Dear Friends and Families,

San Joaquin Valley is rich and abundant in indigenous culture, community values and we have a profound multiethnic history - our people are resilient, hardworking and proud. But we also know the pain and trauma of violence, poverty and incarceration and how historical structural disinvestment has impacted our community and the lives of our precious children. In our 2017 Impact Report, we honor their lived experiences while highlighting many of our organizational achievements, our extensive services and most importantly, our vision for the future of our community.

From Lupita, a 99-year-old elder who joins us for food, karaoke and dancing who will soon celebrate her centennial birthday in 2018, to Bella who at the ripe age of 8 is learning about community organizing, Fathers & Families of San Joaquin is proud to serve the full spectrum of individuals and families through our intergenerational approach. In this digital era where fake news and technology try to divide us, face to face interaction and honest conversations between fragmented sectors across community and institutions is more critical than ever. This is the true medicine, this is healing and this is real empowerment that can only transpire in close proximity to the pain and hearts of those most impacted. Thus, we stand firm in our resolve and faith that Stockton is rising and We- the people of Stockton- are the solution to all the challenges we face.

I am pleased to report another exceptional year with our agency - one with many adversities, however, we pressed through it and grew stronger and more effective as a cohesive team with a united voice. Our brilliant and inspirational team amaze me every day with their passion and commitment to foster positive social change in the way they show up as leaders and healers.

As you will see in this report, our story is one of resilience, pride, and power. I hope you will be as inspired as I am by our work to transform the landscape of our community, here in Stockton, San Joaquin County and across the Central Valley. Thanks for standing strong, alongside us.

In love, gratitude and strength,

Samuel A. Nunez

Samuel A. Nunez, Executive Director
2017 Campaign Priorities

- **Prop 57 Implementation** – Ends the power of prosecutors to transfer youth as young as 14 into Adult Court without a hearing before a juvenile court judge. Permits parole for people who are incarcerated in state prison with a “nonviolent” conviction. Provides incentives for incarcerated people to complete rehabilitative programs inside.

- **Prop 47 Implementation** – Provides incentives for incarcerated people to complete rehabilitative programs inside. Prioritize criminal justice resources for serious and violent crime and to invest the savings from reduced incarceration for low-level, nonviolent offenses into prevention and treatment; reduced prison and jail crowding.

- **Prop 64 Marijuana Tax** – Legalizes marijuana under state law, for use by adults 21 or older; Designate state agencies to license and regulate industry; Impose state excise tax of 15% on retail sales; Establishes marketing standards and restrictions; Prohibits marketing to minors; Allows local regulation and taxation of marijuana; Authorizes resentencing and destruction of records for conviction.

- **AB 1639 VCB Bill** – AB 1639 ends discrimination against people who are allegedly gang involved and/or who are undocumented from getting victim compensation and services, including support for mortuary and burial expenses, counseling, and medical treatment.

- **Gang Database Bill** – Would give people of all ages the right to notification and appeal if they are added to a shared gang database (including but not limited to CalGang); requires court hearing to prove that someone is currently an active participant in a gang to have a gang injunction enforced against them; removes barriers for people accessing victims compensation when they or their family members are allegedly affiliated, associated or a member of a gang or have a felony conviction; requires state to release data every year on the demographics of additions and removals from gang databases.

- **Miranda Rights** – This bill would require that a youth 15 years of age or younger consult with legal counsel in person, by telephone, or by video conference prior to a custodial interrogation and before waiving any of the above-specified rights.

- **Vote 16 Local Policy** – Lower the voting age of San Joaquin County to 16 years of age so that youth can vote and elect for local elected officials that will impact them directly.

- **Measure M** – Tax to improve access to libraries, parks and recreation centers.

- **SB 10 Bail Reform** – Reformation of CA money bail system to ensure people are not kept in jail simply because they cannot afford bail to buy their freedom.

- **LCFF & LCAP SUSD Local School Funding** – As of 2017-2018 school year, Stockton Unified District no longer spends local control funding for law enforcement officers, with community reinvestment to restorative justice and literacy programs.
YOUTH & RACIAL JUSTICE

To positively impact the lives of young people in Stockton & the greater San Joaquin Valley, with an emphasis on those systems impacted. Through culturally rooted education and trauma informed mentorship, we aim to serve the basic needs of youth as well as activate and empower our youth to be socially conscious, politically involved agents of change in their own lives and communities. We build racial equity with the goal to improve the life outcomes of youth of color in critical areas, such as education, youth justice, neighborhood safety, job opportunity, health and affordable housing.

