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VISTA LA ROSA APARTMENTS

RESIDENT SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT



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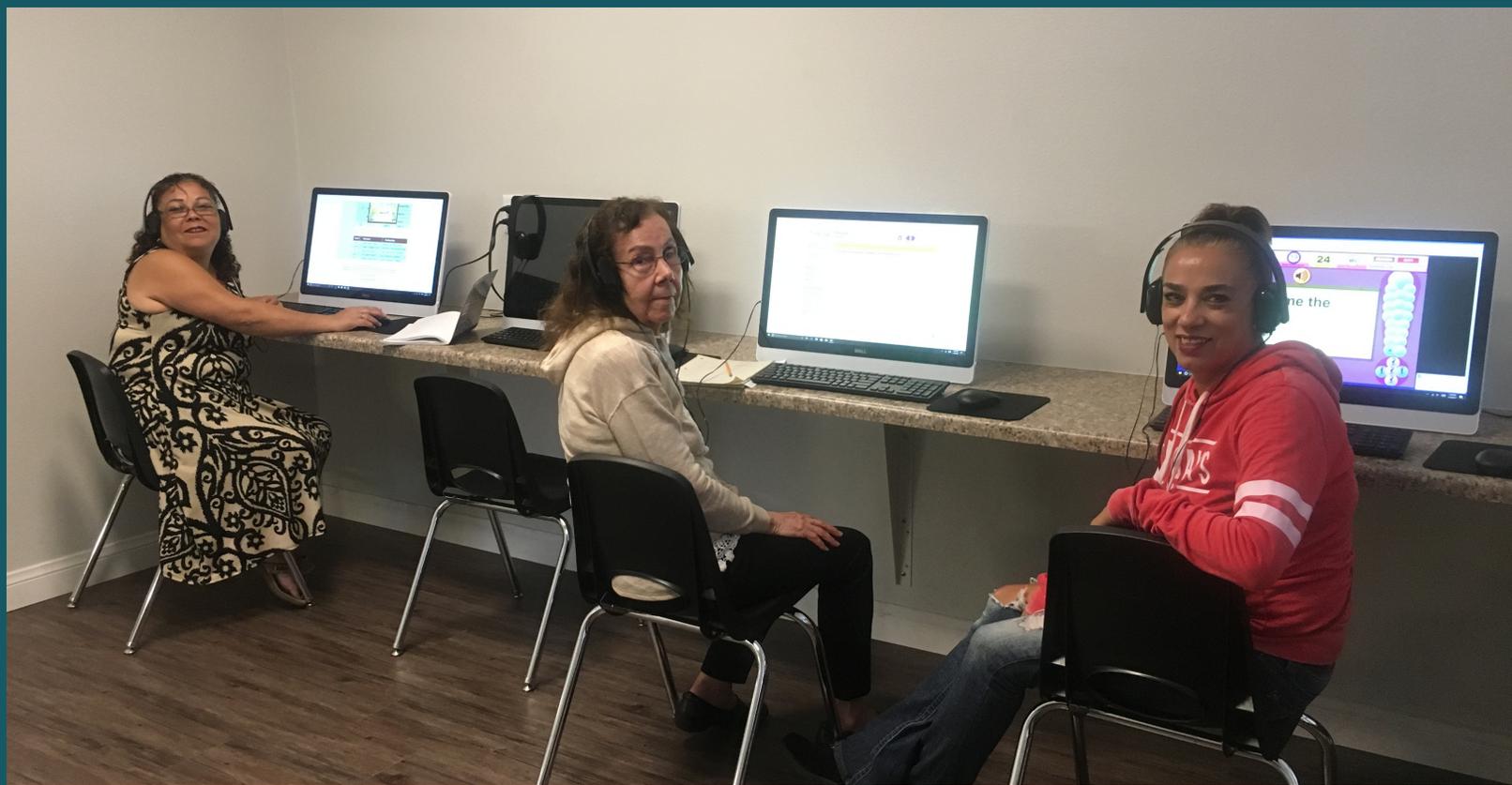


After School Program Update

The After School program enrollment and participation remains consistent. There are currently 38 participants enrolled, with a daily average attendance of 15 young residents. Learning Center Assistant Alexis Martinez is pleased to report that students continue to improve academically and have shown enthusiasm about HOM's recent focus on STEM activities. Participants recently completed several science experiments including a hands-on "slime" volcano building activity. In addition, several young residents signed up for HOM's new Girls Who Code Club. We look forward to continuing to provide innovative STEM-based curriculum and activities to youth at Vista La Rosa through our community partnerships.

