bodies have performed in the area of making recommendations about the services provided to the County’s disabled residents; and

WHEREAS, these two groups have recommended that they be dissolved and that a new, consolidated entity, the Commission on Disabilities be formed, in order to efficiently and effectively provide a unified and consolidated approach to the issues facing persons with disabilities in the County; and

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Our Challenges
Recurring Themes

- The need for affordable and accessible housing
- Physical and programmatic access to all services and programs as outlined by law
- Outreach and education to County staff and residents of San Mateo County
- Accessible Transportation
- Accessible voting
- Recognizing those who have made positive impacts in our community
CoD 25th Anniversary Luncheon

Our profound thanks to Congresswoman Anna Eshoo for her vision and leadership in creating the CoD.
CoD 25th Anniversary Luncheon Guests
Transition to Independence Fair

**Stepping Up for Independence**

**Saturday, October 15th 2016**
**11:30AM - 3:30PM**

**Transition Fair**

El Camino High School, 1320 Mission Rd.
South San Francisco

Learn about programs and services available to students who are no longer eligible for school-based special education programs. The event brings together 50 agencies that provide higher education, job training, employment, day programs, living options, and health services to adults with disabilities.

The event will also feature nine workshops ranging from benefits counseling, advocacy, healthcare, employment, college preparedness and assistive technology.

**Thank You To Our 2016 Platinum Sponsors!**

Kiwanis Redwood City
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General Independence
PPS
SVS Social Vocational Services

Fun Activities & Giveaways

- Free Pizza to the first 300 guests
- Free T-shirts to the first 300 guests
Art Showcase

SAN MATEO COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION

“Disabilities Art Showcase- 2016”

The 2016 Disabilities Art Showcase is co-sponsored by the San Mateo County Commission on Disabilities and the San Mateo County Arts Commission. This Art Showcase is open to artists with disabilities who live in the County of San Mateo.

Artists are encouraged to submit 2-dimensional artwork and photography that exemplifies their personal views of the world. Only ONE (1) entry may be submitted per artist.

Fifty (50) pieces of artwork by artists with disabilities will be on display during the month of October 2016, in celebration of “Disabilities Awareness Month.” Artwork by qualified artists with disabilities will be accepted on a first-come basis.

Artwork will be exhibited on the main floor at the Caldwell Gallery 460 County Center in Redwood City from October 4 to October 27.

For ENTRY FORMS and RULES please contact Craig McCallum
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Plans for Next Year!

Stay Tuned for our 2017 Goals!
Thanks!

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