PYJI (Positive Youth Justice Initiative)

33 PYJI youth participants have succeeded through numerous areas and life goals: academics, high school graduation, college enrollment, personal relationships, probation & substance abuse

In our 3rd year of PYJI grant, our focus was around the aftermath of Prop 57 and accountability that comes after the victory of that bill. This year Fathers + Families was able to save many youth from going to adult court by using the method Participatory Defense that was brought to Fathers + Families by Silicon Valley De-Bug. San Joaquin Juvenile Probation Department hosts monthly meetings with CBO partners and probation officers.

In collaboration with the Stockton Education Equity Coalition, our youth and staff helped create a SUSD report card that included recommendations and summarized ACLU’s analysis of LCFF funding.

25 students, parents, and advocates gathered at Fathers + Families to discuss the Report Card and importance of using LCFF funds to support students by investing in effective interventions such as restorative justice programs and school counselors. Our youth presented to the Stockton Unified School Board in hopes their voices would be implemented in the decision process.
In result, SUSD did not designate any LCFF funds towards on-school police – huge victory for our agency and coalition!

**Student Learning:**

Youth learned about advocacy in multiple ways, such as: meetings with legislators, school board members and community members that all have a collective impact on their lives.

Additionally, our youth helped kick off our community garden project and engaged in the Insight Garden Program curriculum where they could connect lessons they learned in the garden to themselves, their communities, and the natural world.

Reducing Racial & Ethnic Disparities Committee

This year, our Youth Program participated in the Probation Department’s Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparities (RRED) committee. We have participated and been vocal at every monthly meeting with the purpose of bringing light to the stories of youth and families impacted by the juvenile in-justice system as well as offer our services and support to families.

San Joaquin County has one of the highest rates of direct files (transferring youth directly to adult court). We began our advocacy efforts to lower the rate of direct files and prove that sending youth to adult court is ineffective, harmful and inhumane.

#ReadingIsLit  Fathers + Families kicked off the campaign “Reading in Lit” playing off of the slang word “lit” which means ‘cool’ or ‘exciting’.

“When I was incarcerated at the age of sixteen, I had a fifth grade reading level. I was at least six years behind where I should have been. Like too many Stockton youth, I attended schools that did not have the resources to support my needs. As a child, I was exposed to numerous traumatic experiences. I witnessed shootings, abuse, drug use and gang violence. I experienced homelessness and hunger. Without the proper support, I was pushed to the fringes of our education system and into the criminal justice system. It was not until prison that I learned how to read properly. I am now a movement builder with Fathers + Families, actively working to create opportunities for other youth in my community.”

—Raymond Aguilar

3 Literacy Events & School Outreach:

- 200 community members participated in 2 panel discussions — youth and adult led. Panel focus centered around the importance of reading and how families can continue to grow together by reading together.
- Fathers + Families disseminated information for parents regarding the school district and community responded to the issues at hand.
- At Barnes & Noble, 2 groups of guests panelists including Supervisor Tom Patti, Author Jagada Chambers, and Oakland A’s pitcher Dallas Braden, charged up the youth participants to increase motivation to read and improve literacy beginning in the home and family. 700 books were donated to participants, and Stockton Library opened twenty library cards for families.
- Youth & Elders Empowerment Center, 56 adults and 34 youth attended. 2 panels — youth and adult led — including SUSD Board Member Lange Luntao, SJDC’s Professor Pedro Ramirez, Dr. Nancy Huante, and Youth Movement Builder Brandon Harrison. 1000 books donated from community members, Edison High School, UOP, and Stockton Library.
- Fathers + Families conducted literacy outreach at Stallworth Elementary School and a community-organized event at Sierra Vista gymnasium. We collected contact information of parents of Van Buren and Madison Elementary Schools’ students. — to help parent improve literacy of their children from these schools who are two grades behind in 3rd grade reading proficiency. Free books were given out at this event.
El Joven Noble

El Joven Noble Rites of Passage Character Development Program, is a youth development, support, and leadership enhancement program developed in 1996. It provides a process and a vehicle for the continued “rites of passage” development of youth ages 10-24. Jovenes Con Palabra is a ten-session curriculum that is part of a more intense El Joven Noble (The Noble Young Person) youth rites of passage process.

The specific goal of the Jovenes Con Palabra curriculum is the character development of young men/women and to increase the ability of youth to act in a responsible and respectful way in regard to their relationships. This curriculum is rooted in traditional ways for indigenous people of all cultures as men, women, families, and communities gather in “circulos” to teach, learn, heal and prepare for continued development of the people.

Circulos every Wednesday, 3:30-5pm, Fathers + Families has approximately 10 to 16 youth that probation refers through PYJI to participate in. Joven Noble Youth participated in a cultural Art Show, part of a week-long multi series event “Cinco De Mayo Rage & Resistance”.

