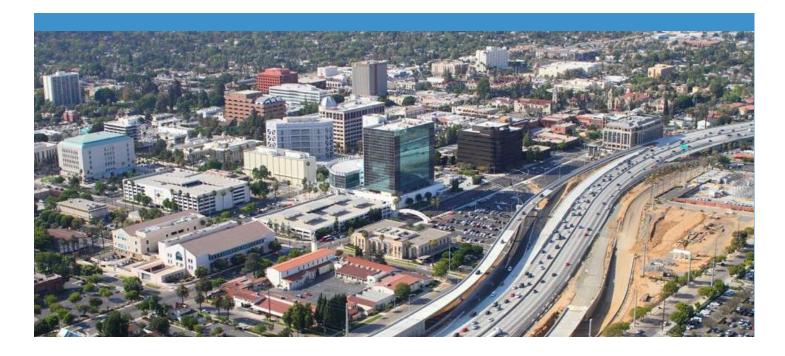
## **INLAND EMPIRE INSIDER**

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HOW CAN CWC BENEFIT ME?

#### JOIN OUR GROUP

Interested in helping volunteer, be a part of the community or reach out to help nonprofits? We want to talk to you! See Page 2 and 12 for more information. Please join our CWC Inland Empire Chapter!

SPOTLIGHT

#### HIGHLIGHTING A NONPROFIT

Our branch of CWC has joined forces with Childhelp and member Charles Reddy explains more about the organization and how anyone can help donate to the cause to help children have better lives. See Page 3 for the details.

MESSAGE

#### PRESIDENT NEWS

Hear the news on CWC's goals and how the president is thrilled to be a part of the chapter.

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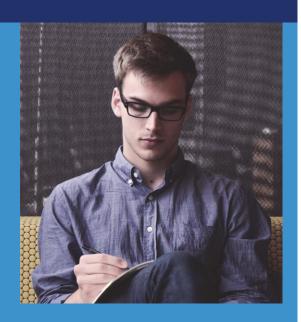


# INTERESTED IN VOLUNTERING?

Let us show you how joining the Inland Empire Branch of the California Workforce Connection will make a difference in your community, enhance your skills and assist others improving their lives or work skills.

#### WHY JOIN CWC?

- Enhance your knowledge base by attending workshops
- Promote your nonprofit or community partnership
- Support legislative awareness on policy matters
- Join community service activities



## MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS BY RAYMOND CABRERA

Those of us who volunteer our time, energy, and efforts to this venture we call the California Workforce Connection know how rewarding it is. What we receive in return is the knowledge that we bring training and mentorship to those that want to advance in the field of workforce services. California members are better for it, and we get to spend quality time developing the training process.

"After 20 years as an EDD employee and five years as a retiree, I am proud of all my continued contributions."—Member Raymond Cabrera

#### SPOTLIGHT: HIGHLIGHTING A NON-PROFIT

By Member Cara Jackson

All children need kindness, care and attention to succeed in life. Charles Reddy, a CWC member invites all to donate or support the nonprofit Childhelp.

The nonprofit is dedicated to the care and prevention of child abuse. It was founded in 1959 by two U.S. actresses and operates in four states, including California.

"Some kids show up with nothing except the clothes on their back when they first arrive and they are given toys, clothes or whatever they need," said Reddy in an interview.

Childhelp assists children with manners, behavior issues, survival skills and to eventually be placed into a safe home. Children are housed on several campuses where the schools are located. After receiving care at the nonprofit, the children are moved to foster families and hopefully to those who will adopt them, said Reddy.

Check out the website here for more information:

"Volunteer at the organization, make monetary donations or give clothes or toys"—
Member Charles Reddy

https://www.childhelp.org

#### **CWC PRESIDENT SHOUT OUT**

By President Sylvia Espinoza-Logan

#### MY GOALS AS PRESIDENT

As president of CWC Inland Empire, I plan to help you further your career by encouraging networking, and assist you to obtain training by creating a road map for all who are interested in getting involved with CWC. This also helps all of us give back to our communities.

We need to draw others to CWC by marketing and by delivering various presentations in personal growth, promotion trainings, professional development, and promoting educational conferences.

#### HOW OUR CWC BRANCH IS HELPING PEOPLE SUCCEED

CWC is working with the Employment Development Department (EDD) to understand its training needs and search for innovative delivery systems to meet the needs of EDD staff for professional development.

The CWC provides various zoom presentations to help those in attendance to perfect their skillsets towards enriching professional development. Motivational speakers present at local chapter meetings as well as at the Annual Conference and District Conferences.

Volunteers will have many opportunities to get involved and participate in various areas: such becoming a presenter, writing newsletters, event planning, community affairs, event involvement and Veteran's activities.

