



CAREER ADVANTAGE AND RETRAINING PROGRAM (CARP)

2010-2011

ANNUAL REPORT

FAST FACTS

- Offered 1 class on Interviewing Skills 3 times a week - 250+ Students
- Six part time staff
- Over 600 clients served
- 5 races and many multi-races served
- Many are district residents
- 100% of funding from grant from Housing and Urban Development (HUD) \$200,534

PROGRAMS AND CLASSES:

CARP provides vocational and adult basic education classes to homeless clients. Employment assistance which includes resume writing, job placement, and employability workshops are provided in the Career Center. We provide clothing transportation, lunches, ongoing counseling, class materials, and other items necessary for job search and success in school. We have staff that does outreach in the shelters and provides information and resources.

PARTNERSHIPS:

The CARP grant is part of the County Continuum of Care and is highly rated each year in the rank and review process. We are also part of the HMIS (Homeless Management Information System), as required by HUD. CARP staff served on the County Task Force that developed the ten-year plan to end chronic homelessness. Staff members serve on, and are part of the steering committee of the Santa Clara County Collaborative on Affordable Housing and Homeless Issues; we also serve on several committees to help end homelessness in Santa Clara County.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS & RESULTS:

Of the over 600 clients we served, over 200 were given intensive services and left the program during the operating year, 56% had some source of income at exit. There was a significant increase in income for many clients. The number earning over \$1500 increased from 3 to 23. More than 50% of clients earned \$9 an hour or more. There were several clients who obtained positions making in excess of \$15 an hour. The program had 13 students obtaining their GED this year.

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