With the start of the new fiscal year on July 1st, 2019, Casa de Amparo has been holding steadfast to our mission of supporting those affected by and at risk of child abuse and neglect, through a range of programs and services that promote healing, growth, and healthy relationships.

Over the past three years, we have made many enhancements to our Residential Services program to accommodate the state of California’s newly mandated residential care model. Casa de Amparo is proud to share our campus is fully certified by the Joint Commission as a Short Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP). As an STRTP licensed facility, we are equipped to better serve foster youth with high-level mental health needs. Our goal is to stabilize our youth to allow for a quick and successful transition to a family environment whenever possible. Additionally, we have added a Transition Preparation Program (TPP) to our Residential Services. The TPP offers our residents the opportunity to live in an apartment on our campus while still being supported with 24 hour care from their Residential Counselors. The residents are engaged in menu planning, grocery shopping, cooking, doing their own laundry, and are responsible for keeping their apartment clean. This step is crucial in helping our youth learn proper independent living skills before transitioning to a different environment once they turn 18.

Thank you, to our donors and volunteers, for working tirelessly to ensure we are able to carry out this much needed transformation. Without your constant support we would not be able to make the essential upgrades needed to keep the Casa de Amparo Campus’ in San Marcos and Oceanside safe and secure. No matter your contribution, you have built Casa de Amparo’s future, preserved our past, and we look forward to seeing where your efforts can take us in the year to come. Thank you for all that you do!

Sincerely,

Tamara Fleck-Myers, LMFT   Kayleen Huffman
Executive Director    Chair of the Board,
Casa de Amparo    Co-Owner Bassett Home Furnishings

Get Involved

Have you seen our campus?
Request a private tour to learn more about our mission!
Call or email Heather at 760.566.3582 or hjenkins@casadeamparo.org.

Host a Wine Drop Party!
Introduce your friends and neighbors while helping us build a wine cellar for our special event auctions.
Call or email Kate at 760.566.3560 or kdusenbury@casadeamparo.org.

Leaving a Legacy

Louise Bradbury was a dedicated staff member of 22 years at Casa de Amparo. Her work in Residential Services helped hundreds of children during their stay on our campus. Louise’s uplifting work ethic was a constant inspiration to other staff. A brick was dedicated in her memory in June and will have a place on the Casa Kids Campus forever. Thank you to Louise and the Bradbury family for your endless love and support!

Interested in planned giving or purchasing a brick to leave a legacy? Contact Heather Jenkins at 760-566-3582 or hjenkins@casadeamparo.org.
Homemakers Heal

OUR VOLUNTEERS

Casa Homemakers are the face of our exceptional volunteer and donor community! We know how hard you work to create healing environments for the youth and families we serve. Homemakers make Casa de Amparo home.

SMART CHICKEN

Jimbo’s introduced us to their vendor Smart Chicken, who is now donating 40 pounds of chicken every two weeks. Smart Chicken is veg-fed, humanely handled, air chilled, hand trimmed, allergen free, and doesn’t have antibiotics. Our on-site chef and nutritionist, Priscilla Mendez, says, “This chicken is definitely higher quality, easier to cook, and tastes better!”

NEW DIRECTIONS APARTMENTS

With donations from the community and Bassett Home Furnishings we are continuously able to furnish apartments for incoming New Directions clients. New Directions has grown from 33 to 44 participants in the past few months. Without these donations we wouldn’t be able to create homes for our youth. Thank you to Bassett Home Furnishings for your constant support! Visit www.casadeamparo.org for more info on the New Directions Program.

HELEN WOODWARD ANIMALS

Every month residents visit with therapy dogs from Helen Woodward Animals Center. Petting the animals allows our Casa Kids to be calm and is a good therapeutic tool for most youth.

BABY SHOWERS

Casa volunteers help set up baby showers for expectant moms in our programs. Baby showers are important for our youth as they don’t always have a solid support network. Showers usually include treats, games, and gifts that the mom will need to help take care of her baby. Our volunteer group known as the Fairy Godmothers make sure each mom feels special and excited for the arrival of her baby.

IN-KIND DONATIONS

In-Kind donations are essential to Casa de Amparo’s programs. Every item donated allows us to keep costs down and put more money toward our programs and treating our youth. We are always in need of In-Kind donations such as hygiene items, school supplies, and diapers.

Interested in joining a committee, volunteering, or hosting an in-kind drive? Call us at 760.566.3560 or email Kate at kdusenbury@casadeamparo.org.

CRystal Ball Committee

The Crystal Ball Gala Committee met to wrap gifts for guests at the gala. Guests will receive Casa Cards made from art created by Casa Kids in Art Therapy. Art Therapy is a great way for our youth to connect with their emotions and work through trauma.

Wish List Needs

Specific In-Kind items are always needed here at Casa de Amparo. Want to host a drive or donate? Use the list below to see what we need most!

- Body Wash
- Hair Brush (Hair Items)
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Size 4 and 5 Diapers
- Loofah
- MP3 Players
- Pillows
- Plastic Bowls
- Plastic Cups
- Plastic Plates
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Vacuums
- Pots and Pans
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Headphones
- Make Up
- Make Up Wipes
- Diaper Wipes
- Make Up Wipes

Call 760.754.5500 to schedule a drive or donate today!

Join Our Family Tree by Becoming a Monthly Donor!

Go to www.casadeamparo.org/donate or email Kate at kdusenbury@casadeamparo.org to learn more.