



The CAPK Times October 2017

CAPK Joins Hurricane Relief Effort

Six pallets of infant and toddler diapers were sent to hurricane victims through the generosity of CAPK's Head Start and State Child Development Program.



The CAPK Food Bank was able to donate 13,000 pounds of supplies including 11 pallets of water, snacks, juice, baby food, toiletries, dog food and corrugated boxes.

If you would like to donate to a Community Action agency that serves in the areas affected by Hurricane Harvey, Maria and Irma, click [here](#).

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~ Jeremy Tobias, CEO



The figurative and actual storms of life are unpredictable. Each can be devastating and seemingly unending at times.

Yet, therein lies hope. Hope for better days, healing and a brighter future ahead. CAPK offers immediate and ongoing assistance with compassion whether the need is food, utility assistance, support for migrant families or new mothers, childhood education and

childcare, no-cost tax preparation services, information and referrals -- during crisis and everyday challenges, after-school, summer and pre-employment programs for youth, parenting and nutrition classes, access to social services and more.

CAPK was honored to be numbered among those who sent relief items to help the Hurricane victims in Texas. **Our thoughts continue to be with the families and communities across the nation and around the world experiencing loss through these untimely storms of life.**

2-1-1 provides comprehensive information and referral services that link Kern County residents to community health and human services for support.

Simply call 2-1-1 to connect or visit

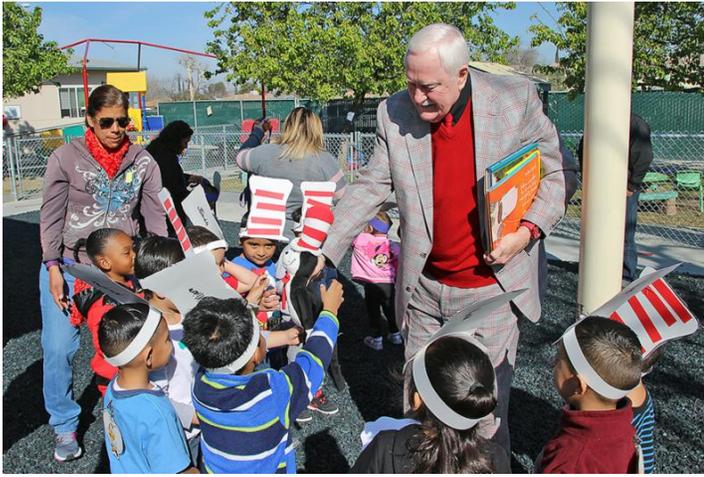
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Head Start Helps Children Grow Healthy & Happy!

While reading "Rainbow Fish", children at the Vineland Head Start Center are learning about respect, feelings and emotions.





Name Changing Ceremony

October 16th is the name changing ceremony of the Stine Child Development Center to the Harvey L. Hall Child Development Center.

"The recommendation for the name change, which came from staff, reflects Mr. Hall's long-standing commitment to CAPK and our Head Start/ State Child Development Programs, in particular the Stine Child Development Center, for which Mr. Hall has devoted his personal time and resources to help the center be more welcoming to both children and staff," said CAPK CEO Jeremy Tobias,



The San Joaquin Early Head Start team promotes literacy for families at "Family Day in the Park" in Stockton, CA.

CAPK Food Bank

Feed the Need!

Thanks to the help and generosity of the community in partnership with the Kern County Fair, **Feed the Need collected 54,118 lbs. of food to assist food insecure individuals and families in Kern County.**



Drought Emergency Food Assistance Program by the Numbers

Since 2014

- 535 distributions conducted at over a dozen sites +
- 400,071 boxes distributed/12 million pounds, and
- 159,024 households/1,083,989 individuals served



A BRIGHT Idea - CAPK Using Solar to Fight Hunger!

CAPK flipped the switch this summer to 504 photo-voltaic panels mounted on the CAPK Food Bank roof top, generating 250,000 kilowatts of clean energy per hour!

This will reduce electricity costs by up to \$50,000 a year, with savings being reinvested to feed families and individuals in need in Kern County.



[Click here for ticket information.](#)

Tickets are \$20 per person.

Congrats Alex

Prep Works graduate Alex Catalan was hired at the Starbucks Weedpatch Highway location after speaking on August 16th where CAPK was awarded a \$30,000 grant award for the Friendship House Community Center's Prep Works program.



Rabobank Food Drive

Join us in fighting hunger in Bakersfield

Enjoy a **FREE hot dog and FREE gift** at the Condors party on the plaza on Saturday, October 14, 2017.

All food collected will benefit the CAPK Food Bank and go to our local families in need.



Visit www.bakersfieldcondors.com to get your tickets for the big game!



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