"It's our responsibility to inspire the upcoming generation in building and shaping our future leaders."- President Espinoza-Logan

#### RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES' WALK FOR KIDS

More than 50 participants dressed up in superhero costumes for a good cause. Members of CWC also participated in the Ronald McDonald House Charities' Walk for Kids on April 24, in Fontana. This is an annual fundraiser to support families in Southern California who have children dealing with health issues or cancer.

The fundraisers help raise money for new construction of Ronald McDonald houses, family rooms, camps for children and assist families to be close to their children while dealing with illness. Parents can "focus on the health of their child, rather than grocery shopping, cleaning or cooking meals," said rmhc.org.



#### RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE MEALS OF LOVE



By Member Nicole Palomino

CWC had the amazing opportunity to prepare a delicious meal for the families at a Ronald McDonald House on May 21. Amad-Jamal Washington was the chef for the day, coordinating and executing a delicious meal of a unique fusion of tostadas and tacos. Michelle Stevenson coordinated the preparation of her family's beloved lemon cake. Assisting in the efforts were Thuy Tran, Gabriella Reyes and Amber Ward.

While preparing the delicious meal, it was brought to our attention by one of the residents, Ana, who was mother of Camille, a patient at Loma Linda Medical center, that there was a special event. Ana indicated it was Pacheco's birthday. Pacheco is also a patient at Loma Linda who was turning 3 years old that day! We had the honor of singing happy birthday to this superhero. In attendance was his friend at the House, Adrian who is 7 years old and also a patient.

It was an amazing opportunity to give back to families during a difficult time. The amazing gift of a warm meal, is a blessing to the community. Thank you to Josie Ramos who sent in donation in honor of her son Richard Ramirez. And Lori Than who has been a generous supporter thorough the years. Also, a big thank you to those who encourage and support CWC.





#### SEE THIS LINK TO DONATE FUNDS

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#### **VOLUNTEER EVENT**

# Feeding the Unsheltered

"Unsheltered individuals come in different shapes and forms, gender, ethnicity and color... The reasons they are homeless stem from various obstacles they faced in life. Our role is to lend an extending hand by showing them that we care about them," said Peter Gallerani, CWC Vice President.



Left to right: Volunteers representing Town Gives organization; Sylvia Espinoza-Logan and Peter Gallerani

#### By Member Cara Jackson

Poverty touches the lives of millions of people around the world and even those in our community in Riverside, Ca. Everyone can make a difference, even if it is for one day. Members of CWC on November 20, 2021 handed out more than 100 lunches to unsheltered individuals.

Thanks to the generous donations from members, CWC was able to provide sandwiches, chips, snacks, face masks and a bottle of water. Initially, a spot near an industrial location in Riverside was the goal, however members drove down the street and gave water and a bag lunch, helping a homeless person smile for the day.

"As we know poverty does not affect one group of people, it also affects the community. By giving back, the message of hope and compassion to help others we help our neighbors who are often times overlooked or forgotten," said CWC President Espinoza-Logan.

CWC partnered with the Town Gives, and also drove out to Secombe Park in San Bernardino and delivered lunch bags and hot meals as well.

#### PINK ON PARADE

#### By Member Nicole Palomino

Why do I walk? I walk in honor of, in hopes of and in support of those fighting cancer. My son Julian and I love to support causes like Pink on Parade, because organizations such as these and others help to support the individual and their families through a very tough time.

The monetary donations help fund counseling, wig fittings, nutritional support and other resources which support the theme of "knowledge is power". We are in this together!

On October 16, 2021, the Inland Empire Chapter of CWC sponsored the Pink on Parade. The walk was held at Riverside's first Cancer Resource Center. The organization's goal is to improve the quality of life for those impacted by cancer, before, during and after treatment. All services rendered are free of charge. This includes counseling services, support groups, health and wellness programs and breast prosthesis and wig bank.

To donate or learn more visit: https://www.adventhealth.com/pink-on-parade



It was an honor to represent those we know, our family and friends who have had breast cancer and survived and it is always privilege to represent those we dont know, who had to fight for their lives and did all they could but didnt make it. Thank you for allowing my family to represent each family who fought and won the battle and those who didn't and tried their hardest to win

The Williams Family at the Event

#### **BASELINE SENIOR HOUSING**



From left to right: Nicole Palomino and Sylvia Espinoza-Logan

The California Workforce Connection (CWC) partnered with Baseline Co-Op Senior Housing on November 6<sup>th</sup> to provide hygiene kits to the seniors 65 and over at the facility.

Kits included face masks, tissue, sanitizers, shampoo & conditioner, water and a snack.

This is a nonprofit organization and its' mission is to provide these seniors the highest quality, affordable housing. As part of the community, CWC wants to take an active role and make a difference in these individuals' lives.

We donated 90 goody bags, and you can donate to the future causes such as these here:

https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted\_button\_id=YWGTE2TL6J9Y8

#### INLAND EMPIRE BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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**Secretary:** Monique Rodriguez

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