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Summer 2019 Newsletter

Kids Korner Plus! Capital Campaign Update

We are proud to say that we are merely months away from opening our doors to our new building! Our new home will be located at 411 East Lake Avenue and will allow PVPSA to grow and serve more children and families, have an efficient central location for staff, and to unify our services. This new home will be a warm, welcoming environment for children and families; a place where they will feel safe, supported, and encouraged to move forward to a thriving life.

We still have many ways for community members and business to participate in our new home - including naming opportunities for benches, trees, and our beautiful garden! Please contact our CEO, Erica Padilla Chavez at 831-728-6445 for more information.

All contributions help no matter how large or small - \$10, \$50, \$100. Visit our website at PVPSA.org to donate in any amount today!

We are deeply grateful to the generous community leaders, individuals, businesses, and foundations that have helped us get this far. Drive by the corner of Brewington and East Lake and check out our progress.



CEO Erica Padilla Chavez inside one of our future children's therapy rooms



The outside of our future conference room as viewed from Brewington Avenue



A look inside our future children and family welcome area

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Promotoras de Salud Graduation

PVPSA celebrated the graduation of six community members as Promotoras de Salud (Community Health Workers). These community members are leaders who are now trained to support PVPSA in executing its mission through community education and linkage to our services. A special thank you to the Center for Community Advocacy for implementing the training activities, First Five Monterey County and the County of Santa Cruz for their support of this program. We also want to thank the City of Watsonville Mayor Pro-Tem Rebecca Garcia for her presence and support in acknowledging our new community leaders.



PVPSA, City of Watsonville, Watsonville P.D. Particpate in National Night Out

Our team had an amazing time participating in the National Night Out, along with the City of Watsonville, Watsonville Police Department, and other community organizations. We can't wait until next year!





PVPSA Participates In Training With Stanford Tobacco Toolkit Team

Earlier this month, Empower Watsonville youth, PVPSA staff, and collaborative partners from the County of San Benito, County of Santa Cruz, Pajaro Valley Unified School District, and Watsonville Police Department learned about the Tobacco Prevention Toolkit. The Toolkit is an educational resource that can be adapted to fit the individual needs of educators and students in all types of settings including: elementary, middle and high schools, community-based organizations, and health-related agencies. It is a theory-based and evidence-informed resource created by educators, parents, and researchers aimed at preventing middle and high school students' use of tobacco and nicotine products.



Did you know...August is National Wellness Month?

All during August, National Wellness Month focuses on self-care, managing stress and promoting healthy routines. Research has shown self-care and daily movement helps manage stress and promote happiness - in adults, as well as children.