“When I first joined El Joven Noble, I felt very discouraged about whether this was the right place for me. However, after awhile, it became something that I liked and excited to be apart of. It was nice that I had the opportunity to learn a lot of things such as our the core values, which are principles that you set in order to hold yourself accountable everyday. For me, I aimed to be dependable, honesty, trustworthy, and humble. I wouldn’t be the person I am without those values that I set here.”

—El Joven Noble Youth participant

Free Our Dreams

Every summer, a group of our youth attend the annual “Free Our Dreams” conference at the State Capitol. This year it was hosted by the State Boys and Men of Color networks and achieved the following goals:

1. Cultivated relationships among sites and campaign issue areas that celebrate the diversity, identities and histories of our youth movement.
2. Exchanged skills & knowledge in order to increase the leadership of youth to led local change efforts in their communities.
3. Provided opportunities for youth to lead bold conversations around statewide strategy in order to build youth power.
4. Deepened young people’s knowledge around advocacy as a strategy for systemic change and strengthen their skills in being a powerful voice when engaging with systems decision makers.
5. Shifted the narrative of young people of color to been seen as assets and leaders.

Sons & Brothers CAMP

The Sons and Brothers Camp is a week-long camp giving space for young boys & men of color (BMoC) to unpack and heal from their spiritual and emotional trauma, learn political education & learn to create strategic plans to resist the status quo of oppression. The camp takes place in the mountains where youth are given an abundance of healthy food, opportunities to engage in outdoor activities. All of this is done with the guidance of young adult mentors. Fathers + Families took eleven (11) youth to the Sons and Brothers Camp. Here the youth expanded their knowledge on issues of gun violence, systematic and historical racism & the criminalization of communities of color. Our youth were also able to network with youth from across the state and learn the struggles of other communities in addition to participating in the Sons and Brothers programming.

NOPAL Fellows

In December, we employed 2 youth leaders to the Youth & Racial
Justice team. The funding is provided through a Latino Community Foundation fellowship known as “Neighborhoods Organizing Power And Leadership” (NOPAL). The NOPAL Fellowship is a collaboration between University of California (UC) Davis Center For Regional Change & Fathers + Families. This partnership has created a network of support with other CA grassroots organizations (i.e. MILPA). The youth fellows partake in trainings such as strategic planning and leadership building. In 2018, they are working on a participatory action research project, leadership training, street outreach in the Stockton community, a gardening project and civic engagement with other youth in Stockton. They are organizing a youth summit to transform the juvenile justice system and its impacts on all youth.

“Since starting the NOPAL fellowship, it has been a constant growing and learning experience. My first time on a university campus was at my first NOPAL training at UC Davis, where I was introduced to all the other NOPAL Fellows. I learned about photovoice and the power of my story. The best part of this fellowship is the network of mentors I work with always are willing to give me advice and hear me out.”

—Luis Angel, NOPAL Fellow

Youth Led Advocacy & Political Education

Fathers + Families spent the beginning of the year educating youth on advocacy. Youth became the go-to for local and statewide initiatives after other agencies would learned of their capacity and leadership skills.

This year, Fathers + Families continues its policy advocacy efforts and expanded the number of bills we actively supported. Several of these are youth justice bills involving key stakeholders in education, juvenile justice and ending the criminalization of young people of color.

- **February**: 4 youth attended “Equity on the Mall” where Californians from all over the state came together show solidarity with all families being affected by the new Trump administration.
- **October**: 3 youth participants were invited to speak at the “Roots of Resistance” panel in Merced where they spoke on environmental justice issues in Stockton.

Integrated Voter Engagement Campaign

The Integrative Voter Engagement team at Fathers + Families focused on local justice reinvestment meaning shifting financial resources to restorative and transformative justice approaches rather than punitive approaches via school police. The campaign called on a moratorium on SUSD spending on the SUSD PD which received over $3,000,000 in 2016-17 school year and asked SUSD to instead invest in trauma-informed approaches and a district-wide restorative justice program. The majority of the IVE staff were youth participants. Canvassers called and conducted outreach door-to-door to educate community about the needed investment in restorative justice youth programs and trauma-informed approaches by our school district as an alternative to school police.

