



## PathPoint VIP e-Blast December 2014



Hi Friends!

**Happy Holidays!** I hope your Thanksgiving was all it should be. I know my colleagues at PathPoint share my gratitude for the part that you play in enhancing the lives of our participants with disabilities and disadvantages and their families all throughout the year.

This has been a truly happy year for PathPoint- we have maintained our mission to support our individuals in living their best lives possible, we see growth and change at PathPoint on a daily basis, and we celebrated **50 years** as an organization with plenty of joyful and reflective celebrations.

As we do every year, we will be mailing a letter to everyone in our extended family asking you to consider a **year-end donation** to PathPoint in this season of sharing. Thank you for all of your support during our milestone 50th year; may this year and every year bring you a lot to be thankful for.

Sincerely,



Cindy Burton  
PathPoint CEO/President

### A Proclamation for Santa Barbara

PathPoint was honored by the City of **Santa Barbara** and given a **proclamation** for our accomplishments and 50 years of service:

*I, Helene Schneider, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara, do hereby congratulate PathPoint on their 50th ANNIVERSARY and call upon the people of Santa Barbara to celebrate with programs, activities, and ceremonies supporting the full participation of individuals with disabilities and disadvantages in all aspects of community life.*

### Upcoming Events:

#### San Luis Obispo County

Open House & Crafts Fair  
December 5  
10:00 am - 4:00 pm  
PathPoint  
7360 El Camino Real  
Atascadero, CA  
Contact: Laura Brown  
805.462.8574

Arts & Crafts Sale  
December 8-12  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm daily  
PathPoint  
265 South Street, Suite H  
San Luis Obispo, CA  
Contact: Laura Brown  
805.462.8574

People First of SLO-  
Holiday Dance  
December 12  
7:00 - 9:00 pm  
San Luis Adult School  
1500 Lizzie Street,  
Room J-2  
San Luis Obispo, CA  
Contact: David Miklas  
805.782.8893

#### South Santa Barbara County

Residential Services  
Holiday Party  
December 10  
5:00 - 7:00 pm  
PathPoint  
902 Laguna Street  
Santa Barbara, CA  
Contact: Andrew Acosta  
805.961.9200 x1116

#### Ventura County

Youth Council Meeting  
December 3  
3:00 - 4:30 pm



### Spreading Holiday Cheer in Bakersfield

Every year during the holiday season, **Daniel Tipton** assists with Home Depot's **Santa's workshop** in their Bakersfield store. He builds the workshop from the ground up, and is so great at assembling the workshop, that the workshop has become his unofficial job every year. Once the workshop is complete, Daniel dresses as Santa and brings holiday cheer to the store!



### A visit from friends at Kmart



Human Service Agency  
855 Partridge Dr.  
Ventura, CA

Autism Support Group  
December 9  
7:00 - 8:30 pm  
Hosted by Rainbow  
Connection  
Call 805.485.9643 for  
location

Interagency Transition  
Coordinating Council (ITCC)  
December 11  
3:30 - 5:00 pm  
Ventura County SELPA  
Santa Paula Room  
5100 Adolfo Rd.  
Camarillo, CA

### Los Angeles County

Mock Job Fair  
December 5 & 12  
12:30 - 2:30 pm  
PathPoint  
1406 Obispo Ave.  
Long Beach, CA

BJ'S Fundraiser  
December 10  
6:00-9:00 pm  
1325 Rancho Vista Blvd  
Palmdale, CA  
661-538-9040  
15% of proceeds will go to  
PathPoint

Service Provider Advisory  
Committee Meeting  
December 16  
3:30 - 5:00 pm  
Harbor Regional Center  
21231 Hawthorne Blvd  
Torrance, CA

Santa's Gift Making  
Workshop  
December 17  
12:00-2:00 pm  
PathPoint  
348 E Ave K-4 Suite B  
Lancaster, CA  
Make a personalized gift of  
choice for someone special

Lancaster Chamber  
Business for  
Breakfast/Holiday Gift  
Exchange  
December 18  
7:00 - 8:30 am  
Schooner's Patio Grille  
2797 W. Avenue L  
Lancaster, CA  
Bring a wrapped gift with a  
\$10 - \$20 value

**Discoveries** program participants Marcela, Cynthia, Marcellina and Davyka visited former program participant, now Kmart employee, Robyn while on her work shift. Robyn was proud to show off her department and describe her job responsibilities. Robyn is currently working as a **Soft Lines Merchandiser** at Kmart in Long Beach.

### Touring Fire Station 106



PathPoint's ACCESS program in Chatsworth had a fun and educational tour at **Fire Station 106**. The firefighters showed participants the ins and outs of the station, including where they sleep, eat, relax and exercise. The firefighters gave a tour inside of the fire engine, and participants were given the opportunity to try out the fire hose!

