



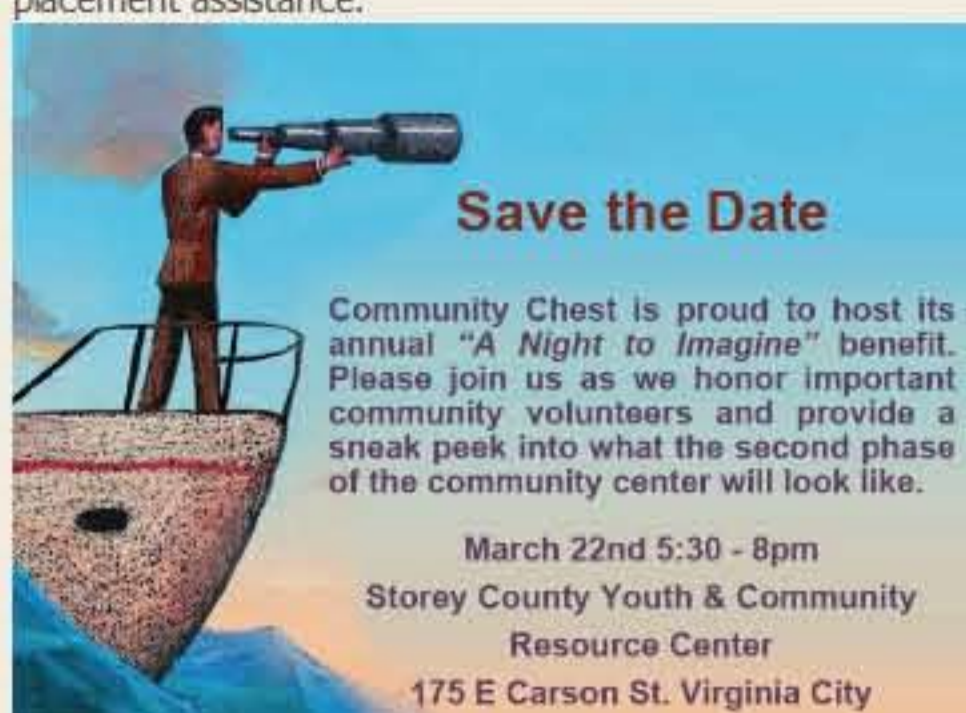
Community Chest, Inc.

A Center for Resources . . . A Catalyst for Change

A Night to Imagine

Community Chest is proud to host its annual "A Night to Imagine" benefit *tomorrow night* Friday, March 22, 2013 from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm at the Storey County Youth and Community Resource Center, 175 E Carson St., Virginia City. The benefit will honor important community volunteers and the plans for the phase 2 of the community center will be unveiled.

Tickets for the event can be purchased at www.communitychestnevada.net. Fantastic prizes include Disneyland tickets, Peppermill and Wine Country packages and more. Proceeds from the event will assist in supporting Community Chest's ongoing operations and diverse services including counseling, family advocacy, youth enrichment programs, and employment placement assistance.



Upcoming Events

MARCH 22 A Night to Imagine 5:30-8pm

Our 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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New Cow Bus in Lyon County

On December 7, 2012, we celebrated the completion of the new COW Buses at a reception hosted by ProTech RV. Representatives from Lyon County School District, the Nevada Department of Education, and Community Chest as well as community members and families attended. Speakers included Erik Schoen, Program Director, Community Chest; Cindy Boyd, Coordinator of the COW Bus Program; Claudia Fadness, Director of the Lyon County School District Striving Readers Grant; Terry McTimmonds, Pro Tech RV (retrofitting and design of the new buses); and Gary Fox, Fox performance (exterior of the buses).



The Lyon County School District was one of four school districts in Nevada to be funded through the Striving Readers Grant. This federal grant provides funding to support literacy PreK to high school. The Lyon County School District partnered with our Classroom On Wheels program to expand access to PreK education for four year olds in Lyon County. The grant provided funding for two new buses, instructional materials and technology for all the COW Buses, professional development and salary support.

The COW Bus's newest location started this past fall at Sutro Elementary School in Dayton. We welcome our new teacher Kelly Rauhut. "Mr. Kelly" has over 10 years teaching experience, and is a great addition to our teaching staff.



The Community Chest, COW BUS preschool program provides early education instruction based on the Nevada PreK Standards. Classes are 2.5 hours, four days a week in locations across Lyon and Storey counties. The classes are provided in retrofitted buses, equipped with learning centers, technology and a bathroom. COW Buses are located in Fernley, Dayton, Stagecoach and Mark Twain. The Cow Bus supports a comprehensive school readiness curriculum that prepares children for kindergarten in language & literacy, math, science, art, music, self-help skills and socialization based on the Nevada Pre-Kindergarten Content Standards.

Global Voice Travel to Costa Rica

Global Voice members traveled to La Fortuna, Costa Rica in January to volunteer at the Hogarcito Orphanage. The Global Voice project team included: Cora Jeffreys, McKenna Fletcher, Matthew Fickus, Tiffani Curtis, Jacob Pond, Lucy Pitto, Sakura Brandon, Kaelyn Uken, Darren McKay, and Rachel Breithaupt. Volunteer projects included room painting, gardening, and develop lasting relationships with the community.



Global Voice promotes youth leadership and development through cultural exchange and service-learning—a concept where learning takes place through volunteer service projects that benefit a communities at home and abroad.