IVE staff invited community members to attend and speak at the November 14th, 2017 SUSD Board meeting. The coalition built on the strategic plan and came up with the following goals that would prove we are successful in 2 years:

- No SUSD police (disinvestment)
- No more citations/introduction to criminal justice system
- No permanent police presence
- Trauma-informed, restorative response linked with CBO’s
- At least one restorative justice coordinator at each high school
- District-wide restorative justice for teachers
- Policy – progressive discipline – law enforcement NEVER called “defiance.”
COMMUNITY LEGAL DEFENSE (PARTICIPATORY DEFENSE)

The Participatory Justice Defense is a model of activism, in the sphere of the justice system. Historically, social justice movements have united communities to create change. With participatory justice defense, people, families, and communities can systematically affect change in policies and practices that shape the landscape of justice in our court system. From a movement-building sensibility, the case outcome is not the only measuring stick, but just as important to the process is whether it transformed someone’s sense of power and agency. Through instrumental training by Silicon Valley De-Bug, Fathers + Families has been successfully implementing the participatory defense model in Stockton, California since May 2017.
HEALTH JUSTICE

To improve the quality of life for the people of Stockton and greater San Joaquin Valley. HJD emphasis on Stockton’s residents who live in the 95202, 95205, 95206 area codes, by providing basic dietary needs, changing structural vulnerability, and/or providing navigation through the medical healthcare system.

HEALTH WORKSHOPS

Fathers + Families hosted a workshop to Summer Youth Empowerment Group. The purpose was to raise awareness about the health outcomes and risks of communities on the basis of their zip codes. The message was “Race and Place Matters”. She implemented an interactive map activity where the youth marked the places they previously and/or currently live at. The second phase of the workshop was a photovoice project, which required the youth to actually visit those areas and take photographs. They were able record footage of them speaking about the area. The purpose of the project was for the youth to identify parts of their neighborhoods that brought up stories related to environmental justice, health justice, or criminal justice.

In partnership with the San Joaquin Council of Governments, we hosted a workshop on transportation and sustainability needs of the community in San Joaquin County. We collected 102 surveys that consisted of questions addressing commute times, freeway and sidewalk conditions, and sustainability efforts.

Collecting and organizing their data enabled us to gain insight on our communities needs. We discussed their demographics and the effects of transportation in relation to where they live. A majority of the responses show that the people in San Joaquin care about being sustainable, improvement of roadways and freeway safety, expansion of bike routes and the desire for cleanliness of bus stations.

Parks Now

Over the summer at McKinley Park in Stockton, CA, Fathers + Families participated in a roundtable discussion along with Assembly member Eggman and Garcia. The discussion was surrounding the passage of AB 18 (a 3 billion dollar initiative) otherwise known as the Parks Bond, which would improve park conditions, in disadvantaged communities like Stockton. McKinley Park in South Stockton is one of the many parks with poor conditions, full of vandalized equipment, inaccessible bathrooms, and lack of recreation space. Stockton residents wanted to ensure that there was an equitable allocation of resources to parks like McKinley. Several youth and local residents who live near the park voiced their concerns about the conditions aforementioned.

Transformative Climate Communities “TCC”

Fathers & Families of San Joaquin was a co-applicant in support of Stockton’s application for the Transformative Climate Communities grant in November 2017.

TCC is the first statewide program to fund comprehensive and coordinated greenhouse gas reduction strategies at the neighborhood scale. Fathers + Families helped to host a stakeholder meeting and public meeting to educate community members on the risk of high greenhouse gases and to include community voice on the application preparation.

In 2018, Fathers + Families will conduct outreach and community engagement activities in order to improve health outcomes for our most disadvantaged communities and families.
We collected 300 surveys over the span of one year from youth who frequent Fathers + Families as well as participants we reached out to diverse community events and locations throughout Stockton. We serve the most disenfranchised communities in Stockton primarily in these zip codes: 95202, 95203, 95205, and 95206. Hence, the majority of the surveys were administered to community members in these areas. An outreach team engaged with community members and explained the state of men’s health in the area and how the survey sought to remedy this by introducing a boys and men of color (BMoC) health clinic.

According to the survey findings and individual narratives, BMoC in the San Joaquin County are largely concerned about: healthy eating/lack of nutritious food, community/youth violence, and coping with distress. These expressed concerns can inform future medical practices and research on the health needs of BMoC in low-income, disadvantaged areas. The findings also showed that parent education levels are low and access to fresh and healthy foods is lacking in low-income communities, which disproportionately affect people of color. BMoC may refrain from visiting the doctor’s office due to mainstream gender norms that frame men as independent. Another finding is that gender and racial bias may be a possible culprit to health inequities across gender and race in Stockton, CA.

Fathers + Families was a preceptor for 3 Health Career Connection interns in 2017. Health Career Connection is an international organization that connects low-income undergraduates or recent graduates to 10-week, paid internships related to the public health field. The interns were involved in various health promotion projects, such as leading sugary sweetened beverages workshops, conducting research and interviews for the boys and men of color policy report, coordinating a transportation and sustainability workshop, and outreach activities for Fathers + Families’s 1st Health Fair.

