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THRIVING & DRUG-FREE
COMMUNITY
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**Substance Abuse Coalition Meets
Youth, Parents & The Law Invited!**

Come be part of history. Contribute your ideas to Across Ages & Cultures Coalition’s plans to prevent youth abuse of alcohol, marijuana and tobacco in our Redwood Coast area.

The Coalition recently received \$125,000 per year of federal funding, renewable for up to five years through a Drug Free Communities (DFC) 2012 grant.

Our first year ideas include: Re-growing local teen social media, such as *Mendonoma Teen Voices* through Facebook; updating our Green Book of bi-county community resources and organizations; sponsoring teen and family events such as a Halloween Carnival, Cinco de Mayo, Folkloric and Pomo dance performances, and a Cultural Camp Out!

“With a large youth contingent, parents, and law enforcement, we will be able to enforce current laws pertaining to alcohol, marijuana and tobacco, plus enhance youth access to positive environments and activities,” said Janet Kukulinsky, Executive Director of Action Network.

All community members are welcome to the Coalition’s kick off meeting Wednesday, September 19 from 2-4 p.m. in the old West America Bank Building, headquarters of Action Network’s Point Arena Family Resource Center.

Join the Thundering Herd



Register now for the 8th Annual Gualala River Run: Participate in the 5k walk, 5K or 10k run with many community members. Stay for a delicious brunch created by own Coastal Creations. Win an iPad in our raffle! Register online @www.Active.com or download a form or raffle tickets @ActionNetwork.info.

Upcoming!

- Across Ages & Cultures (AAC) Coalition Wed., September 19, 2-4pm in Point Arena
- Child Health Day is Oct 1st! Promote Good Health, Nutrition & Fitness!
- Register for the 8th Annual Gualala River Run & Brunch: Sat., October 13
- Our 10th Anniversary Celebration! - Honoring our ten years’ of service to the community!

Yes, Kindergarten!



Monsera H. Cruz & Jackelin Cruz proudly display their new backpacks

Thanks to this year's huge community support and donations, 61 students, in six local schools, from Kashia to Manchester Elementary, received school supplies and/or backpacks. For the seventh continuous year, Action Network Family Resource Centers coordinated the distribution of the community's donation of supplies.

Immigration Forum



Grady Gauthier, Immigration Attorney, and Luisa Acosta, Translator

Grady Gauthier, Immigration Attorney, and Luisa Acosta, Translator from Nuestra Casa FRC in Ukiah, led a forum on the new immigration law at Action Network, Thursday, August 30.

The Immigration Forum helped participants understand issues established by the Secretary of Homeland Security that, "Certain people, who came to the United States as children and who have met several key guidelines, may request consideration of deferred action for a period of two years, subject to renewal, and would then be eligible for work authorization."

(in Spanish) El 15 de junio de 2012, la Secretaria de Seguridad Nacional anuncio que ciertas personas que llegaron a Estados Unidos cuando eran niños y cumplen con una serie de requisitos claves podrán solicitar la consideración de la acción diferida por un periodo de dos años, sujeto a renovación, y luego serian elegibles para la autorización de trabajo. For more information, contact Action Network @884-5414.

Volunteer Opportunities

After-school Tutors Sought

Action Network Family Resource needs volunteers to serve as mentors for our free after-school tutoring program on Thursday afternoons. Training will be provided. Contact James Platt Ph.D., Mentoring and Tutoring Program Manager, at Action Network, 884-5413 or at jlplattTSR@yahoo.com.

8th Annual Gualala River Run Volunteers Needed

Youth and adult volunteers are needed for the 5K and 10K Runs, 5K Walk and Coastal Creations runch on Saturday, from 8am to 11:45am.

There are opportunities to help with registering participants, sales, working as cashier, setting up and tearing down of the start/finish area. Volunteer to time runners, compile data for the more than 200 entrants, or help with trophies!

Volunteers are also invited to help with the Coastal Creations brunch: to help cook and serve and/or clean up. Time slots available to work in the Gualala Arts kitchen are from 7am-12pm.

Volunteers will receive this year's collectible 2012 GRR t-shirt designed by Steve Oliff!

To volunteer, call Action Network at 884-5413 or email info@actionNetwork.info.