2016 Highlights

HEALTH

- Families at low-income clinics received support from Promotoras (bilingual, bicultural community outreach workers).
- Parents whose children have special needs and complex medical cases were able to attend free support group sessions in their native language.

EDUCATION

- 0-3 year olds in Summit County had access for the first time to a Parents as Teachers (PAT) evidence-based home-visiting program.
- At-risk children had access to an early education classroom as they prepared for Kindergarten and Elementary aged students enrolled in free and reduced lunch at 3 schools learned and played in a safe program after school while their parents were working.

JUSTICE

- Survivors of violent crimes received legal assistance and representation.
- Vulnerable families received bilingual consultations; legal representation; and Citizenship services.
A tradition of caring for our community's future...

When the first two sisters of the Holy Cross traveled to what would later become the state of Utah, they were met by a community that had diverse and serious needs, so they set to work immediately.

In their first three months of service, the sisters opened a hospital and a grade school.

More than 140 years later, that spirit of service hasn't changed; it can be found in Holy Cross Ministries' efforts to give low-income students an opportunity for success when others have overlooked them; to support women in escaping the grasp of an abuser; and to prepare newborn babies for healthy, happy lives.

As a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization sponsored by the Sisters of the Holy Cross, we exist because of the need for compassionate, high quality service in the community, and we are committed to addressing this need far into the future.

In 2016, Holy Cross Ministries' dedicated staff served over 4,300 individuals and their families:

- 69% did not have health insurance
- 58% were living in poverty
- 89% were Hispanic or Latino
The Promotora Outreach Program connected 1,457 low-income families in 2016 with basic needs for health and well-being.

592 referrals were made for critical services such as: health access, support groups, and a variety of basic needs.

176 prenatal classes were provided for low-income women at South Main Clinic and The People's Health Clinic.

As a result of these Promotora Outreach Program activities:

- 84% have already successfully received services from their community referral and 67% now have health insurance.
- 53% of surveyed women reported that they'd change their lifestyle to achieve a healthy pregnancy.
As a result of HCM's education programming, 586 children ranging in ages from 0-12 years old had access to affordable, educational, developmentally appropriate programming.

HCM collaborated with the Park City School District to bring year-round afterschool programming to 165 elementary aged students. HCM's role ensures that cost is not a barrier for children enrolled in free and reduced lunch to participate.

53 Students were enrolled in the School Readiness Program as they prepared to start Kindergarten.

17 Families with 0-3 year olds received high quality, evidence-based home visiting services through HCM's affiliation with Parents as Teachers (PAT).

As a result of the Afterschool Program, Summer Program, School Readiness Program, and the pilot Parents as Teachers (PAT) services:

- 78% of the 3 year olds met or exceeded the Language benchmark for their age group.
- 95% of elementary-aged students from HCM's programs reported a 24% increase in Academic Behaviors.
- 82% of the 3 year olds met or exceeded the Literacy benchmark for their age group.
In 2016, HCM helped 2,343 people participate more fully in the community by providing affordable legal immigration services:

- 1,232 consultations were provided to help individuals and their families determine their immigration options for family reunification, asylum, citizenship, or legal residency.

HCM began a pro-bono asylum project involving 6 partners and benefitting 42 individuals.

- 157 applications were submitted for victims of crime (and their dependents) who cooperated with law enforcement to bring their perpetrator to justice.

As a result of the Legal Immigration Program services:

- 100% of those who applied for citizenship and took the naturalization test passed on their first try and became citizens with the help of Holy Cross Ministries' program.
- 164 people gained permanent residency; over half of them were victims of a crime.
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