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### **MHSA STAKEHOLDER GROUP**

Friday January 27, 2017 2:00-4:00pm 2000 Embarcadero Cove, Oakland Sequoia Conference Room – 1st Floor

#### To participate by phone, dial-in to this number: (641) 715-3580 Participant access code: 346-748

MISSION	VALUE STATEMENT	FUNCTIONS
The MHSA Stakeholder Group advances the principles of the Mental Health Services Act and the use of effective practices to assure the transformation of the mental health system in Alameda County. The group reviews funded strategies and provides counsel on current and future funding priorities.	We maintain a focus on the people served, while working together with openness and mutual respect.	<ul> <li>The MHSA Stakeholder Group:</li> <li>Reviews the effectiveness of MHSA strategies</li> <li>Recommends current and future funding priorities</li> <li>Consults with BHCS and the community on promising approaches that have potential for transforming the mental health systems of care</li> <li>Communicates with BHCS and relevant mental health constituencies</li> </ul>

#### I. 2pm - Staff Reports [Carl Pascual]

- a. Membership Recruitment: Consumer, Family Member
- b. Leadership transitions and news [Dr. Karyn Tribble, Tracy Hazelton]

#### II. 2:30pm – Program Presentation

a. Alameda County Network of Mental Health Clients – Reaching Across

#### III. 2:45pm - Plan Update FY16-17

- b. Planning Timeline:
  - i. Today Distribute Plan Update (First Draft)
  - ii. Feb 24 Stakeholder Comment on Plan Update (First Draft)
  - iii. March 3 Plan Update (Public Draft) released for public comment
  - iv. April 10 Public Hearing hosted by MHB
  - v. End of April BOS Heath Committee presentation

### MHSA Stakeholder Group ROSTER (Non-Staff Only)

	First Name	Last Name	Agency/Affiliation	Gender Orientation	Co <sub>NS</sub> .	<sup>-uner</sup>	Prov.	MH F	496 GOOD	Area or Cright Area	Ennicipes Serving? MC.S.E
1	Alane	Friedrich	Mental Health Board	Female				1	All	Ν	All
2	Viveca	Bradley	Pool of Consumer Champions	Female	1				OA	Ν	All
3	James	Scott	Reaching Across	Male	1				TAY, A, OA	C,S,E	All
4	Cecilia	Wynn	Pool of Consumer Champions	Female	1				А	С	AfAm
5	Margot	Dashiell	Alameda County Family Coalition	Female		1			А	Ν	AfAm
6	Yvonne	Rutherford	African American Family Support Group	Female		1			All	Ν	AfAm
7	Liz	Rebensdorf	NAMI	Female		1			All	Ν	All
8	Penny	Bernhisel	Telecare	Female			1		OA	N,C,S	AfAm, C
9	Karen	Grimsich	City of Fremont	Female			1		OA	S,C	All
10	Janet	King	Native American Health Center	Female			1		All	Ν	NA
11	Tracy	Murray	Area Agency on Aging	Female			1		A, OA	All	All
12	Gwen	Wilson	G.O.A.L.S. For Women	Female/Lesbian			1		А	Ν	AfAm
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### MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT Alameda County Stakeholder Group

#### **OPEN NOMINATIONS FOR:**

#### CONSUMERS OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FAMILY MEMBERS

The Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), or Proposition 63, provides Alameda County with a unique opportunity to fund innovative mental health programs for clients with long standing unmet needs.

The mission of the MHSA Stakeholder Group is to advance the principles of the MHSA and the use of effective practices to assure the transformation of the mental health system in Alameda County. The group reviews funded strategies and provides counsel on current and future funding priorities.

Stakeholders strive to maintain a focus on the people served, while working together with openness and mutual respect. The functions of the Stakeholder Group include:

- Reviewing the effectiveness of MHSA strategies
- Recommending current and future funding priorities
- Consulting with Behavioral Healthcare Service Agency and the community on promising approaches that have potential for transforming the mental health systems of care
- Communicates with relevant mental health constituencies

The Stakeholder Group will meet on the fourth Friday of each month from 2-4pm. Stipends are available for family members and consumers who are not otherwise compensated for their time during meetings.

HOW TO NOMINATE A STAKEHOLDER: Please consider the attributes and interests of your colleagues and identify a nominee by filling out the online form. Self-nominations are also accepted. Please go to http://www.acprop63.org/stakeholders/join.htm

Direct any questions to Carl Pascual, Senior MHSA Planner at cpascual@acbhcs.org

#### **Reaching Across**

#### Location

*Our office is located at:* 3833 Peralta Boulevard, Suite D Fremont, CA 94536

Near the corner of: Fremont Boulevard and Peralta Avenue

#### Access by AC Transit Bus:

- #216 from Union City BART
- #216 from Fremont BART
- #99 from either Ohlone College or
   Fremont/Alvarado Blvd in Union City

#### Telephone: (510) 745-9500



#### **Reaching Across Director**

J. "Scotty" Scott has served as the Director of "Reaching Across" for over 20 years. The Alameda County Board of Supervisors and Alameda County Mental Health Board awarded him the "Alameda County Community Services Award" for his compassion, outstanding achievements and leadership. The state of California awarded him the "Hero Award" as a way to highlight his many outstanding achievements and extend to him special recognition for his over twenty years of compassionate help to people suffering from serious psychological and physical problems.

