
Report to the Board of Supervisors:

Santa Barbara County Veteran Stand Down Committee May 7, 2013



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Veteran Stand Down 2012

October 13, 2012

Santa Maria Fairpark



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OUTREACH



WHO ATTENDED STAND DOWN?

- 229 veterans registered
20 vet families
19 were women
94 were homeless



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AGE OF VETERANS AT STAND DOWN

<u>Age Group</u>	<u>Number at Stand Down</u>
23-30	20
31-40	24
41-50	31
51-60	78
61-70	54
71-80	12
81-84	5



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WHAT HAPPENED AT STAND DOWN?

- showers, haircuts, dental exams
- PTSD counsel, medical exams, chiropractic, cancer screening
- holistic health care, flu shots, vision screening
- Access to over 60 service providers
- THREE MEALS--Vets and families received three meals that day
- bus tokens for follow up appointments
- supplies and clothing specifically for homeless veterans (federal grant)
- new clothing, shampoo, conditioner, soap, deodorant
- DOD surplus property--sleeping bags, clothing, backpacks, cots
- kids zone, pet care, entertainment
- round trip transportation from and to surrounding areas



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OPENING CEREMONY





























PARTNERS AND PROVIDERS

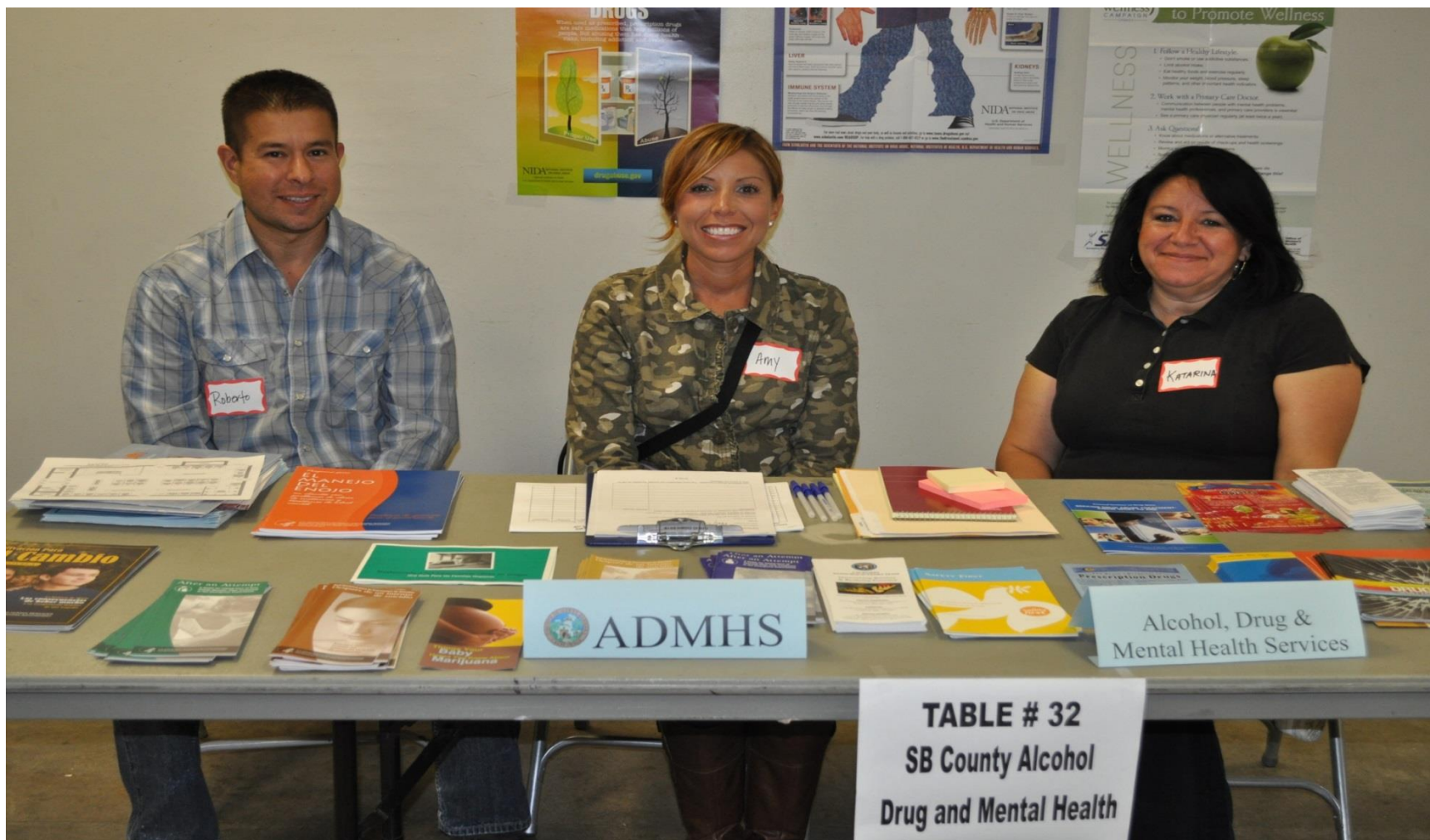
Alcohol Drugs and Mental Health Services
Alcoholics Anonymous, District 52
All American Screen Printing
Allan Hancock College
Altrusa of Santa Maria
American GI Forum
American GI Forum Youth Corps
American Legion Post 371 Guadalupe
American Linen Rental and Cleaners
American Red Cross
Board of Equalization Consumer Advocate
California Conservation Corps
California Department of Motor Vehicles
California Department of Rehabilitation
California Department of Veteran Affairs Cal Vet
California Employment Development Department
California National Guard Family Assistance
Network
Camp San Luis
Casa Esperanza Homeless Center
Catholic Charities
Center for Employment Training
Central Coast Commission for Senior Citizens
Central Coast Vietnam Veterans 982
Chumash
City of Santa Maria
Cloverlane Foundation
Community Action Commission of Santa Barbara
County
Community Action Partnership
Community Health Centers of the Central Coast
Dignity Health
Direct Relief International
Disabled American Veterans Post 82
Express Employment Professionals
Franchise Tax Board Tax Advocate
Game Movers
Gold Coast Senior Options & Dementia Care Assoc.
Good Samaritan Shelter
Grizzly Academy
Honda of Santa Maria
Housing Authority of Santa Barbara County
IBEW
Image Factory
Independent Living Resource Center
InDyne Inc.

