

# KEEPING KIDS SAFE VOLUNTEER PROGRAM NEWSLETTER



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## CSUF Resource Fair

On Saturday, October 20, 2007, Keeping Kids Safe volunteers, Alvita Hayes and Jenny McArdle, and court analyst and volunteer coordinator, Denise Rowles and Carol Stewart, attended a conference on "Family Violence Prevention, and the Role of Gender Socialization", at Cal State University of Fullerton, sponsored by the Joint Task Force on Domestic Violence. In addition to attending the conference they participated in the resource fair and hosted an exhibit table, providing a variety of resource material on Orange County supervised visitation program services, domestic violence, and information about the Keeping Kids Safe volunteer program. There were 300+ in attendance at the conference. Key note speakers included Alyce La Violette, Jean Kilbourne, and Jackson Katz.



## Welcome New Volunteers

A warm welcome to  
new Keeping Kids Safe volunteers,  
Melissa Piotrowski and Janice Hall.

Thank you for  
making a difference!



## Calendar of Events

**11/13/07 CSUF Human Services Fieldwork Day**

### Court Holiday Closures

**11/12/07 Veterans Day**

**11/22 & 11/23 Thanksgiving and Day after Thanksgiving**

### October Quote



In every community there is work to be done. In every nation there are wounds to heal. In every heart there is the power to do it.

Marianne Williamson

## Volunteer Coordinator Update

Our Keeping Kids Safe volunteers have been very busy. Thank you to all of you that have given generously and freely of your time. Congratulations to Tiwana Reed for giving 24 volunteer hours in September as a Supervised Visitation Monitor @ La Familia and to Jenny McArdle who gave 22 volunteer hours as an Intake Coordinator at Family Court and as a Supervised Visitation Monitor @ FACES. This program continues to flourish because of everyone's volunteer efforts. The Keeping Kids Safe forms (Intake, Custodial, Non-custodial, and Safe Exchange) in English and in Spanish have been updated with new addresses for the agencies and a paragraph has been added regarding the subpoena fees. Please review and become familiar with the information. A HUGE thank you to Retha Roberts and Janice Hall for taking the time to update, copy, and restock the files and clipboards with the new forms!

On Tuesday, November 13, from 12-3 we will host an exhibit table at CSUF for Human Services Fieldwork Day. This event will give us an opportunity to talk to students about current volunteer openings and will be an excellent chance to showcase the KKS program. We are looking for volunteers to help out with this event, send me an email at [cstewart@occourts.org](mailto:cstewart@occourts.org), or call me at 714.935.6478 if you are available to help. By Carol Stewart



ACCESS  
SERVICES  
REPORT

Good News! We are pleased to be awarded the state ACCESS to Visitation grant for FY 07/08—08/09 in the amount of \$86,973 for each year for the Keeping Kids Safe program. Funding will allow low cost, and safe and affordable services to parents for supervised visitation, safe exchanges and therapeutic visitation at FACES and at La Familia.

During FY 06/07, 112 non-residential parents had the opportunity to visit and interact with their children through safe and affordable supervised visitation, and 176 children continued a relationship with their parent. The agencies provided 2482.50 hours of supervised visitation, 40 hours of therapeutic visitation, and 370.5 service hours of safe exchanges. The visits and exchanges occurred in six site locations in Garden Grove, Fullerton, Santa Ana (2), Laguna Niguel, and San Juan Capistrano.