

Greetings from Our Founder:

It's hard to believe we are already finished with one quarter of 2019! We started the year feeling blessed and rested, after a wonderful holiday season during which we shared gifts and good cheer with our program participants. With the new year, we are delighted to introduce some new initiatives, including a new occasional column to share with you the stories of some of our alumni, as well as the launch of our new website and social media presence which we hope will provide you continual updates on our work. As always, what we do would not be possible without your generous and steadfast support. So thank you on behalf of us all, and I hope you have had a marvelous start to 2019.

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

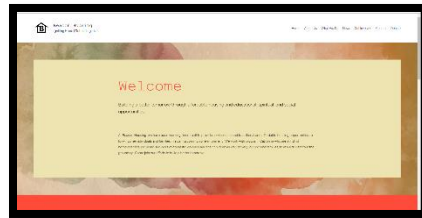
Beacon Housing Spreads Holiday Cheer In Our Community!

The holiday season was a busy and blessed time at Beacon Housing! Each year, Beacon Housing provides Christmas gifts for our tenants at Casa de Alegria and the children of our afterschool program, including educational toys, books, and school supplies that we select for the kids according to their age and interests. At Casa, everyone gets to



open their presents at a great turkey dinner in December – a truly joyous time! At Garfield, we organize a Christmas party, where the kids showcase the Christmas songs they learned for a fun concert. Beacon also participated in the Christmas Market at La Canada Presbyterian Church, where we shared our work with the congregants. This year, LCPC again kindly sponsored Target Christmas gift cards for Casa moms, and gave a very generous donation towards our work for the rest of the year – thank you!

Check Out Our New Website and Social Media Pages!



Beacon Housing is thrilled to unveil our brand new website and social media pages. Stay updated on our events and campaigns by visiting www.beaconhousing.org. The new website features news, stories from our tenants and a convenient link for you to Donate via Paypal. In addition, follow us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/BeaconHousing) and LinkedIn (www.linkedin.com/company/beacon-housing) to stay current on campaigns and causes we are driving, and learn more about how you can get involved!

Casa de Alegria Alumni Spotlight: Laura's Story

Laura first came to Casa with her young son, Adan, after she was badly beaten by Adan's dad and forced to leave her home. During her two years at Casa, she completed the training to become a Surgical Technician, and got a job afterwards at a hospital in Culver City. Recently, she just started a new job at a Veterans Affairs medical center. Even better, after she works with the VA for year, it will pay for her to become a Registered Nurse! These days, Laura works the night shift while her mom watches Adan overnight. Then she picks Adan up and gets him ready for school. She says, "After dropping Adan off, I go home, sleep, and pick him up when school lets out. Then we get to spend the whole afternoon together which makes it all worthwhile! He is six, is in first grade, loves school, belongs to the Dr. Seuss Book Club, loves cowboys and is saving up for a cowboy suit! THINGS ARE GREAT!" Bravo, Laura. We are so proud of you and all you have accomplished!

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.