Internal Revenue Service
La Verne University
LeBard's Computer Center
Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County
Lompoc Valley Chamber of Commerce
Marc Johnston, DC
Marine Corps League Det. 1340
Maxine Lewis Memorial Shelter
Mega 97.1
Merrill Gardens
Michael W. Moats, M.D.
Mission Linen
North County Rape Crisis
Orcutt American Legion Riders
People's Self Help Housing
PG&E
Pierre Claeysens Veterans Museum and Library
PODs Moving and Storage
Raytheon
Roemer Way Self Storage
San Luis Obispo Vet Center
Santa Barbara Business College
Santa Barbara County Alcohol and Drug Programs
Santa Barbara County Animal Control
Santa Barbara County Animal Care Foundation
Santa Barbara County Cattlemen's Association
Santa Barbara County CEO's Office
Santa Barbara County Department of Child Support
Services
Santa Barbara County Department of Social
Services
Santa Barbara County District Attorney's Office
Santa Barbara County Probation
Santa Barbara County Public Defender's Office
Santa Barbara County Public Health Department
Santa Barbara County Superior Court
Santa Barbara County Veterans Services
Santa Barbara Elks Lodge
Santa Barbara Foundation
Santa Barbara Salvation Army Hospitality House
Santa Maria American Legion Post 56
Santa Maria Breakfast Rotary
Santa Maria Economic Development Comm.
Santa Maria Elks Lodge
Santa Maria Fairpark
Santa Maria Noontime Kiwanis

