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A Center for Resources . . . A Catalyst for Change

GREETINGS . . .

Dear Community Member,

Since we have last been in touch many exciting programs and happenings have occurred due to the presence and success of Community Chest in Storey County. Thanks to you, our readers, volunteers and donors, as well as the invaluable staff at CCI and our Executive Board for maintaining our strong presence and support in the community.

In this edition we will update you on the Community Center Phase I Construction and the addition of the HAWC Clinic to this space. We will also reflect on some of the programs and happenings of the last summer and highlight an outstanding CCI staffer, Adam Young.

Once again, thank you for taking the time to read CCI's new quarterly newsletter. Please visit our [website](#) to keep up with the latest news, events and to donate.

Sincerely,
Community Chest, Inc. Executive Board and Staff

About Community Chest, Inc.

MISSION

To act as a catalyst for change and a center for resources to help people help themselves, as together we build strong and healthy families and communities.

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Community Center Update

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Work is currently in progress to complete Phase I of the building. We thank the many generous supporters which made the building possible: Storey County, US Congress, Nell J. Redfield Foundation, Robert Z. Hawkins Foundation, Schwab Bank, Terry Lee Wells Foundation, NV Energy Foundation, Thomas and Thelma Hart Foundation, Barrick Gold Corporation and dozens of other donors, private and public, large and small.



On or about November 1, 2011, HAWC will move its medical care services to the Community Center. We spoke with HAWC's CEO Dan Ahearn about this transition, "HAWC has been providing primary medical care at its current location, 476 North "B" street, for the past two years. The new Community Center is a much more convenient and spacious location to serve our patients. Our phone number will remain the same [\(775\) 284-3570](tel:7752843570).

Starting shortly after the New Year of 2012 we will have a medical provider available Monday thru Friday. It is our hope and vision that in the not too distant future we will be able to provide oral health care for the region."

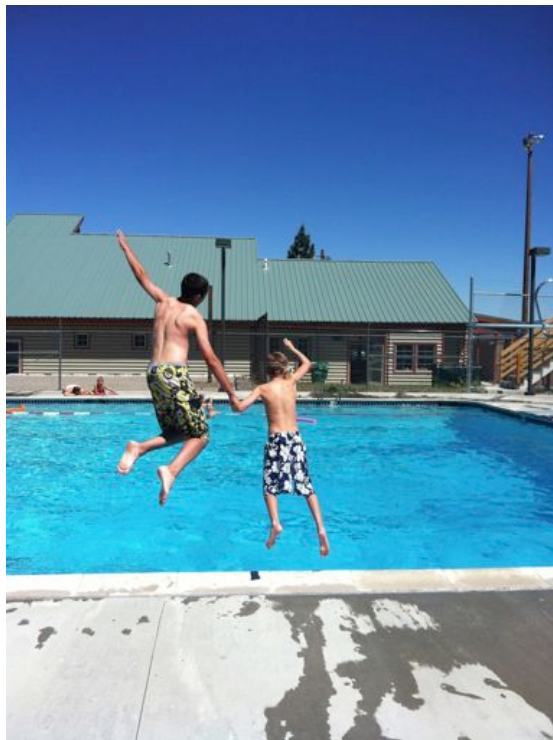
We look forward to welcoming HAWC staff and patients to the Community Center with a celebration in the coming months. We will keep you posted as soon as more information is available.

Summer Program





One of the most important and integral services of any community is care for our children. For a least a decade now, Community Chest has created a place for them to be during summer & before/after school. Since the grand opening of the Community Center last Spring, the building has been filled with fun and activity, hosting before/after school care and a Summer Program for children Kindergarten thru 5th grade. This year the Summer Program flourished in the new space. This space truly does belong to the children. Thanks to Kenny Goss , Sharon Lee and Adam Young for overseeing and creating a fun and engaging program for children to learn, grow and be safe in. With direct access to Miner's Park and the County Swimming Pool, the program was a success for parents and children.



We asked parent and CCI Board President, Michelle Gamble, to talk about what the summer program means to her, her husband and their children, "My two children LOVE CCI's summer and before/after school programs! The creative and fun activities from learning about different cultures to going on treasure hunts around Virginia City to receiving help on their homework make my children look forward to spending time in the program. The staff is great and the new building was perfect for fostering fun and learning over the summer. As a two-working parent household, the CCI children's programs provide us with an option

where we know our children will be safe and receive quality care!"



Our Outstanding Summer CCI Staff Member

Each newsletter we shine the spotlight on an outstanding Community Chest team member. This month we talked with part-time staffer of the Summer Program and CCI Youth Board member Adam Young.

Adam is currently a Senior at Virginia City High School. An only child, he grew up here on the Comstock in Gold Hill with his parents Bert and Vicky Young. During his elementary school days Adam participated in the Community Chest summer and after-school programs. It was his time and experience in these programs that prompted his desire to return as a mentor. Not only is Adam's presence known in the summer months, he also volunteers as a tutor during the school year.



In addition to tutoring, Adam finds himself busy with sports. He is an athlete, participating in Cross Country, Varsity Basketball and is an avid skier. When asked which one of these he likes to do the most, Adam replied "It's hard to pick just one thing, everything I do is fun."

And, speaking of fun, one very fun aspect of his summer was the opportunity to travel to Europe. Adam was nominated as a student leader and selected to travel with 48 other Northern Nevada teens through People to People, an Ambassador program which promotes peace through understanding. In a whirlwind three weeks, the group visited Amsterdam, Belgium, France, the United Kingdom and Ireland. Adam's favorite spot was Paris, "it is the most awesome city" he said.





Adam (center) visiting the Eiffel Tower this summer

In talking with Adam his bright enthusiasm, genuine nature, and interest and excitement about things to come perpetuates from his being. After high school he plans to work another summer with the CCI program and is then headed off to College. Adam is currently applying to Liberal Arts schools. With a desire to travel and be out and about in the world he wants to study international policy.

Until then, we are thankful to have Adam as a Youth Board member, mentor, tutor and community member, making a positive impact on the youth of Storey County.

Happenings: 4th of July Parade

In case you missed the annual 4th of July parade in Virginia City, we thought we would bring you some of our favorite highlights :)



Many of the children from the summer and before/after school programs along with parents and community volunteers came out to make CCI's presence memorable and fun.





A BIG thank you to Henry Jones for leading us down the parade route!



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