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SAEHC in the News

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Dear Friend,

We appreciate your taking the time to read about our recent program activities, recognition of our community partners, and ways for you to get involved with SAEHC. If you would like more information on the features below or would like more frequent updates, please visit our website (www.saehc.org), become our fan on Facebook or follow our activities on Twitter.

Homeless Family Speaks at City Hall A Chance to Share Their Story When it Counts



On March 10, 2011 Portia Lewis, Eugene Ware and their two kids Kaleah Ware and Eugene Ware Jr. all stood up at city hall to speak in front of the Policy Board of Sacramento Steps Forward to tell about their journey from homelessness to permanent housing.

They entered the Motel Voucher Program on January 5, 2011, staying at the Greenbrier Motel for twenty days. During this time, they faithfully met with the housing specialist once a week to obtain a housing packet to search for housing of their own. They entered into the Winter Shelter on January 25, 2011, still continuing to

search for available housing. Their housing specialist referred them to Traveler's Aide to be considered for the transitional living program. Due to their income qualifications and their hard work, the family was accepted and obtained permanent housing through Traveler's Aide Transitional Living Program. They exited our shelter on February 8, 2011.

They met with the policy board to share their story and thank them for the opportunity that these programs provided, which helped them to get to the step where they are now.. If not for programs like Sacramento Area Emergency Housing Center and Traveler's Aide, where would this family, and others like them, be?

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Chic for Change Grand Opening April 8th Celebrate the Grand Opening of SAEHC's Community Partner

As featured last month, SAEHC has partnered with a local thrift boutique, Chic for Change. Please join



[Human Assistance Funds Winter Shelter for Homeless \(Sacramento Press\)](#)

[Local Homeless Initiative Launches Fundraising Campaign for Winter Shelter \(Sacramento Press\)](#)

[DHA to provide winter housing for homeless \(Sacramento Today\)](#)

[Sac Foodies enjoy After Hours 2010](#)

[Sacramento Area Emergency Housing Center - A Place To Call Home When You Need It](#)

Keeping Families Together

SAEHC runs one of only two shelters in Sacramento that accepts two parent households, single fathers, and sons over the age of 14.

Board of Directors

Matt Keasling,
President



us on Friday, April 8th 3:30-7:00pm for the Grand Opening Celebration at 2633 El Camino Ave., Sacramento CA, 95825.

There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony, live music, door prizes, face painting and food and drinks! Come out and show your support of this

amazing community partner! Bring a bag of donations and receive 50% off a Saturday purchase.

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Volunteer Appreciation Event on Saturday, April 16th

Don't Forget to RSVP!



Calling all volunteers! It's our turn to say thank you! In celebration of National Volunteer Week, we want to honor all of the volunteers who give of themselves to help Sacramento Area Emergency Housing Center succeed in our mission. Please join us at William Land Park on Saturday April 16th from 11:30am-2:00pm for our first annual Volunteer Appreciation Event.

Each volunteer who has donated hours in 2010 or 2011 is invited to bring themselves and a guest to enjoy food, fun and the Sacramento Zoo. If you have not volunteered but would like to attend the event, or if you are a volunteer and would like to bring additional family or friends, ticket prices are only \$15 and must be purchased in advance. Sponsorships for this event are still available, and all proceeds will go to cover event expenses and support the volunteer program.

Please contact Janice Wagaman, Community Partnerships Coordinator, at 916-454-2120 x302 or jwagaman@saehc.org to RSVP or purchase tickets or sponsorships. We hope to see you there!!

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Easter Help Needed

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Jose
Bodipo-Memba
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Kim Koski
Kathy Lelevier
Lynn Robie
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Help Bring the Joy of Spring to Homeless Children



motorcycles!

The Shut Up and Ride Motorcycle Club has sponsored Easter fun at the Family Shelter for years. These unlikely angels swoop down each year to bringing the joy of spring to the children staying at the shelter. They host an Easter egg hunt, bring baskets of goodies and have even been known to let the children sit on their



This year, they need some help to keep the miracles happening. YOU can be a part of the project by donating Easter basket fillings (candy, plastic eggs, small toys, chocolate bunnies, plush toys and more.) Your donations will be gratefully accepted at SAEHC's administrative office, 2411 Alhambra Blvd. #110, Sacramento, CA 95817. Or, simply donate online at www.saehc.org (include "Easter baskets" in the comment line) and let us do the shopping for you! Please donate by April 19th, to ensure we have time to assemble the baskets.

Together, we can change lives!

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Calling All Women

An easy way you can be involved at the Women's Refuge



Close your eyes for a moment and imagine what it would be like to be homeless and living in a women's shelter.

An easy way that you can help these fellow women is to donate those items that every woman must have. The next time you are at the store, pick up an extra box of feminine pads or tampons and donate it to women in need. Involve your friends and host a donation party and inviting them to donate too! Your donations will gladly be accepted Monday - Friday at 2411 Alhambra Blvd. #110, Sacramento, CA 95817. If you don't want to do the shopping, you can donate online at www.saehc.org, just include "women's products" in the comment line.

Thank you for your support!

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Father's Day 5k "Run for Families" Coming Soon! Save the Date!



Join us Sunday, June 19, 2011 at 7:30am to celebrate those special men in your life with the 2nd annual Father's Day 5K "Run for Families" hosted by Zealous Event



Management. Bring your whole family and enjoy the beautiful setting of Sculpture Park at 350 North Sunrise Blvd. in Roseville, CA. All proceeds from this family-friendly event will benefit Sacramento Area Emergency Housing Center's Family Shelter. Our shelter is one of only two emergency shelters in the Sacramento region that admits the entire family, including dads and teen-age boys. Honor these men, who are working hard to provide a better life for their families, by running or walking on their behalf.

These are ways you can help:

- [Register](#) your whole family to run or walk together
- Organize a running/walking team
- Promote the event on your

Facebook or Twitter

- Post your involvement on [SAEHC's Facebook page](#) for a bit of friendly competition to see who can organize the biggest team!
- [Donate to the event](#)
- Sponsor the t-shirts
- [Be a virtual runner](#)
- Volunteer

For more information on this event and how you can be involved, please contact Janice Wagaman, Community Partnerships Coordinator, at 916-454-2120 x302 or jwagaman@saehc.org.



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Employee of the Month

April: Tamee Dow, Case Manager



Congratulations to Tamee Dow, Case Manager! Tamee found one of our residents in a life-threatening situation. Her prompt and efficient actions have resulted in a successful outcome. She did an outstanding job supporting the resident in getting appropriate medical care and resources. Her flexibility and her ability to multi-task were especially evidenced in this

situation. Her leadership and her positive demeanor have made her a great team player and a valuable asset to SAEHC. Please join us in congratulating Tamee on a job well done!

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