## VENTURA COUNTY COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

DATE: October 22, 2012

Accomplishments & Activities

### **Administration Issues**

- The <u>moving</u> of our Ventura office has been moved to early 2013. No request has been needed for non-intrusive meeting locations (VCCW Recording Secretary is the contact)
- ❖ 2012 Retreat <u>Funding</u>: A request to VCCF requesting funds to cover the costs for the retreat is being submitted October 22, 2012.

<u>Improve Quality of Life</u> – the Chair gathered information on the following and represented VCCW at some of the meetings:

BiNational Health Week –The information below is from the Website: <a href="http://www.binationalhealthweek.org">http://www.binationalhealthweek.org</a>.

## **About Binational Health Week**

Over the last decade, Binational Health Week (BHW) has become one of the largest mobilization efforts in the Americas to improve the health and well-being of the underserved Latino population living in the United States and Canada. During BHW, federal, state and county government agencies, community-based organizations and thousands of volunteers come together annually in the month of October to conduct a series of health promotion and health education activities that include workshops, insurance referrals, vaccinations and medical screenings.

BHW fosters community solidarity by bringing together existing resources and thousands of volunteers working together for a common goal. The events are coordinated by the collaboration among community and government agencies from the U.S., Mexico and other Latin American countries with the purpose of reaching out to the most disadvantaged and vulnerable people, especially those without medical coverage.

BHW main partners include the Secretariats of Health and Foreign Affairs of Mexico, and the Ministries of Foreign Affairs of Guatemala, Honduras, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru, as well as the Institute for Mexicans Abroad, the Mexican Social Security Institute, the National Secretariat for Migrants, The California Endowment, the California HealthCare Foundation, the Council of Mexican Federations in North America, and the Health Initiative of the Americas, a program of the University of California, Berkeley, School of Public Health.

#### **Binational Health Week 2012**

This year, the twelfth BHW took place October 1-14, 2012 in at least 40 U.S. states and 3 Canadian provinces, with the participation of the consular networks of Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, Colombia, Bolivia, Ecuador and Peru. Additionally, during BHW seven national campaigns were implemented to promote awareness among the underserved Latino community: Access to Health Care and Health Care Reform, Women's Health, Mental Health, Adolescent's

Health, Infectious Diseases, Chronic Diseases, and Occupational Health. The inaugural event and Policy Forum on Migration and Health was held October 1-2 in Oaxaca, Mexico.

## Tasks Assigned by Board of Supervisors

- ❖ Study Session clarifying the VCCW's Fiscal & Administrative policies and procedures: Linda Catherine Le, MPPF, Program Management Analyst, has been working closing with VCCW, and has notified us that the Study Session that was scheduled for October 23, 2012 has been cancelled. As yet, we have not learned of the new date.
- Annual Report –In progress
- Status of Women & Girls Study Oversight Report: The final invoice was received and paid September 30, 2012. The final report is to be received at the October meeting of VCCW.

The Power Teams will learn their part in the presentation and distribution of the Study through the assistance of K & M Enterprises. The Power Teams presentation to the WLF Luncheon set for October 10, 2012 was cancelled by the Ventura County CEO's office as they required the report findings and recommendations to be presented to the Board of Supervisors first on November 20<sup>th</sup>.

Power Teams presentation to the Ventura County Board of Supervisors was calendared for October 9, 2012 and now has been changed to November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

**Report on the Board of Supervisors** http://portal.countyofventura.org/portal/page/portal/bos/Archives http://gsa-docushare.countyofventura.org/dscgi/ds.py/Get/File-6366/Agenda Calendar.htm

#### October 2, 2012

Item 13. Ratification of, Approval of, and Authorization to Execute the First Contract Amendment to Revise Exhibit D, Business Associate Addendum, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, with the California State Department of Health Care Services for the Low Income Health Program, Known as the ACE Program, Effective 7/1/2011 to 12/31/2013.. Item 18. Receive and File a Presentation on the Health Care Agency Services Provided in the Moorpark Area.

