# SO MUCH TO SAY!

# **November Newsletter**



We would like to take a moment to extend gratitude to our incredible coalitions, staff, partners, donors, our inspiring community, and to all of those who believe we are stronger together. Your generosity and passion are the driving force behind our ability to make an impact.

Thank you for your unwavering dedication to making a positive difference in the lives of others in our community!



# **Leading the Way Awards**

We are excited to share that SAY San Diego's Health Equity and Care Navigation Team was awarded a Distinguished Service Award from Blue Shield Promise Health Plan at their very 1st Leading the Way Awards Program!





During the holidays, many families in San Diego, especially those from under-resourced backgrounds, struggle with making the holidays special for their children and loved ones amidst the increased cost of living.

By giving to our Holiday Hopes campaign, you can alleviate some of their financial stress and help them create holiday memories with their families that will last forever!



Donate Here

Make sure Medi-Cal can reach you. Visit KeepMediCalCoverage.org to learn how to log in and check that Medi-Cal has your current contact information - and update it if you need to.

**Keep Your Medi-Cal** 





### 11/23/2023: Community Garden

Spend some time prepping our garden with healthy soil and planting seedlings! Bring your green thumbs, dress for dirt, and grab some sunscreen and water

When: 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Where: 3487 Santo Road, San Diego, CA 92124

#### 11/23/2023: Toddler & PreSchool Story Time

This story time program for children aged 2-4 includes books, songs, games,

and early literacy fun! A to-go craft will be provided at the end. When: Nov. 23, 30, and Dec. 7 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

Where: Community Room, Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway,

San Diego, CA 92108

### 11/24/2023: San Diego Military Family Collaborative

Join military service providers as well as military families and network with representatives from over 150 organizations!

When: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

For more information

#### 11/29/2023: Play Groups Winter Holiday Ornaments

Calling All Parents & Kiddos aged 1-5! Join us for fun & learning with activities to connect and meet some new friends. Each Playgroup includes a

fun-filled story, craft, and/or activity!

When: 10:00 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Where: 3487 Santo Road, San Diego, CA 92124

## 11/29/23: Parents Unite Meeting

Join us to connect with supportive services, chat resources, learn drug

trends and how to prevent substance use!

When: 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Where: Valencia Park Elementary Auditorium RSVP by texting "Coming" to 619-736-4345.

For more information

#### 11/29/2023: Dads Corps Parenting Program

Dads Corps is an 8-week, peer-based learning group that leads parents through key learning areas including: Communication, Positive Discipline, Child's Growth, and more. Programs occur over 8-weeks. Opportunities to receive gift cards, workforce support, access to legal clinics, and more.

When: Next Cohort starts on 11/29, enroll now!

Contact <u>Jessica.Chiesman@saysandiego.org</u> for more info

#### 12/7/2023: Monthly Food Distribution When: 2:30 p.m. until supplies last

Where: 744 Beardsley St., San Diego, CA, 92113

## 12/10/2023: Play Day at the Museum of Contemporary Art SD

When: 10:00 a.m - 1:00 p.m.

Where: 700 Prospect Street, La Jolla, California 92037

## A Great Place to Work



We're currently hiring! SAY San Diego has been consistently selected as a Top Workplace Award winner, qualifying SAY as one of the best places to

work in San Diego, based on employee surveys.

In this video, Senior Program Director of our Child Youth and Development unit Iriz Stone shares how meaningful the past 21 years of work at SAY San Diego have been for her.

# **Annual Report**



To see more examples of SAY San Diego's values in action, take a look back at the incredible work we have achieved during 2022.









