

Canyon Acres Welcomes Family Solutions

As Executive Director of Canyon Acres Children and Family Services for the past nine years, I'm humbled and honored to be a part of an organization that serves abused, neglected and emotionally troubled children in Orange and surrounding counties. I want to share some exciting news regarding Family Solutions, Inc. with you.

As a longtime supporter of Family Solutions, you have been instrumental in the lives of hundreds of children who have had their lives changed forever by the homes, foster care and adoptions services that have been provided by Family Solutions over the years. It is hard to think what would have become of many of these children if not for the wonderful programs and services provided by Family Solutions.

In 2007, Family Solutions made two significant decisions. The first was to close its remaining group homes. This was done primarily in response to the decreasing number of children requiring residential care as part of their healing process. This decision allowed Family Solutions to focus on more community and family-based services for children.

The second decision was an equally strategic one – to merge with Canyon Acres. This merger has been in process for several months, and has now successfully concluded. All of Family Solutions' programs, staff, children and facilities have now become a part of Canyon Acres.

What does this mean? It means that the vision that built the programs at Family Solutions lives on in Canyon Acres. We have been so pleased at the quality of the staff and foster families that have joined us from Family Solutions, and have been working hard to integrate all of Family Solutions' programs into Canyon Acres. Working together, we will be able to serve even more children and families throughout Southern California.

For over 28 years, Canyon Acres has operated a host of programs to serve local, troubled children. In addition to a treatment center on a Ranch in Anaheim Hills, we provide foster care, mobile crisis units, adoption services, many community-based mental health programs, and even a program to connect children who have no known family to their extended families. All of our efforts are designed to heal the wounds of child abuse and neglect, and to give those most in need a chance at a brighter future.

Your interest, caring, and gifts – whether in time, talent or treasure – will continue to be needed to support these special children. We hope that we can continue to count on you to support our combined mission of helping children in need.

Sincerely,

Clete Menke
Executive Director

P.S. To learn more about Canyon Acres Children and Family Services, please visit our website at www.canyonacres.org.