He graduated from the University of California at Berkeley and is a nurse.

Assistant Director Rev. Barbara Meyers has served as the part time Assistant Director for over twelve years. She graduated from UCLA and worked as a computer programmer for IBM before becoming a minister and joining Reaching Across.

"Whatever form we are – able or disabled, rich or poor – it is not how much we do, but how much love we put in the doing; a lifelong sharing of love with others." Mother Teresa

"At times our own light goes out and is rekindled by a spark from another person. Each of us has cause to think with deep gratitude of those who have lighted the flame within us." Albert Schweitzer

"Every human being has a great, yet often unknown, gift to care, to be compassionate, to become present to the other, to listen, to hear, and to receive. If that gift would be set free and made available, miracles could take place." Henri J.M. Nouwen

"May I not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved as to love; for it is giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned." St. Francis

### **Reaching Across**



#### Life Reaching Across to Life

#### **People Reaching Across to People**

The people with emotional and physical problems who come to *Reaching Across* are considered valuable people with important insights who are capable of helping both themselves and others.

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MHSA STAKEHOLDER PACKET

JAN 27, 2017 MEETING

#### **Reaching Across**

#### Philosophy

While some of the staff at the *Reaching Across* organization are nurses and people with college degrees, the focus is on people who have themselves struggled through challenging situations. People are strongly encouraged to share their difficult experiences with people suffering with similar problems. The people with emotional and physical problems who come to *Reaching Across* are considered valuable people with important insights who are capable of helping both themselves and others.



#### **Reaching Across**

#### Program

*Reaching Across* is a program in which people with emotional problems and illnesses help each other and help themselves by offering mutual support, by taking part in activities, and by listening to speakers. Everyone in the program is encouraged to share responsibility for the program by taking an active part in it.



A nurse attends every meeting to help facilitate discussions and provide information.

Some people who

come to the *Reaching Across* office are consumers of various mental health services. These may include help provided by psychologists, marriage counselors, psychiatrists, hospitals, ministers and support groups. Other people who come to the office are not receiving any help from various counselors or organizations. They feel that they could someday need counseling due to stress or other problems or illnesses. They come to help prevent future problems or to prevent a reoccurrence of past problems.

People may also come to the office when they are lonely or need other help (ideas on education, jobs, housing, etc.).

We both help people directly and refer people to other organizations and to doctors.

#### **Reaching Across**

#### Discussion

Group discussions include such topics as: emotions, goals, relationship problems, depressions, divorces, deaths of relatives and friends, family problems, job losses, hospitalizations, finding new jobs, various

mental health problems, and other subjects clients wish to discuss.



Our activities include:

- recovery groups
- ➢ job groups
- taking group hikes
- Wellness Recovery Action Plan Groups
- going to Oakland A's baseball games
- yoga classes and picnics
- having group bicycle trips
- working on craft projects
- snacks and soft drinks at coffee shops
- sharing a yearly restaurant dinner
- Thanksgiving and Christmas parties
- Courses on Computers for jobs/college

#### Speakers

Speakers have spoken on such topics as:

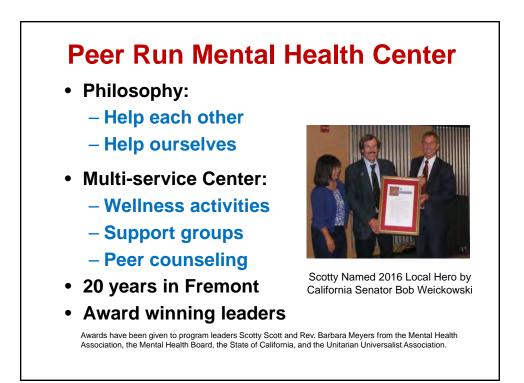
- finding volunteer and paid work
- $\blacktriangleright$  health insurance
- obtaining and keeping types of state and federal disability insurance (Social Security Disability)
- finding low cost housing
- techniques to improve communication