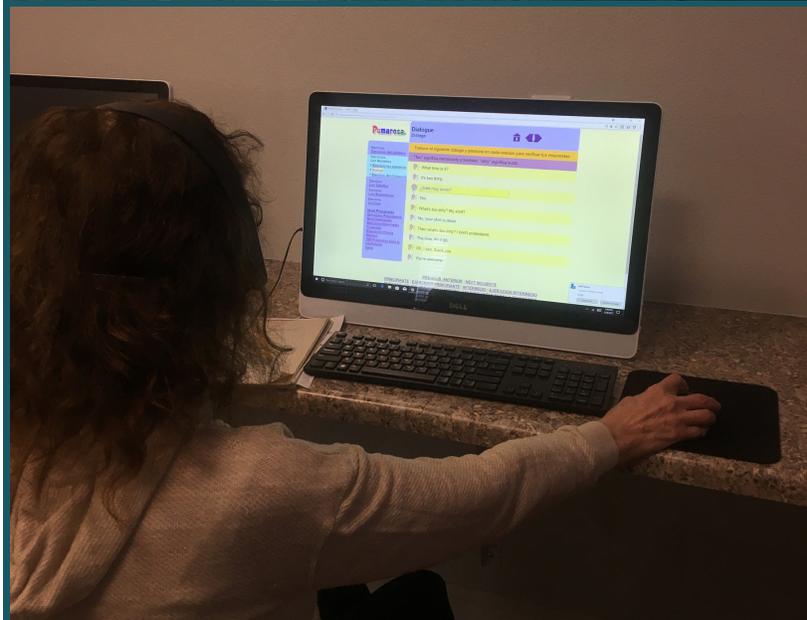
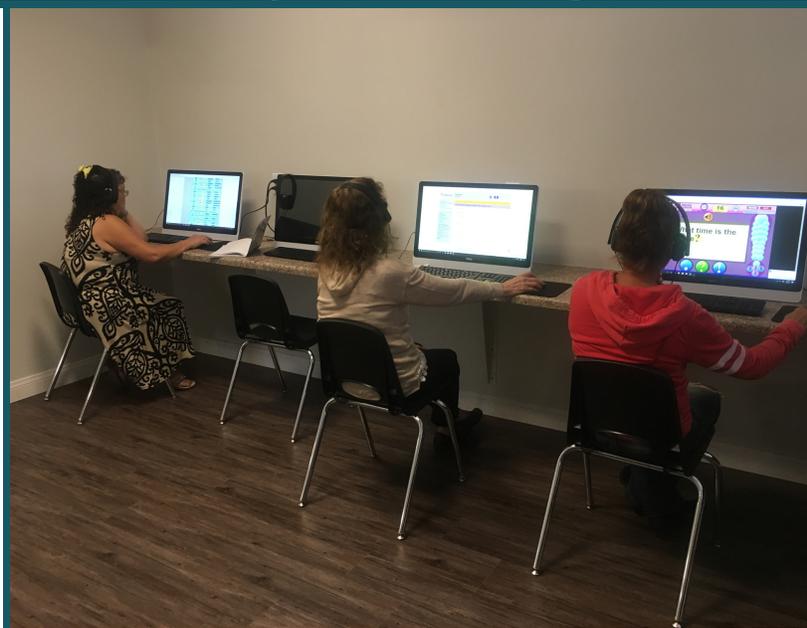
After School program participants are also gearing up for the holiday season by decorating the Learning Center with their festive art, and all are excited for the upcoming holiday party in December! In addition, 42 families have signed up for our Annual Toys for Tots toy giveaway.

