

Butterfly Grove

2016

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After School Program

The After School Program at Butterfly Grove has been steadily growing since quarter one of 2016. In September we welcomed Lejon Brooks to our team as the Learning Center Assistant. Lejon joined us with almost ten years of teaching experience in various capacities. Since September the program has expanded and is now regularly attended.

Fourteen students are currently enrolled in the program and attend homework help sessions on a regular basis. Students are able to receive focused tutoring and guidance from the Learning Center Assistant who also collaborates with their teachers at school to understand the needs of each student. This approach allows the program to provide tailored assistance to all students.

During their time off, the students engage in educational extracurricular activities. They also have access to computers which allows them to use technology to assist in their school work.



Spring Break

Housing on Merit partnered with the Hope Lutheran Church once again to coordinate Spring Break Activities for the youth. This three-day camp consisted of outdoor activities including sports, art, and games.

We also invited the local fire department to conduct a fire safety demonstration and teach our youth about what to do in case of emergencies. Residents also got a chance to tour the fire truck.

Additionally, HOM asked the Fresno Public Library to visit Butterfly Grove during the break. Residents were able to receive library cards and check out books through their *WithOutWalls* book program.





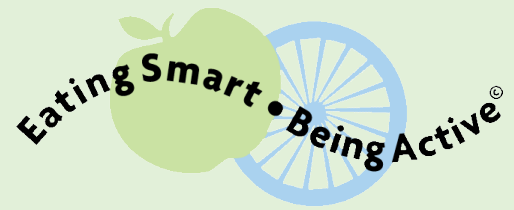
Summer Break

Housing on Merit coordinated three activities during the summer break months. We offered computer classes for youth and adults. Residents were able to learn the basics of computer use from a qualified computer instructor. We also conducted art classes through which children and youth completed a number of fun and educational projects. The art classes were very well attended and were offered until October. Lastly, we also had soccer classes for residents who were interested in learning the sport over the summer.

Nutrition Education Workshop

A resident survey was sent out during quarter one of 2016 through which HOM learned that residents were interested in nutrition education classes. We received a total of 20 surveys back and 66% of respondents indicated that nutrition education classes ranked in high importance for the community.

HOM partnered with the University of California Cooperative Extension to offer a free Nutrition Education Workshop. The workshop consisted of 8 classes to teach residents about tips on how to live a healthy lifestyle, meal plans, recipes, and the importance of physical activity.



Financial Education Workshop

Respondents of our resident survey also indicated that a workshop on financial education was of high importance to them. 75% of respondents selected budgeting and banking classes as a need in the community.

HOM partnered with Wells Fargo's Hands on Banking program to offer residents a workshop on budgeting and saving. The program is tailored to help participants take charge of their finances and reach their financial goals.



Fitness Class

Fitness classes were offered onsite from September-November of 2016 by a certified fitness instructor. These classes were open to residents of all ages but attended frequently by our senior residents who received tailored instruction to meet their physical needs.