

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Board of Supervisors

BOARD AGENDA # *A-4

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE August 4, 2009

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

(Information Attached)

SUBJECT:

Approval to Proclaim August 9-15, 2009 as Community Health Centers Week in Stanislaus County

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Proclaim August 9-15, 2009 as Community Health Centers Week in Stanislaus County.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2009-509

On motion of Supervisor Chiesa, Seconded by Supervisor Grover

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Chiesa, Grover, Monteith, and Chairman DeMartini

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

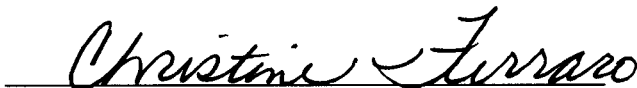
1) X Approved as recommended

2) _____ Denied

3) _____ Approved as amended

4) _____ Other:

MOTION:



ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

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July 10, 2009

Jim De Martini, Supervisor
Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors District 5
1010 Tenth Street Suite 6500
Modesto, CA 95340

Dear Mr. De Martini

Golden Valley Health Centers needs your assistance in granting the wish of good health and a bright future to the children of Merced and Stanislaus County. Recent changes to our funding have made it necessary for us to look to our community for help in providing care to our patients beyond the exam room. For that reason we have developed the Children's Fund; a campaign aimed at helping bring books and emergency funds to our children of Golden Valley.

The Children's Campaign was developed to support two programs: Emergency Assistance Fund, and Reach Out and Read. The Emergency Assistance Fund will be used to ensure children get the care they need to purchase medicine that the family cannot afford, pay for a specialist consultation that the family cannot afford, or to purchase a bus ticket to the specialist appointment. Children served by Reach Out and Read will develop the language and literacy skills necessary to read, complete school, be healthy, and succeed in life.

The positive correlation between education and good health is well established. Intervening early to improve the home learning environment for disadvantaged children will ensure that they are ready to learn when they enter school. Well educated individuals are more likely to eat better, less likely to smoke, more likely to exercise, and to get regular check-ups, all of which are associated with good health. We here at Golden Valley Health Centers promote a healthy start through education and healthcare, and believe that health and education go hand in hand.

Each year, the second week of August is dedicated to recognizing the service and contributions of Community Health Centers nationally. This year, our focus will be a fundraising event: "A Night of a Thousand Wishes," on Friday, August 14th. We hope that you will join us in our efforts to reach our goal of granting the wishes of good health and a bright future to children throughout the central valley.

We hope we can count on you for continued support to make our Children's Campaign a success for the children we serve in all of our Golden Valley Health Center sites!

Sincerely,

Christine Noguera
Deputy CEO