### The Life Reaching Across to Life Organization

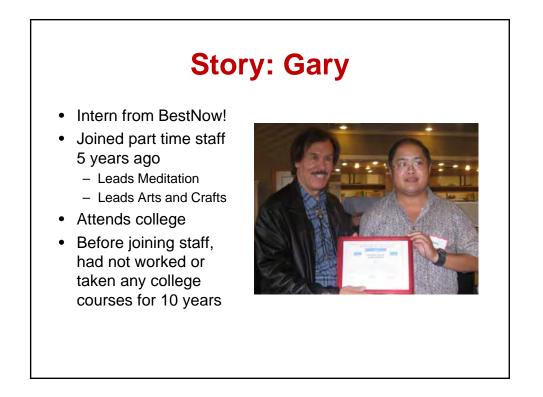


James "Scotty" Scott, Director Rev. Barbara F. Meyers, Assistant Director

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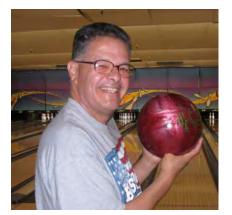
## Story: Karen

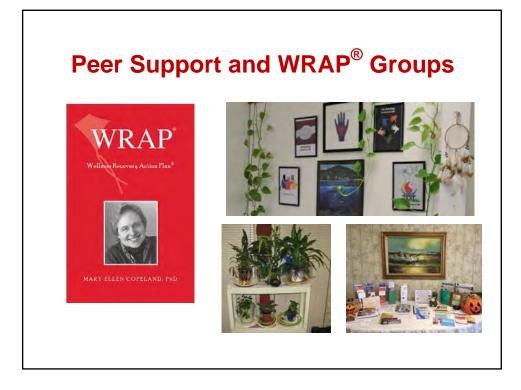
- Attendee for 15 + years
- No hospitalizations for 7+ years
- Part time jobs
- Stable Housing
- Raised 3 beautiful children who are all college graduates
- Helping to raise her grandson



## **Story: Vincent**

- Attendee for 5 years
- Now works part time:
  - As a Tai Chi Teacher at Reaching Across
  - As an employee at a record store
- Previously inactive.
   Now:
  - Joins 2-mile Reaching Across group walks
  - Enthusiastic bowler



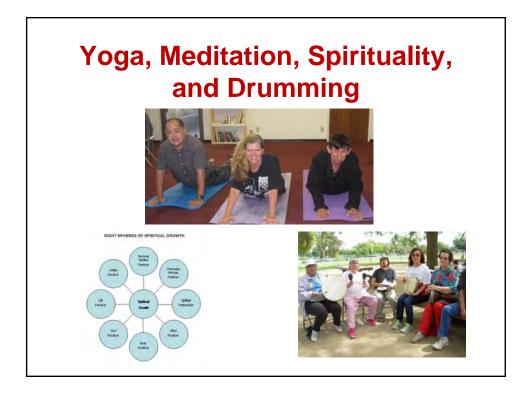




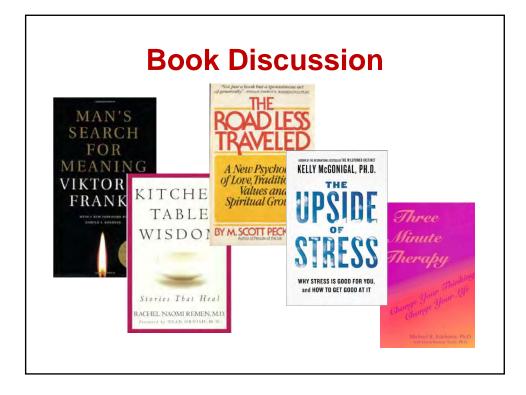
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### **Picnics, Outings, Group Walks**





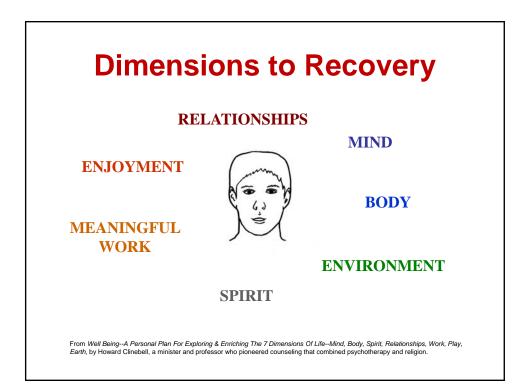
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## Creative Writing and Moods Arts and Crafts





## Story: Kathryn



# • Attendee for 10+ years with no hospitalizations

- Working:
  - Math tutor
  - NAMI Peer-to-Peer organizer
- Active in her church
- Excellent cook
- Devoted wife and friend

## Alameda County Network of Mental Health Clients

Executive Director: Katrina Killian

- Best Now!
- Berkeley Drop-in Center
- Tenant Support Program
- Reach Out
- The Life Reaching Across to Life Organization

The administrative office of the Alameda County Network of Mental Health Clients is at 3238 Adeline Street, Berkeley, CA <u>kkillian@acnetmhc.org</u> 510-652-7451

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