

# News From Beacon Housing



### Greetings from Our Founder:

Too soon, summer ended and autumn is upon us! We at Beacon Housing have concluded another successful year of our summer enrichment program for children in the Northwest Pasadena area (about which you can read more details in this newsletter), and relaunched the Garfield Afterschool Tutoring Club. which serves underprivileged children in kindergarten through Grade 5, for the current school year. Having the platform to encourage these young minds, both spiritually and academically, and seeing their promise is one of the most rewarding aspects of our work. Our ability to do so is made possible by your ongoing support, so my sincere thanks to you for your engagement with us.

... Jack Samuelson Founder / Board Chair

#### **Ways You Can Help:**



Donate money, goods, or time



Spread the word to your networks



Volunteer at our next event

### Beacon Housing Awarded Grant from the Rotary Club of San Marino

Beacon Housing is honored to be named one of the recipients of the 2018-19 Community Grant from the Rotary Club of San Marino, which provides "funding for educational and community programs to assist credible agencies and institutions serving children and youth, the elderly, and projects that will improve the quality of life of people in the greater San Marino community." The grant went towards the purchase of new desks, chairs, and desk lamps for our residents at Casa de Alegria. These purchases helped to upgrade the moms' study space, enabling them to do school work comfortably in their own rooms late at night while also allowing them to keep an eye on their children. We are deeply grateful to San Marino Rotary for their generous grant and partnership!



## **Beacon Housing Celebrates Another Successful Summer Enrichment Program and New Afterschool Tutoring Club!**



Beacon Housing just finished another successful summer program! Serving 25 students for 4 weeks in June to July, the program focused on dynamic activities designed for literacy, math, and music enrichment, coupled with outdoor activities at the park and the pool. In addition, the program included one week of Vacation Bible School using the theme "Deep Sea Discovery VBS" this year. Through biblical verses and songs, the children learned that God will be with them wherever they

go. Beacon Housing is also delighted to be re-launching the Garfield Afterschool Tutoring Club (GATC) for the 2019-2020 school year. On Monday to Thursday during the school year, GATC provides free homework help and tutoring in the Northwest Pasadena area to low-income students in kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. We are excited for the opportunity to nurture these young minds to their full potential!

### **Your Donations Impact Lives!**

Wondering how you can help assist our work? If you have goods to donate, including new personal care items, or gently used books, toys, and clothing for women and children in good condition, please do contact Anne Soule (818-409-3065 or <a href="mailto:annes@beaconhousing.org">annes@beaconhousing.org</a>). You can help brighten the day of our residents like this young man, one of our Casa de Alegria residents, who is having a marvelous time with a bike sent by one of our long-term supporters!

#### **About Beacon Housing, Inc.**

Beacon Housing is a registered 501(c)(3) U.S. non-profit organization, founded in 1996 by Jack and Bob Samuelson to provide service-enriched transitional and affordable housing opportunities in a caring community environment. We work with groups in California who are at risk of homelessness, including survivors of domestic violence and their children as well as very low-income families, to rebuild lives from the ground up.