### PathPoint Staff Spotlight: John Hoyer



John, a Marriage and Family Therapy intern, holds two different positions in the Behavioral Health Division: he is a Paths to Recovery Case Manager for part of the week and a Residential Support Services Specialist for the other days. While John provides first-rate support to all of his clients, he is also known for his athletic lifestyle and particularly his soccer playing and coaching in his spare time. Every Thursday he wears a Soccer jersey from a different international team to honor this undying passion. With winter coming however, John's time-off will be split between sliding in the muddy soccer fields and flying down the snowboarding slopes.

### Hope, Stop, Reinvigorate

Holiday Pot Luck  
December 23  
11:30 am - 12:30 pm  
PathPoint  
1406 Obispo Ave.  
Long Beach, CA

#### Kern County

Kern Regional Center Board  
of Directors Meeting  
December 2  
5:30 - 7:30 pm  
Kern Regional Center  
3200 N Sillect Ave. Malibu  
Room  
Bakersfield, CA

Area Board 8 Meeting  
December 10  
10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Central Valley Regional  
Center  
4615 North Marty  
Fresno, CA

VOICED meeting  
December 11  
10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
NAPD  
2601 F St.  
Bakersfield, CA

Vendor Advisory Meeting  
December 23  
10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Kern Regional Center  
3200 North Sillect Ave  
Bakersfield, CA

#### Behavioral Health Division

Behavioral Health Division  
Holiday Tea Party  
December 16  
10:00am  
Bradley Studios

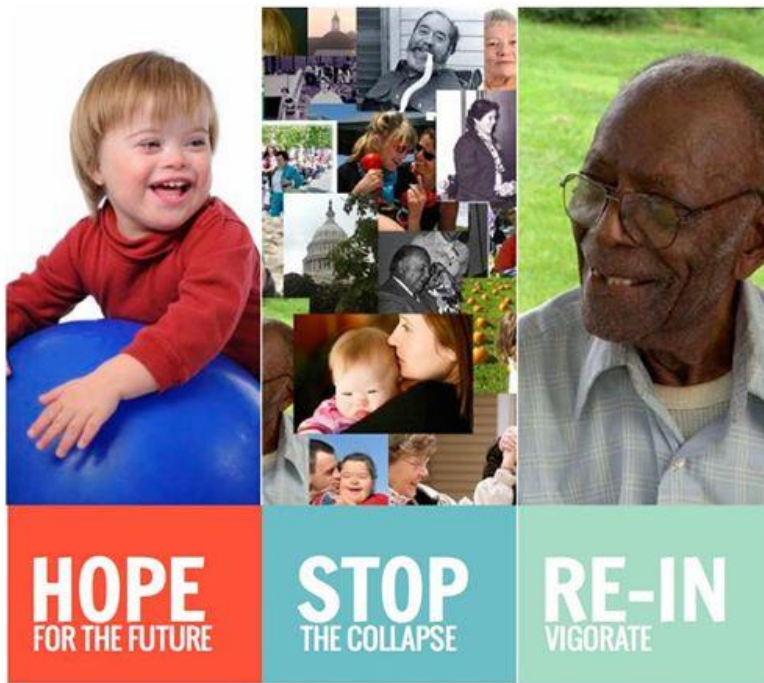
Winter Holiday Party  
December 18  
1:00 pm  
El Carrillo

Winter Holiday Party  
December 19  
12:00 pm  
Artisan Court

Ongoing Events:

Healthy Living on a Budget  
1st and 3rd Tuesdays  
10:00 am  
Bradley Studios  
Shared Community Event  
Tuesdays  
4:00 pm





The Lanterman Coalition, consisting of the 19 statewide organizations of the California Developmental Services system (of which PathPoint is a part), has urged the Brown administration to stop the current state of collapse of our system before the harm to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) and their families becomes irreparable. We told the governor that the IDD system must have a 10% increase to stop the current crisis from continuing to escalate and to begin to stabilize the community system.

You can learn more, and become involved and engaged on social media, [here](#). Thanks for your support!

### PathPoint in the News

[Montecito Journal: "A Half Century Later"](#)

[Lompoc Record: "PathPoint Will Honor Outstanding Success Story"](#)

[Santa Maria Times: "PathPoint"](#)

### Support PathPoint in your Holiday Shopping!

When you do your Holiday shopping at **AmazonSmile**, Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to PathPoint.

[Bookmark this link](#) and support us every time you shop!

**Gratefulness trees from the seasonal art group members of PathPoint's Behavioral Health Division:**

El Carrillo

Hiking Group  
Wednesdays

8:30 am

El Carrillo

Coffee with Keely

Wednesdays

10:00 am

El Carrillo

Healthy Living on a Budget

Wednesdays

3:00 pm

Artisan Studios

Women's Coffee Group

Fridays

10:00 am

Artisan Studios

Tranquil Art

Fridays

12:00 pm

El Carrillo

Mindfulness Meditation

Sundays

1:30pm

El Carrillo