Fathers + Families hosted the "My Health Home" community health fair to provide FREE dental, medical, and vision care to the most vulnerable areas of Stockton such as the 95202, 95205, and 95206 area codes. With the theme being "health homes," the Community Medical Centers and Health Plan of San Joaquin was onsite to make a big push to connect participants to their own local “health homes,” schedule follow-up appointments with the goal to reduce normalized critical need and cost of emergency room visits.

At the health fair, 30 nonprofit organizations and government programs had the opportunity to table, educate our community, and offer a variety of resources and services. We were able to serve over 100 community members who would otherwise be unable to access FREE dental, vision, and medical care. We offered free physical checkups, eye care, dental and acupuncture.

Tzu-Chi Mobile Clinics, based in Fresno, partnered with Fathers + Families to provide free optical services to the Stockton Community. More than 20 individuals were able to receive their quality glasses on the spot. All services were for free!
FAMILY STRENGTHENING

To reinstate values, honor, dignity, sacred purpose, and healing for reentry into society and reconnection with families. To strengthen families and remove barriers faced by formerly incarcerated individuals for successful reintegration into society.

AB 109 MEND & AB109 PILOT PROJECT

Project M.E.N.D. (Mentoring, Educating, Nurturing & Developing) AB 109 Public Safety Realignment

Fathers + Families AB109 strategies are community—focused, providing a holistic approach to serving current and formerly incarcerated individuals and families by providing them with consistent, caring mentors so they may learn life skills and develop core values through exposure to resources and guidance.

Case Management:

- Needs and goals assessment
- Referrals and linkages to resources
- Removal of barriers to employment
- Mentorship & Healthy Relationships
- Family Reunification
- Support groups & Classes
- Support Groups, Activities & Curricula:
- Relapse Prevention Group
- Parenting Class
- Straight A Guide Job Training/Placement
- Healing Circles
- Tattoo Removal & Record Expungement Clinics

“Take any positive challenge you can and don’t be afraid to fail. Failing isn’t really an option, it’s more about giving up. When you think you fail, all you got to do is just keep going. That’s what they expect from us and we must prove the system wrong. We are somebody. I am somebody and I am meant for greater. Nothing can hold me back.”

—Carlos Gutiérrez

“I’ve been in the program one year now. Fathers + Families helps others to make a positive reentry into society. They are there for us at all times. They come from the same walk of life. You can relate to everyone here. A lot of carinalismo, love and wisdom all of the time. With the help of Fathers + Families, I got 16 misdemeanors and 2 felonies expunged from my record. This is a second family right here. They always have their hand extended to you at all times. They help with drivers licenses, job fairs and tattoo removals. They are a dream come true. I tip my hat to them for being there for everybody.”

—Francisco Javier Gonzalez Jr.

180 AB109 MEND participants served in 2017!

40 AB109 Pilot Project participants served in first 2 months!
Rapid Response

To advance policies to defend and protect communities of color facing increased hate crimes, incidents and systemic injustices such as surveillance, racial profiling, and deportation.

DA Accountability, in partnership with the ACLU

- “They Call Us Monsters” viewing and Panel discussion; D.A. Verber-Salazar & Public Defender Lyell attended.
- One on one meeting with D.A. Verber-Salazar and Juvenile Justice head D.A. prosecutor Ken Puckett on juvenile procedures and Participatory Defense.
- “Eyes on Ice” Know Your Rights training & community listening session with participation of San Joaquin D.A.
- Project on Community Women’s Forum Q&A session highlighting San Joaquin D.A. Verber-Salazar.
- San Joaquin D.A. Verber-Salazar requested Fathers + Families to attend “Prosecutors to Change the World Series”.
- Advance Peace Collaboration listening session with community organizations, future employment organizations, job trade training opportunities. D.A. Verber-Salazar sent a representative to participate in the dialogue.

- The San Joaquin D.A.’s Office was represented at Fathers + Families job fair, “Nothing Beats a Bullet like a Job.” This event included a job fair with employment and other social agencies providing applications, services and interviews, a live scan record expungement clinic, tattoo removal, and citywide healing circle.
- The San Joaquin D.A. Office attended and participated in our “Frontlines End Gun Violence Summit”. The summit included listening circles and a tribute to Brandon Harrison, murdered two days prior to.
ELDERS PROGRAM

To provide services and a safe environment for the seniors in our community that promote positive relationships, social activities and nutrition. We inspire to achieve better mental, emotional, intellectual, spiritual and physical health for seniors in our community, while recognizing their service, ensuring their entitlements, and respecting their wellbeing.