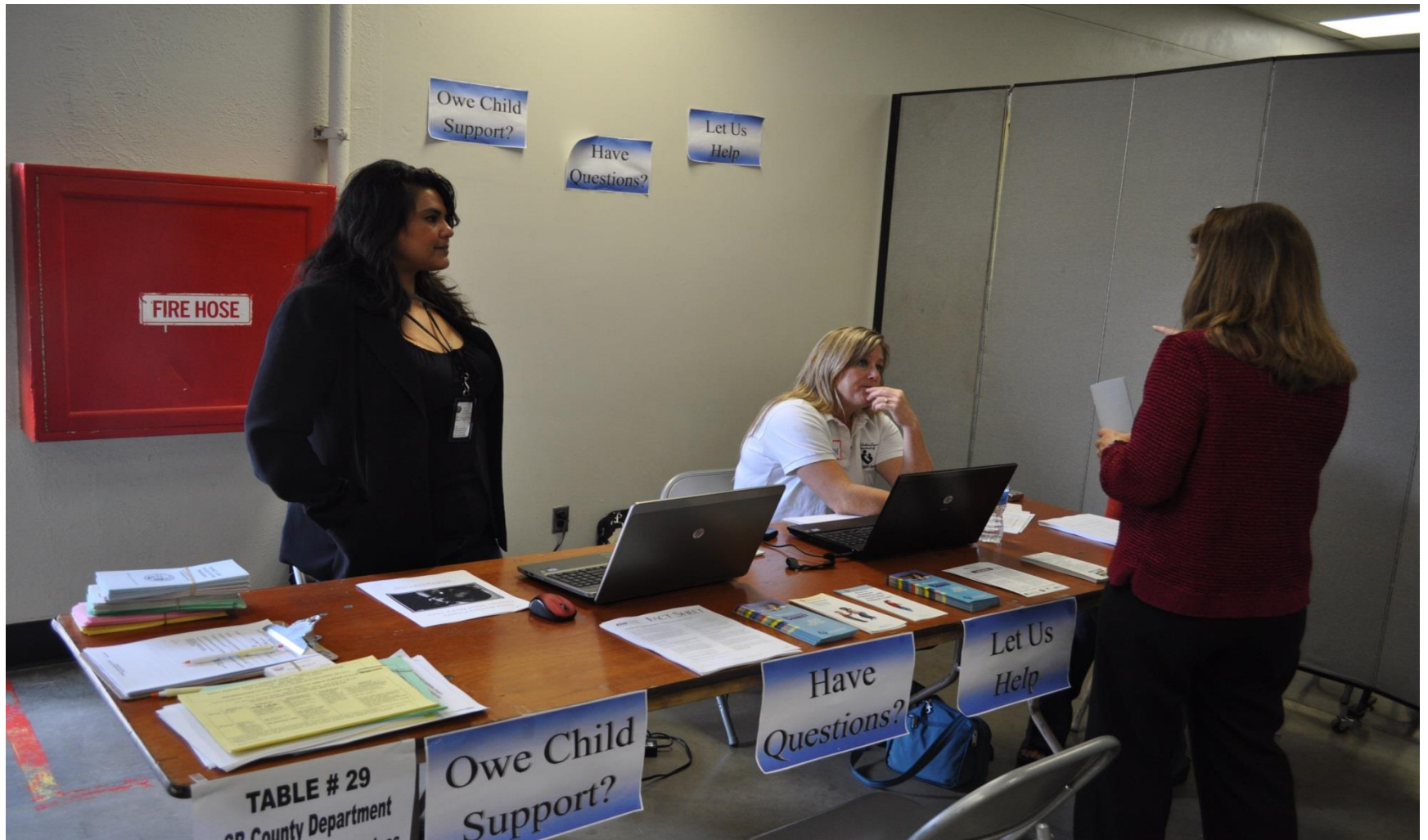
Santa Maria Salvation Army
Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce
Santa Maria YMCA
Semptra Energy
Silverado Stages
SMOOTH, Inc.
Social Security Administration
Sport Clips Haircuts
Starbuck-Lind Mortuary
Sunny Country 102.5
Toyota of Santa Maria
Transitions Mental Health
United Launch Alliance
University of Phoenix
US Department of Veterans Affairs
US Forest Service
VA Santa Maria and San Luis Obispo CBOCs
Vandenberg Air Force Base
Vandenberg American Legion Post 125
Veteran Services Commission
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2521
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 570
Volt Temp Services
Vons
Walgreens
Welcome Home Troops Santa Maria
Workforce Investment Board
Workforce Resource Center Career One Stop



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SERVICE PROVIDER COMMENTS

- made numerous connections with other service providers so that now we can turn that into additional events for veterans.
- opportunity to explain some wonderful benefits to veterans and providers that have come about in the past few years that are relative unknown.
- Thank you for the opportunity of allowing us to participate.
- This event was well organized and an added benefit for our vets.
- proud to be a part of it and thank our vets for their service by allowing us to remain free and secure here at home.



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COMMUNITY SUPPORT

- 500 volunteers from the community including inside service providers onsite 10 a.m.-3 p.m. when services were open.
- 700 total throughout the entire day.
- 100 airmen and women from Vandenberg AFB there all day.
- 50 from Grizzly Academy.
- 30-40 from Conservation Corps that helped set up and tear down.
- 900 people were instrumental in the whole event from start to finish.



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SUGGESTIONS FOR 2013

- Move start time forward to 9 a.m.
- Move BBQ to 1 p.m.
- 2 bus runs—in AM and PM in Santa Barbara
- Get out into and under bridges where homeless are to get word out
- More services for children, i.e., invite Santa Maria Valley Youth and Family Services
- Want more participation by Goleta & City of Santa Barbara Mental Health
- Want Rape Crisis Center in SB to attend



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PLANNING FOR STAND DOWN 2013

- Reconvene Executive Committee
- Approval of Santa Maria Fairpark Contract
- Apply for federal, state, and community grants
- Organize service providers



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SUCCESS STORIES

To Everyone that was involved in the Stand Down in Santa Maria:

- We were able to get some much needed clothes, three wonderful meals, hygiene items, and the best thing of all was the fellowship.
- The kids and I were able to forget the not so great things happening in our lives and enjoy ourselves for the day.
- I didn't have to worry or want for anything for a whole day and that is priceless to me.
- The active duty escorts we were joined with were AMAZING!



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