

Ventura County Commission for Women VCCW CHAIR'S REPORT

Agenda Item 9

Date of Report: August 29, 2011

August 2011 Report:

I. Goal: To Serve as the Spokesperson and Representative of VCCW during 2011-2012 Term

II. General Overview of Objectives:

1. Report on Board of Supervisors Meetings regarding Women & Families
2. Meeting with Supervisor Linda Parks re: Annual Report date & 30th Anniversary
3. Report on Ventura County Staff meeting, Sonia Kroth, H.S.A.
4. Ethics Training Status & Documentation Report
5. Recognition of Rodney Fernandez, Executive Director, Cabrillo Economic Dev. Corp.
6. Other County Representation of VCCW
 - a. Bi-National Health Week
 - b. SCE "ENLACES: Helping Our Communities Succeed A Nonprofit Sector"

III. Report on Board of Supervisors Meetings regarding Women & Families website:

<http://www.countyofventura.org> Chair Linda Parks, District 2 & Vice Chair John C. Zaragoza, District 5 (VCBS also sits as several other districts & services including Ventura County In-Home Supportive Services Public Authority & the Ventura County Library)

July 12 – **Item 10**: Approved general election for Nov 8 for Fillmore, San Buenaventura, Las Virgenes Unified School District, Ocean View School District, Ventura Unified School District, Satcoy Sanitary District & Ventura River County Water District; **Item 12**: Behavior Health Contract Agreements Authorization with 8 organizations; **Item 13**: Approval of Purchase Order Contracts of Ventura County Medical Center; **Item 22**: Approve Application for Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant & Forensic DNA Backlog Reduction Grant (reduce turnaround time and backlogs to realize the full potential of DNA technology).

July 19 – Behavioral Health had several items on the agenda: **Item 13**: Approval/Authorization to sign MOU with Many Mansions; **Item 14**: Approval/Authorization for purchasing contract with Medical Doctors & budget. **Item 21**: Unscheduled vacancy notice for Marcia Marcus on the Community Action of Ventura County. **Item 24**: Presentation Recognizing the Success of "Operation Medical Shelter" held May 9-11, 2011 (in which two Commissioners participated – Riggan & Guizar). **Item 25**: Recommendation of Supervisor Long to Support the Interface Children Family Services promoting Responsible Fatherhood Grant Application (MOU for County to participate in a Fatherhood Alliance Collaborative Partnership as part of the Pathways to Responsible Fatherhood Grants Program (Office of Family Assistance, USDHHS) promoting or sustaining marriage, strengthen co-parenting of children, promoting responsible parenting, fostering economic stability, and foster good citizenship and community leadership.

July 26 – Behavioral Health **Item 13**: Ratification, Approval, Authorization for Contract Agreement/Amendments for Alcohol & Drug Prevention Services (including Khepera House, Prototypes). **Item 14**: Approval, Authorization for Submitting Mental Health Services Act Update – Innovation Component Plan. Public Health **Item 15**: Approval, Authorization for Agreement to provide Electronic Patient Care Reporting System for Emergency Medical Services (Image Trend, Inc.). Ventura County Medical Center. **Item 16**: Ratification, Approval, Authorization for Purchasing Agent to execute contract amendments for various health care services. Human Services Agency **Item 19**: Ratification, Approval, Authorization for H.S.A. to sign & submit a grant application to CA Dept. HCD for Emergency Housing and Assistance Program (EHAP) to support homeless eligible residents of the RAIN Transitional Living Center. **Item 25**: Unscheduled Vacancy Notice – of Marie Panec on Community Action of Ventura County. **Item 27**: Children's Congress regarding Childhood Diabetes presentation by Michelle

Smolarski. **Item 28:** D.A. Report “Above and Beyond” on Crime Victims. **Item 29:** Approval of the 2011-2012 Countywide Strategic Plan including the County’s Mission Statement “To provide superior public service and support so that all residents have the opportunity to improve their quality of life while enjoying the benefits of a safe, healthy, and vibrant community.” The plan is “...to increase the County’s ability to address funding, workforce, and community needs proactively.” (Something for VCCW Commissioners to read). Behavioral Health **Item 32:** Ratification, Approval, Authorization for contracts for mental health services. Continued to August 2. Human Services Agency **Item 33:** Accept grant award from CA EDD Workforce Services for a Veterans Employment Related Assistance Program for June 2011 to March 2013.

August 2 – Behavioral Health **Item 13:** Ratification, Approval, Authorization to sign Amendment, MOU, Interagency Agreement with VC Office of Education for Educationally related mental health services provided to local schools under the individuals with Disabilities Education Act and AB 3632; Establish 3 new fixed term positions in Mental Health-Youth and Family Services. **Item 14:** Ratification, Approval, Authorization for Contract agreements Medical Doctors for Psychiatric Physician Services. **Item 15:** Ratification, Approval, Authorization for contracts for Assertive Community Treatment Services, for Positive Behavior Support Training Services, and to increase the maximum contract amount for Medical Personnel Recruiting Services. **Item 21:** Presentation of a Resolution Proclaiming August 1-7, 2011 as “World Breastfeeding” Week in Ventura County; **Item 22:** Presentation of Commendations to the 2011 Breastfeeding Friendly Award Recipients. **Item 23:** Presentation of a Resolution to Rodney Fernandez, Director of Cabrillo Economic Development Corporation upon his retirement. **Item 24:** Ratification, Approval, Authorization for Behavioral Health contracts for mental health residential treatment services, Early detection and Intervention for Prevention of Psychosis Services, Educational and mental health prevention and early intervention services stipend administration services, and for mental health services. **Item 26:** Approval and authorization for H.C.A. to accept a donation from the Harriet H. Samuelsson Foundation Via the VC Medical Resource Foundation to support the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit at VCMC and for naming the unit as “Harriet H. Samuelsson – Pediatric Intensive Care Unit.” **Item 27:** Recommendation of Supervisors Bennett and Long to Direct the County Executive Office and County Counsel to Report Back to the Board Regarding Incorporating LOCAL HIRE COMPONENTS to the Construction of the Ventura County Medical Center Replacement Hospital Project. **Item 30:** Adoption of a Resolution to Establish Four Classifications and Associated Salary Ranges (Health Care Agency).