Item 23. Approval of, and Authorization for, the Probation Agency Contract With Palmer Drug Abuse Program (PDAP – Director Ginny Connell, former VCCW Chair) of Ventura County for Implementation of an On-Site Counseling Services Program, Seven Challenges, as Recommended by the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council for Fiscal Year 2012-13. Item 27. Approval of the Plan Year 2013 Health Plan Rates for Medical, Dental and Vision Plans for Active Employees and Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) Participants, Commencing December 23, 2012 for Plan Year 2012; Approval of the Renewal of Health Net for Services as the Outside Carrier for a High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) and a Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) for Plan Year 2013; Approval of the Renewal of Ventura County Health Care Plan (VCHCP) for Services as a Carrier for an HMO for Plan Year 2013; Approval of the Renewal of Services of Anthem Blue Cross Life and Health as the Dental Preferred Provider Organization for Plan Year 2013; Approval of the Renewal of Services of Medical Eye Services (MES) as the Vision Carrier for Plan Year 2013; Approval of the Amendment to the County of Ventura Flexible Benefits Program Plan Document to Allow Employee Pre-Tax Contributions to a County-Sponsored Health Savings Account (HSA) with Enrollment Into a High Deductible Health Plan (HSA-Compatible); Authorization for the Director

of Human Resources to Sign Any Necessary Plan Year 2013 Agreements or Amendments with Anthem Blue Cross Life and Health, Golden West Dental, MES, Health Net, and VCHCP With the Board-Approved Rate and Benefit Changes, Upon Approval of Legal Sufficiency by County Counsel.

### October 9, 2012

Item 17 October Proclaimed National Breast Cancer Awareness Month Item 19 October 7-13 Proclaimed Mental Illness Awareness Week

# October 16, 2012

Item 15. October Proclaimed "Domestic Violence Awareness" Month.

Item 19. Approval of, and Authorization for the Amended Contract with the California Department of Public Health for Additional Funding for the HIV/AIDS Prevention Program for Fiscal Year 2012-13;

Item 20. Approval of, and Authorization for Public Health Agreement with Ventura County Human Services Agency to Restore the Cal Learn Program for Fiscal Year 2012-13, Effective October 1, 2012;

Item 21. Approval of, and Authorization for the Ventura County Housing Trust Fund to Use Up To 15% of the County's Contribution to the Ventura County 10-Year Strategy to End Homelessness for Administrative Expenses.

### October 23, 2012

Item 10. Approval of, and Authorization for, the Second Amendment to the Agreement with City Impact, Inc., for Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Outreach and Education Services, Effective November 1, 2012 Through June 30, 2013; and Approval of, and Authorization for, the Behavioral Health Director, or Her Designee, to Sign the First Amendment to the Agreement with Kids & Families Together for MHSA PEI Outreach and Education Services, Effective November 1, 2012 Through June 30, 2013.

Item 13. Approval of, and Authorization for the Second Contract Amendment with Aspiranet to Increase the Contract Maximum for Collaborative Education Children's Mental Health Services, Effective July 1, 2012 Through June 30, 2013; Ratification of, Approval of, and Authorization for Behavioral Health Third Contract Amendment with Casa Pacifica Centers for Children and Families for Children's Mental Health Services, Effective July 1, 2012 Through June 30, 2013, Superseding the Previous Agreement Term of July 1, 2012 Through September 30, 2012;

Item 24. Receive and File Results from the 2011-12 United Way Campaign Drive, Kick-Off the 2012-13 Campaign and Welcome the 2012-13 Campaign Committee.

Item 25. October 24, 2012 Proclaimed as "National Food" Day.

Item 26. October 2012 proclaimed as "National Bullying Prevention" Month.

Item 36. Approval of, and Authorization for Public Health Agreement with the Ventura County Human Services Agency to Restore Funding for the Adolescent Family Life Programs (AFLP) – Cal Learn Program for Fiscal Year 2012-13, Effective October 1, 2012;

## October 30, 2012 Board of Supervisors is in recess.