



PROJECT SELF SUFFICIENCY

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JUNE RECOGNITION PROGRAM JUNE 22, 2012

We are gearing up for our big end of the school year celebration!

As in previous years, the June Recognition Program highlights the hard work of our families in their daily lives. We honor their hard work in school, at their jobs, with their families and all the other areas of their lives. For a complete list of our participant's achievements, keep reading!

I am not sure anyone can really grasp just how hard our participants work to achieve good grades, put food on the table every day for their children, and get up every morning to get to work.

Some of our participants do not own a vehicle so they take public transit from one city to another to drop off children and then get to their classes or their jobs. They work long into the night after the children are asleep so they can study for their midterms or final exams, or to get that paper done that is due in 5 hours.

The June Recognition Program is when we announce our Project Self Sufficiency Foundation Scholarships for the 2012-2013 Academic Year. As of this writing, the Huntington Beach Community has donated more than \$20,000 to our scholarship fund.

IT'S SCHOLARSHIP SEASON!

We are very busy in the office reading scholarship applications that have been submitted by our participants.

The Huntington Beach Community has been supporting our scholarship drive for more than 20 years.

Your important scholarship donation could make the difference for one of our parents to be able to continue their education.

Scholarship donations provide funds for child care, book costs, transportation

to and from school, and a variety of other necessities for school. Submit your check today to the Foundation Office:

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Your generosity and commitment to PSS is what makes this an extremely successful program.

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**CALL US! 714-536-5439
VISIT US AT; 1718 ORANGE AVENUE, HUNTINGTON BEACH**

If you know of a single parent living in Huntington Beach who is ready to go to college, hand our newsletter to them!

CLIENT TESTIMONIALS

1. I am just thrilled to have help from PSS!
2. I feel really blessed to have been accepted into PSS. It was getting very difficult for me to pay for my college books and thanks to the program, I was able to get my first 4.0 because for the first time in a long time I was able to purchase every single book that I needed.
3. The program has been great so far and has been a lot of help, more that I have expected. Thank you!
4. I just appreciate your help no matter what it is.
5. I am so grateful for everything that PSS does for me! PSS works hard for all of us and does all the best for us.
6. Since setting the goal and making the commitment to return to school full-time, I was diagnosed with breast cancer. In the course of two semesters I had a mastectomy and chemotherapy. Out of the five courses I enrolled in, I earned 4 A's and 1 C. I believe in myself and know that regardless of the obstacles, I will achieve every goal I set for myself. During this time I have also found ways to serve my community and have become a speaking advocate for early detection and treatment of breast cancer and the networking of resources for single mothers addressing issues related to poverty.
7. I have overcome my battle of learning to control my mental disabilities. I went off disability into an almost full-time job. I just moved into my own two bedroom apartment after being in a homeless shelter for the last 9 months. I currently have completed 6 out of the 10 steps, which is a program that helps emotionally abused women, such as myself, overcome that battle. I am currently receiving A's in my classes to raise my GPA after withdrawing so many times in the past for not getting my disability under control. I plan on getting my Associates and Certificate in Medical Sonography field of Ultra Sound.

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- There are currently more than 5,000 single parent families in Huntington Beach and most are low income families.
- The average income for a PSS family is under \$15,000 per year.
- The average MEDIAN income for an OC Family: \$84,200.
- The average cost to rent a one bedroom apartment in HB: \$1300.
- PSS Foundation donates approximately \$50,000 per participant over 5 years to assist them with their education.
- The PSS Program has helped more than 500 families achieve self sufficiency since 1985.
- The PSS Program is in its 26th year!

AUGUST 17, 2012 BACK TO SCHOOL BACK PACK

Each year the PSS Program provides back packs for the children of our single parents. Each family receives one back pack for each child including the toddlers and pre-school children.

Last year we partnered with First Christian Church and the generosity was simply amazing!

There were so many back packs that we were able to assist Collette's Children's Home and Interval House by giving them back packs for their homeless and displaced families.

This year's event will be just as exciting and we look forward to working with First Christian Church once again on this worthwhile cause.

If you would like to donate a back pack to a child in need please give us a call at the

office: 714-536-5263

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WINE, CHEESE AND CHOCOLATE PLEASE FUNDRAISER
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AT THE NEWLAND BARN

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JOIN THE PSS CREW FOR THE ANNUAL BEACH
DERBY ON OCTOBER 21ST, 2012 ON THE BEACH!

A promotional poster for the Beach Derby 10 Miler/10K. The background is a beach scene with a pier. The text includes 'Sun City 10.21.12', 'The Huntington Beach Distance Derby REVISITED!', 'Save the Date! October 21, 2012', '10 Miler & 10K on Pacific Coast Highway & Beach Obstacle Challenge 5K', and 'BeachDerby.com'. There are also photos of participants and a beach ball.

Sun City 10.21.12
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