This is the only free senior based program in Stockton and San Joaquin County that serves our Spanish and English-speaking senior communities.

In loving service to our Elders & Seniors!

- Total Elders Served: 237
- 2017 Meals served: 10,561
- Birthdays Celebrated: 89

Thanks to our Sponsors:

- TEPA, 4 times monthly (Tuesdays)
- First Calvary Church (Wednesdays)

Finding love again...

2 of our Elders found love and celebrated their union at a special ceremony at our center. The downtown Youth and Family Empowerment Center has become so many things to so many precious Stocktonian Families. From a safe and supportive home away from home for youth and children, a warm and welcoming environment for Mothers and Fathers reuniting with their families, a healing center for survivors of violence, an empowerment center and liberating space for movement builders working towards healing and justice. The Fathers + Families Center also serves as a gathering spot for Elders who find happiness, harmony, love and new friendships!

Joined in Matrimony: 12/16/17
Maria Guadalupe Paz & Pedro Hernandez
STOCKTON TRAUMA RECOVERY CENTER

The STRC supports victims of violent crime and loved ones of homicide victims. The goal is to move them towards healing and resiliency and create a better quality of life through healing. The STRC is generously funded by the California Victim Compensation Board and The California Endowment.

2017 was a year filled with transition, expansion, empowerment, and hope! While our community endured through great tragedy, including one of our one staff members and youth leaders, Brandon Harrison, we continue to rise to the occasion and emerge as advocates and healers filled with compassion for their neighborhoods, and doing all possible to uplift the voices of those most impacted by crime and violence!

Between January 2017 and December 2017, the Stockton Trauma Recovery team served 281 individual clients in a plethora of ways - mental health treatment, case management, crisis intervention, peer mentorship & counseling, and advocacy efforts aimed at empowering crime survivors to be leaders. We also serve families and loved ones who survive their loved ones due to gun violence and homicides.

**STRC Impact: Data & Outcomes**

Individuals Served (non-duplicated) & Related Activities:

- **Individual Outreach:**
  - 281 # of individuals registered for services
- **Initiated Therapy:**
  - 116 # of individuals who started therapy
- **Assisted with Cal VCB applications:**
  - 175 # of individuals who filled out claim for victim reimbursement
- **Submitted Cal VCB applications:**
  - 122 # of individuals who completed and submitted their claims
- **Outreach Activities:**
  - 93 # of street outreach activities, community events, etc.

- **Collaboration Activities:**
  - 128 # of healing circles and culturally centered activities
- **Trainings:**
  - 17 # trainings to law enforcement and CBO’s
- **Case Management:**
  - 983 # of total outreach/case management (combined)

Events and activities that the TRC Team led or attended in 2017:

- **Wilmina Henry Elementary School Bilingual Peer Parenting Classes (6 week bilingual course with STRC clinicians, community outreach advocates, and case managers)** - STRC staff hosted Spanish-speaking parenting classes & workshops for 6 weeks at Wilmina Henry Elementary School for parents of students. STRC staff created a mini-curriculum focused on developing healthy communication, coping skills, and parenting techniques that are based on a trauma-informed lens which emphasizes safety, security, stability and empowerment.

- **San Joaquin Valley Health Fund: Equity on the Mall @ State Capitol** - We participated in the Equity on the Mall Event & Rally at the California State Capitol to promote healthy equity and community reinvestment as outlined by health fund coalition partners; particularly, Stockton was highlighted as fighting for increased investments in violence prevention. Our team attended with 45+
representatives from Stockton, including community members and Fathers + Families participants.

- **Break the Silence Community Rally** - STRC developed this partnership with Stockton Angel Mothers in 2016 to assist in advocating for individuals and families who lost their loved ones or children to violence and demanding justice, accountability, and information on their unsolved homicide cases; the main purpose is to encourage and urge residents to speak up when violence occurs in our city. The group meets throughout the year via community vigils, rallies, and other activities related to crime prevention and resource advocacy for crime survivors and their families.

- **Survivors Speak: Stockton “Breaking the Silence”** - STRC staff supported and held space with crime survivors as they gathered with law enforcement, city officials, service providers, and community members to share a message of empowerment and inspiration through storytelling and critical dialogue around issues concerning survivors and their experiences. The message was “healing to action” and what this looks like in daily life and organizing.

