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On Lok Celebrates the Grand Opening of the East San Jose Day Health Center!

On Lok celebrated the grand opening of the center with a series of events last summer. The new East San Jose Center expands On Lok’s commitment to serving seniors in Santa Clara County together with our On Lok Lifeways San Jose PACE Center. Inspired by On Lok’s model of all-inclusive care for seniors, Esther Medina, Executive Director of MACSA (Mexican American Community Services Agency), established a senior adult day health care center at this facility in 1990. On Lok is proud to carry on this tradition of serving seniors in East San Jose and surrounding communities in this beautiful center.

Left to Right: Bob Edmondson, CEO, On Lok and Supervisor Cindy Chavez, Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors.

Participant Profile: Erlinda Martinez

Erlinda Martinez joined the On Lok East San Jose Center about two months ago. Erlinda’s daughter found out about the services On Lok offers to seniors in the community and encouraged Erlinda to give it a try. Today, Erlinda enjoys coming to the center twice a week. Her favorite things to do are physical therapy and painting. She has already made friends here at the center.

Erlinda is from Honduras, she is a single mother of six children and she has ten grandchildren. In her career she mostly worked domestic jobs. Now retired, Erlinda enjoys knitting clothes and making bread. When asked what benefits seniors have when they join On Lok, Erlinda answered: “On Lok is a great help for the elderly and their families. The staff takes care of us, our needs and our health. It is a wonderful opportunity to make friends and be entertained, too!”

Clinic Automation Project: On the Edge of Innovation

Look at these photos: then and now. Led by Sharron Kahoolii, IT Desktop Support, Facilities, Purchasing, Transportation and PACELink Support Teams installed 19 new wall units at five On Lok Lifeways centers, 28 all-in-one personal computer set ups, four wall “arms”, four mobile “Nurse Carts” with personal computers, eight mobile medication carts with personal computers and 41 clinic personal computer replacements.

So, what do these numbers and high-tech computer terms mean? The goal of the Clinic Automation Project was to improve the work space in our clinics, and ensure it is ergonomic and safe. The project also had an objective to make the work flow more efficient by enabling doctors and nurses to have easy and secure access to the electronic records. The installation of mobile carts, for example, helped eliminate a lot of paperwork for nurses and save their precious time. What we have today, for example, is an exam room, where a nurse can show a participant their X-ray instantly, log the participant’s concerns and the outcomes of the evaluation into their record right away, and order the necessary prescriptions. One of the outcomes of this project was also the On Lok-wide adoption of PACELink and the electronic health records system. On Lok has always been on the cutting edge of innovation, and this project is one of the examples of how we work to bring the best care to our participants.
Dear Friends,

Thanks to you, we had another great year at On Lok! On June 19, 2014 the East San Jose Day Health Center hosted its Grand Opening Celebration with many community partners, local officials and guests attending. Today, 30 seniors already enjoy the services at the Center, which can accommodate 75 participants on a daily basis. You can read more details about this newly opened On Lok Lifeways center on page one.

The 2014 On Lok Sustainable Long-Term Care Conference was held at UCSF Mission Bay on September 16, and it was a huge success. Every year, the conference brings professionals in the field of aging to discuss cutting edge technologies and innovations in long-term care. We want to express special appreciation to all vendors and sponsors, in particular, the Title Sponsor, Archstone Foundation, for supporting this annual educational event. We hosted a very special Autumn Magic Celebration. 30th Street Senior Center celebrated 35 years of service to San Francisco seniors. And the Friends of On Lok 26th Annual Generations Fashion Show was a remarkable fashion extravaganza hosted at the Empress of China. Our Development Department has supported these efforts since 1979 and our photo reports about these outstanding annual events are on page 2 and page 3.

On Lok Lifeways has a great update on the operations side. Our Clinic Automation and personal computer replacement helped On Lok create more ergonomic spaces and efficiency in our clinics, ensuring timely data entry into the Electronic Health Record system known as PACELink.