August 9 – Behavioral Health **Item 12:** Ratification, Approval, Authorization for Contracts (including PDAP of Ventura County, Incorp.) for Alcohol and Drug Program Services. **Item 13:** Ratification, Approval, Authorization for contracts for mental health and intervention services (including City Impact, Incorp., Interface Children Family Services, & First 5). Public Health **Item 14:** Approval of VC Health Care Agency’s Planned Response to a Mass Fatality Catastrophe Plan Associated with Natural Disasters, Technological Incidents, and National Security Emergencies. Health Care Agency **Item 15:** Approval, Authorization for agreement with Pediatric Services & Family Medical Services. **Item 27:** Children’s Congress regarding Childhood Diabetes presented by Michelle Smolarski (continued from 7/26). Public Health **Item 30:** Approval, Authorization for accepting additional funding for in-home supportive services/Personal Care Services Program & establish one Public Nurse II position. **Item 31:** Ratification, Approval, Authorization to accept additional funding from a supplemental Adolescent Family Life Program-Positive Youth Development Grant, & establish 2 Community Health Worker positions. **Item 33.** HOLD OCTOBER 18 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING IN SIMI VALLEY CITY HALL (RECOMM. BY SUPERVISOR FOY). **Item 40:** Recommendation of Supervisor Parks to Appoint Betsy Connolly to Community Action of Ventura County. (This is a good appointment to represent District 2.) The Board of Supervisors is in Recess from Aug 16 – Sep 6. They return on Sept 13.

IV. Meeting with Supervisor Linda Parks re: Annual Report date & 30th Anniversary
VCCW Chair provided the Supervisor with information on the election of the 2011-2012 Officers, the plans to present the Annual Report and request for a date, and the request of the

VCCW to honor the 30th Anniversary of VCCW and its supporters. At the conclusion of the meeting the following information was given the VCCW Chair:

V. Report on Ventura County Staff meeting, Sonia Kroth, H.S.A.

The VCCW Chair contacted the County Staff on August xx and shared with her work of the VCCW and some of the needs

VI. Ethics Training Status & Documentation Report (Roberta Rodriguez, Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board 805-654-2251

VII. Recognition of Rodney Fernandez, Executive Director, Cabrillo Economic Dev. Corp. The VCCW Chair proposes that VCCW recognize Rodney Fernandez for his leadership in providing affordable housing in Ventura County for 30 years

VIII. Other County Representation of VCCW

- a. Bi-National Health Week www.binationalhealthweek.org/ October 1-16, 2011, United States, Canada and Mexico. The Ventura BHW is a Tri-County event including San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties. "It is an effort of federal and state government agencies, community-based organizations, and volunteers to improve the health and well-being of the underserved Latino population living in the United States and Canada. It encompasses an annual weeklong series of health promotion and health education activities that include workshops, insurance referrals, vaccinations and medical screenings." It reaches out to the community and to the lay and professional health workers. With VCCW approval the Chair will represent VCCW at the various events including the Health Fair on October 1 at the Ventura College within the Swap Meet/Marketplace and the BHW Conference on October 14 in Santa Maria. At both locations VCCW will be able to have booth space where its brochures would be presented.
- b. SCE "ENLACES: Helping Our Communities Succeed A Nonprofit Sector"
- c. Ventura Homeless Housing: Your VCCW Chair attended a meeting to discuss housing opportunities in the City of San Buena Ventura called together by Rev. Virgil Nelson.

VII. Committee Needs: (Describe any needs and suggested solutions for consideration.)

IX. Submitted By:

1. Ventura County/Community Issues 7:00 p.m.
 - a. Local labor petition to Ventura County Board of Supervisors
 - b. Bi-National Health Week Conference Sponsorship & 2 Booths in October
Citizen concerns about the lease to Hooters Restaurant in Thousand Oaks
2. Commissioners District & Ambassadorship (Written) Reports &/or news clippings on actions effecting women & families in the districts (e.g. council meetings, organization events, activities current & planned)
 - a. District 2 3 minutes – Thousand Oaks, Newbury Park, Westlake, Oak Park
3. Project Planning & Ad Hoc Reports by Committee Reports & Discussion (Provide written reports)
 - a. Revitalization of VCCW Section 1 Responsibilities & Evaluation 10 minutes

1. Responsibilities of VCCW
 2. Pre-Evaluations Received & Report Card Grade
 - b. Status of Women Report 10 minutes
 1. Outcome Anticipated
 2. VCCW 4 Teams
 - c. Strategic Planning Retreat Report for October 22 at Mira Vista Village, 2740 E. Ponderosa Dr, CA 93010 facilitated by Cynthia King on Objectives 10 minutes
 - d. Publicity Report
 - e. Bylaws & Standing Rules Report
 - f. Website Report
 - g. 30th Anniversary honoring VCCW, Supervisors & 16 organizations (Plan & Conduct as a collaboration & kick-off of Council of Women Leaders)
- Annual Report Presentation to Board of Supervisors (with 30th Anniversary)