- **Survivors Speak 2017 Statewide Conference - Sacramento, CA.** - This conference is held in honor of National Crime Victims’ Rights Week in the State Capitol, bringing together a survivors from all over the state who have survived or been impacted by crime in their communities, as well as experts, to uplift restorative justice and advocacy that encourages healing and survivor-centered organizing that places those most impacted at the center of the movement. STRC sent a team of 25 community members, crime survivors and TRC personnel to learn about current crime survivor advocacy campaigns and to also have dialogue with other survivors intent on sharing their stories to implement transformation at the systemic level.

- **The Importance of Mental Health Awareness Forum** - Fathers + Families & STRC staff hosted this forum in collaboration with San Joaquin Delta College, The Little Manila Foundation, APIASA, Reinvent South Stockton Coalition, San Joaquin Pride Center, and SPADE of San Joaquin; The purpose of the forum was to discuss the cultural and socio-economic factors that lead to mental health disparities within specific cultural groups and the unique challenges the county faces due to our area’s political make-up and changing racial demographics.

- **Queen for a Day - Mothers Day Celebration** - STRC staff hosted a self-care and pampering day for our mothers, who are crime survivors and in need of love and relaxation. Our team organized a special luncheon where our mothers received free makeovers (including facials, hair styling, and massage therapy). 20+ mothers stopped by our offices and enjoyed their makeovers amidst music, dancing and laughter. The purpose of the event was to build a safe space of empowerment and care that celebrated our mothers and their journeys to thrive beyond survival!

- **Stockton Angel Mothers Luncheon** Stockton TRC staff attended this formal luncheon in honor of those mothers who are organizing and advocating for their loved ones and family members who have lost their lives due to violence. STRC stands with crime survivors who are on the forefront of issues pertaining to law enforcement accountability and violence prevention.
- **Crime Survivors Sip & Paint Fundraiser [Crisis Emergency Fund]** - STRC hosted a sip & paint fundraiser for community members interested in painting as a healing activity, and those wanting to help raise funds to support our crisis emergency fund, which goes directly to support crime survivors with necessities such as groceries, transportation vouchers, and other needs that help sustain them during or following crisis. The Stockton TRC raised $500 towards supporting participants in their time of need.

- **STRC 2nd Annual Mixer @ Waterfront Hotel** - STRC hosted a celebration mixer at our local Waterfront Hotel to dine and socialize with any and all those who have supported our movement to create collective and holistic healing for all residents in San Joaquin County and beyond. The mixer included a participant panel wherein clients had the opportunity to share their personal journeys of healing, especially in their transformation from survivors into advocates for themselves and others.

- **Neighbors System-Leaders Dinner @ Market Tavern w/ Mayor’s Office, Sierra Health Foundation**

- **Walk for Healing & Justice Madres Con Angeles** - At the end of November, a group of mothers called Madres Con Angeles - who have lost their children due to violence - rallied together to demand accountability, transparency, and peace from law enforcement and community members within the City of Stockton. Specifically, our mothers organized a walk for healing and justice at the local police department, to peacefully call attention to some of the ways in which crime survivors deal with the issues of their cases, all of which remain unresolved to this day. The mothers gathered together with signs honoring their loved ones, amidst the smiling faces of family members, community based organizations, and other local residents who were interested in supporting them in their platform to prevent violence. The mothers spoke with Latino media news outlets like Telemundo and other social media platforms aimed at spreading awareness to Spanish-speaking populations interested in violence prevention, crime reduction, and justice reinvestment towards healing resources like Trauma Recovery Centers statewide.

- **Fathers + Families/STRC Thanksgiving Turkey Giveaway @ Conway Homes** - For the holidays, Fathers + Families staff knew it was imperative to celebrate the giving season with our clients and participants who often struggle throughout the winter with food insecurity; Fathers + Families was awarded $1,500 from the California Water District offices to buy turkeys for our program participants and their families. STRC was able to give away 20 turkeys to our clients and local residents at Conway Homes. We thank Conway Homes for our partnership to instill hope and happiness in the lives of residents.

- **The Shoe Giveaway @ Movement Empowerment Center for Justice 4 Juwan In partnership with Stockton Angel Mothers & Justice 4 Juwan** - 2 local non-profit organizations dedicated to challenging violence and supporting other mothers who have lost their children to circumstances like violence - STRC staff attended and assisted to disseminate shoes to families in need, some who were victims of violent crime. Every year, Justice 4 Juwan hosts shoe drives to honor Juwan’s life and memory after his life was taken by gun violence as a young teen. We are grateful to Angel Mothers & Justice 4 Juwan for their continued support for our community.
- **Nothing Stops A Bullet Like A Job Resource Fair @ Civic Auditorium** - Fathers + Families & STRC, with the support of its partners and sponsors, hosted a trauma-informed job and resource fair aimed at demonstrating a different approach to violence prevention - one which includes stabilizing at-risk community residents in need of proper employment, while also highlighting the connections between socio-economic conditions and the prevalence of crime/violence in certain neighborhoods. We had over 300 attendees sign up for employment opportunities, received free tattoo removals, and registration for record expungements.