There is also sad news in the On Lok Family: on September 1, 2014, our Director Emeritus, Dr. Francis Lucchetti, passed away. Dr. Lucchetti was a dedicated community member and a supporter of On Lok. He is missed by all who knew him.

At On Lok we would not be able to celebrate all the accomplishments without our community partners, volunteers, staff, Board, generous donors and you! If you want to continue to make an amazing difference in a senior's life or in the lives of 1,300 of your elderly neighbors, I invite you to join us this year and donate to On Lok before the year ends.

Wishing you a joyous Holiday Season!

Robert E. Edmondson
Chief Executive Officer

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2014 Above & Beyond Award Winners

The newest Above and Beyond winners have been chosen! Their efforts have supported On Lok’s goals and the overall good of our organization. Above and Beyond is an annual award, recognizing one direct care staff and one indirect care staff for going above and beyond the call of duty with diligence and dedication. Congratulations to Danny Bi, Direct Care winner and Sharron Kahoalii, Indirect Care winner!

26TH ANNUAL GENERATIONS
Friends of On Lok Fashion Show
October 18, 2014 at Empress of China

Photography by Frank Jang
30th Street Senior Center celebrated its 35th Anniversary on September 27, 2014. The Autumn Magic Celebration: 35 Years of Caring event was held at Patio Español and brought together over 200 guests, including local elected officials, community partners, sponsors, seniors and many new friends! Thank you to all who made this event special!

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Left to Right: Dr. Leopoldo Villela, 25 Years of Service Volunteer Honoree; Tom Maravilla, Chair, On Lok Day Services Board of Directors; and Bob Edmondson, Chief Executive Officer.

Bernardina Garcia, 30 Years of Service Volunteer Honoree, and Valorie Villela, Director of 30th Street Senior Center.

Bea Ceccato receives the award on behalf of Kaiser Permanente, honored as 2014 Outstanding Philanthropist.

30th Street Board members, Frances Burns and Lupe Bravo, present a card made by 30th Street seniors to Kristina Palone, Director of the Office of Neighborhood Services for Mayor Lee.

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Supervisor Wiener and Kritztina Palone, representing Mayor Lee were honored for leadership on senior issues.

Left to Right: Supervisor David Campos, Valorie Villela, and Supervisor David Chiu.

Supervisor Scott Wiener and Susana Galindo, a participant at 30th Street Senior Center, who created the artwork for the card.

Celia Arias, 20 Years of Service Volunteer Honoree, and Valorie Villela, Director of 30th Street Senior Center.

Left to Right: Dr. Leopoldo Villela, 25 Years of Service Volunteer Honoree; Tom Maravilla, Chair, On Lok Day Services Board of Directors; and Bob Edmondson, Chief Executive Officer.

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Legacy Corner

Dora Donner Ide bequest is a challenge and opportunity for On Lok’s donors.

On Lok is a recipient of a challenge bequest of some $600,000 from the estate of the late Dora Donner Ide of San Francisco.

“We have to raise $1.6 million in order to use her $500,000,” said Ian McCuaig, On Lok’s Development Director. It also means that matching gifts are worth one-third again of their value: $1.6 million raised will give a net value of $2.4 million to On Lok.

According to The San Francisco Chronicle, Mrs. Ide, who died in December 1998, willed her $111 million estate to a wide-ranging group of arts, cultural organizations, charitable foundations and universities. The San Francisco Foundation held her bequest to On Lok in trust for several years.

According to The Chronicle, Mrs. Ide moved to San Francisco after her husband died in 1962. She settled in a Pacific Heights apartment and devoted her life to golf, art, horseback riding, long walks on the beach and giving money to good causes.

“We see the Ide bequest as both an opportunity and a challenge,” McCuaig added. “Donors who help us secure the bequest will have the double satisfaction of helping On Lok long-term and of seeing their gift increase in value the moment it’s received.”

On Lok is honored to add Dora Donner Ide to the roster of its Legacy Circle. For information on matching gifts or Legacy Circle membership contact Ian McCuaig at (415) 292-8300 or irmccuaig@onlok.org.
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