



Enriching the Lives of Children,
Families and Community.

November 15, 2020

Dear Valued Donor,

We want to thank you for your past support of Action Network Family Resource Center here on our Mendonoma Coast. With your support, we have been able to maintain our amazing staff of youth program specialists, family counselors, and community service program coordinators. Throughout the pandemic, our doors have been open to meet critical needs of local families. Action Network has been recognized this year as a model for what a Family Resource Center can and should be doing during times that are challenging our families and our community from so many directions. Our Point Arena facility is undergoing a major transformation to become a dynamic Family and Community Wellness Center with the help of federal grant funding and with the support of the Point Arena community. The center is scheduled to open at the beginning of the New Year and will provide teen afterschool and child enrichment programs and much needed family support, counseling and legal help.

We realize in these unprecedented times that our community is in need – especially families and children of the Redwood Coast. Despite the obstacles related to COVID-19, we have been able to accomplish the following:

- **Diaper Give Away and Drives**—9816 diapers donated and 8889 diapers given to families.
- **Activity Bags**—1000 activity bags distributed to help provide enrichment for youth during school closures, shelter in place and distance learning.
- **Produce Give Away**—15 large crates of produce from Fortunate Farms provided to families.
- **Emergency Preparedness Backpacks**—95 backpacks distributed with crucial emergency supplies.
- **School Readiness Backpacks**—25 school readiness backpacks distributed to school age children.
- **Chrome Books and Kindle Fires**—30 Chrome books and 10 Kindle fires loaned to students.
- **Gas and Food Vouchers**—80 vouchers food and gas vouchers distributed to those in need.
- **QuaranTEEN ZOOM Groups**— To support youth in building confidence, friendships, connection, trust and confidence.
- **Clothing Giveaway**—Mendocino Coast Children's Fund provided us with leggings, hoodies, shoes and sweatshirts for families in need.
- **Food Distribution**—A new partnership with Coastal Seniors and Fort Bragg Food Bank was formed to distribute food to families and others in need.
- **Child Care License**—We applied for a child care license and expect to receive it by the end of the year.

The New Year will bring more funding challenges for Action Network as Federal, State and County budgets are strained by their own recovery mode. Our grant funding has been impacted by 35% this year, and is extremely unlikely to rebound next year.

Your past support is an indication that you recognize the importance of having a Family Resource Center serving our coast. We appreciate your ongoing participation as a donor and/or as a volunteer. As year 2020 comes to an end, we hope that 2021 brings our community a new beginning -- even better than pre-pandemic -- and we fully appreciate and enjoy all that we have in this wonderful place.

Please consider making a donation to Action Network Family Resource Center. **How to Donate: Mail a check, via our website, Amazon Smile, or include Action Network in your Estate Plan.** An envelope has been included for your convenience.

Sincerely,

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