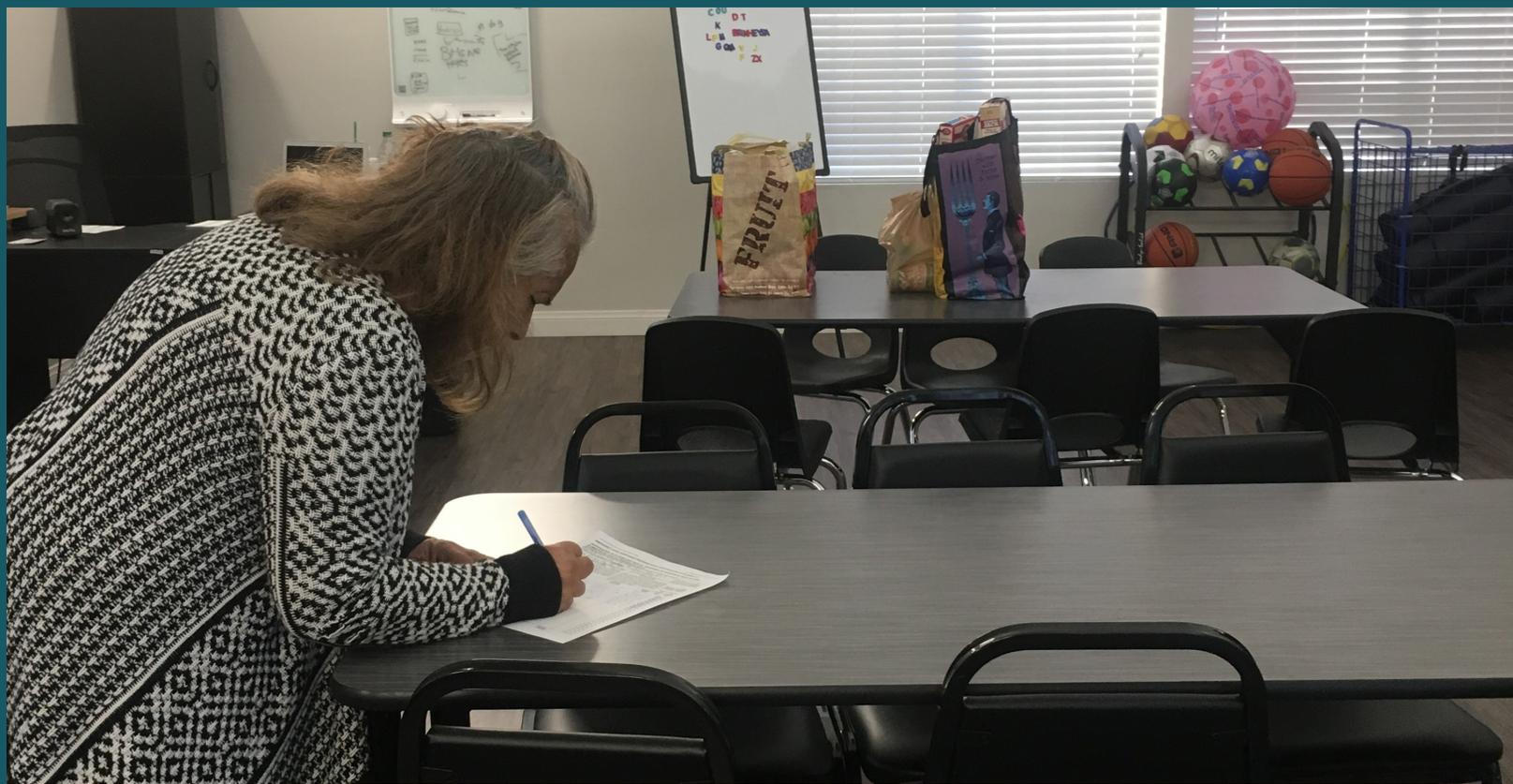




English as a Second Language Class Update

HOM's ESL classes continue to be well attended and several participants recently advanced to the intermediate level English class. Class instructor Roberto Labastida has been teaching this class since March and is pleased to report "tremendous" progress among participants who were initially struggling with the material. Participants are now completing individualized lessons on the computer and producing weekly videos to track their speaking progress. Several residents reported increased confidence interacting in public settings because of this class. One resident, Lily Gutierrez, reported that she was better able to comprehend course materials that she studied in order to attain her fitness instructor certification thanks to her participation in HOM's ESL class. Mr. Labastida anticipates that all participants will do well on their upcoming assessment. Students will be tested in four critical language skill areas: reading, writing, listening, speaking. We are pleased to announce that ESL classes are scheduled to continue in 2018. HOM thanks the San Ysidro Adult School for their continued support of residents at Vista La Rosa!





Thanksgiving Giveaway

Housing on Merit hosted a resident potluck and Thanksgiving food giveaway for residents in partnership with Metro Community Ministries and Nestor United Methodist Church. Through this new partnership, HOM provided 15 Vista La Rosa families with a Thanksgiving food package. Many of our Vista La Rosa families face food insecurity daily, so recipients were happy to receive a nutritious holiday meal. HOM thanks Metro Community Ministries and Nestor United Methodist Church for organizing this Thanksgiving giveaway and for their support of our residents during this holiday season!