- **Community Healing Circle for Brandon Harrison @ Civic Auditorium** - Fathers + Families & STRC staff hosted a community healing circle to celebrate the legacy and life of one of our youth leaders who was killed due to gun violence in October 2017. Local community and social justice organizers from across the state gathered in a circle of at least 80 people to speak of his life accomplishments, the impact he had on our community work, and the spirit with which he advocated for reduced gun violence and social equity for those Boys & Men of Color most impacted by trauma in our region. Fathers + Families also created a community altar which housed items like flowers, candles, pictures and other special items dedicated to our teammate. Building altars stem from our culturally-rooted, native teachings in which we honor our deceased loved ones with sacred spaces created to celebrate their passing into our ancestors' land, hence our creation of an altar at the community healing circle.

- **On the Frontlines: Ending Gun Violence Summit @ Civic Auditorium** - Fathers + Families & STRC, in tandem with our statewide/community partners, allies and sponsors, hosted an ending gun violence summit in Stockton to conduct critical dialogue and to garner community recommendations/input as to the state of gun violence in our city, its impacts on our residents, and strategies currently underway or innovative models that can uplift crime/violence prevention efforts. This event was hosted in collaboration with over 20 statewide partners and sponsors. We garnered attendance of 350 individuals over the course of two-days. We developed a report outlining practical and innovative solutions to prevent and eliminate gun violence at the individual and systemic levels.
¡MIL GRACIAS!
And our countless partners, especially the wonderful youth, women, elders and families in Stockton that make our work so meaningful! Let’s continue to build this powerful movement for change in 2018 and beyond!

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Brotherhood of Elders
Buena Vista/Miwuk Reservation
California Alliance for Boys & Men of Color
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Latino Community Foundation
LCF, Latino Men’s Giving Circle
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Liberty Hill
Merced Organizing Project
Mexican Heritage Center
MLPA (Motivating Individual Leadership for Public Advancement)
Movement Strategy Center
Movement Warriors
My Brother’s Keeper (MBK) National Initiative
National Center for Youth Law
National Initiative for Building Community Trust & Justice
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Brandon Harrison is a son, grandson, brother, father, community leader, and beloved spirit. He was, and always will be, a rising star.

Brandon was a passionate young man who had an immense love of learning, fought tirelessly for equity and racial justice, and believed that “self-love heals all wounds.” He was a community organizer and policy advocate who promoted health, healing justice, unity, & restorative practices. He was deeply committed to ending the school-to-prison pipeline and will always be remembered in the statewide movement for youth justice.

His brilliant mind and genuine ability to connect with people of all ages, experiences, and walks of life, will be remembered by everyone he ever touched. When he spoke he moved people, often to tears, with his unapologetic honesty, depth of knowledge, heartfelt connections to systemic injustice, and bold visions for the future he believed in.

He was proud of his growth over the last years from a youth participant, to a Fellow, to a Youth Movement Builder at Fathers & Families of San Joaquin in Stockton. He was also a student at San Joaquin Delta College. His goals for the future were to keep fighting for justice, graduate from college, work at The California Endowment or the Capitol, buy a house, and be an amazing father to his sons.

He loved his family and he loved Stockton, his city and home. He was striving to create a healthier community for his sons, Adrian and Noah, to grow up in. He also expressed that in order for him to thrive, he might need to leave Stockton for a while. Plans were in process for him to begin an internship soon with The California Endowment, another step toward fulfilling his goal of working there.

He was a member of the The California Endowment President’s Youth Council, National Youth Transition Funders Group - Youth Justice Work Group, and the Statewide #FreeOurDreams Youth Policy Team. He was also involved in the California Alliance for Youth & Community Justice, Alliance for Boys & Men of Color, Positive Youth Justice Initiative, Central Valley Movement Building, California Equity Leaders Network, Movement Warriors, Neighborhoods Owning Power Action & Leadership, Sons & Brothers, YO! Cali, and #SchoolsNotPrisons.

Brandon loved spending time with his family, reading to his sons, watching Naruto, being outdoors, going fishing, listening to music, and eating his mom’s homemade meals. Above all, Brandon loved deeply and was deeply loved in return, by his family, friends, and countless people whose lives he touched. His legacy will live on and his spirit will endure, always.

We love you Brandon, be smooth.
Our shared struggle connects us all. You can count on Fathers & Families to show up, to hold space and to speak truth. Can we count on you to help transform Stockton?

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