



Dr. Glenn Motola, CEO: You are Making a Difference

Dear Meredith,

As we prepare for Thanksgiving and kick off the busy holiday season, I want to update you on how your support is making an impact on our work, our clients and our community:

NEW HOMES FOR PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

The Department of Housing and Urban Development has granted our housing development partner, Mercy Housing, over \$5 million in Section 811 Supportive Housing funds to develop 56 integrated units south of Market Street. Fourteen of those apartments are allocated for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The second site, in the Haight-Ashbury area, will set aside 16 units for these constituents.

The Arc San Francisco will be providing essential services to these residents, and we look forward to working with Mercy Housing in the project planning.

Congratulations to all on this long-awaited good news!

TOWN HALL MEETING ON DISABILITY ISSUES AT THE ARC 11/29

The Arc is hosting a Town Hall Meeting for constituents and legislators to respond to recent threats to client services, and **you are invited**. At this critical forum, we'll highlight current issues facing people with developmental disabilities, especially the dangerous reductions in supports that are creating a crisis in community living for our clients. Cuts to basics like eyeglasses, hearing aids and walkers--on top of the

Please join us and learn how these budget decisions are being made, and share your point of view with the legislators who must help us protect the basic needs of people with developmental disabilities in our community.

Event time: 6:00-8:00pm. Location: The Arc San Francisco, 1500 Howard Street, SF, CA 94103. For more information and to RSVP, visit [Town Hall November 29, 2011](#), or contact Elisabeth Clobucker by email at eclobucker@thearcsf.org or via phone at (415) 255-7200 x124.

ADVOCACY TRAINING UPDATE

Our ongoing advocacy trainings are galvanizing our parents, clients, staff and other service providers who are committed to expanding opportunities for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

The Gamaliel Foundation led a dynamic leadership training for 33 individuals recently, identifying barriers to advancing our mission and strategies for success. The workshops, held at The Arc San Francisco, train participants in the nuts and bolts of broadening our base of support and influencing local and state public policy.

For more information about future trainings, contact Tim Hornbecker at thornbecker@thearcca.org or call Tim at (415) 850-8037.

THE SEASON OF GRATITUDE

As we sit down and give thanks for our many blessings this Thursday, I am especially grateful for your commitment to our cause. Your personal and [financial support](#) makes our load lighter and helps to bring more opportunities to those in need.

Thank you for your belief in our work and the dignity of every client we serve.

In gratitude,

Glenn

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P. S. The Client Holiday Wish List is coming December 1st! We're making it easier than ever to make our clients' holidays brighter through the purchase of Gift Cards. Visit our website on December 1st and be a secret Santa to someone in need.

UPCOMING

- Family Coalition Meeting, Friday, January 20, 2012, 7:30pm
- Board of Directors Meeting, Tuesday, January 24, 2012, 5:30pm

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