



CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES' NEWSLETTER



WELCOME TO OUR NEW HEADQUARTERS!

Over the past few years, Child & Family has been seeking a new headquarters to house our outreach and administrative offices; one large enough to accommodate future agency growth. We are excited to say that we have found that new home. Through continued community support, Child & Family Services was able to purchase the building at 3057 Acushnet Avenue in New Bedford.

"We are lucky enough to be an expanding workforce and now we have plenty of room to grow," said Executive Director Anne Sampao. "Our guests were amazed by the transformation that the building went through," she added. The new site is home to over 120 staff from our outreach programs and 22 administrative staff.

In celebration of this achievement, Mayor Jon Mitchell joined us for a ribbon cutting ceremony, kicking off our open house for the public on June 28. Also present were State Representatives Robert Koczera and Antonio Cabral, accompanied by Ward 1 Councilor James D. Oliveira. We received a warm welcome from our officials as well as neighboring businesses and residents.

Our wide range of programs and services include adoption, mental health counseling, family support, mentoring, and psychiatry. We help more than 18,000 people each year in Southeastern Massachusetts. As our agency continues to expand, our mission "...to heal and strengthen the lives of children and families" continues to be at the forefront of all our efforts. ■



SUPPORT FOR CHILD & FAMILY IN FULL SWING!



“This is our 8th year hosting the Charity Golf Invitational, and I am happy to say the commitment level from all of our event sponsors and participants is as strong as it was from year one! This speaks volumes about Child & Family Services and the quality of the event.”

-ANTHONY CORDEIRO
PRESIDENT, CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES

Tuesday June 11th marked the 8th annual Charity Golf Invitational, sponsored by Commonwealth Landing, to benefit the programs at Child & Family Services. Thanks to our generous sponsors and participants, Child & Family raised over \$101,000! Kicking off the day, Rene Rancourt, singer at the Boston Bruins’ games greeted the 144 golfers as they arrived and kicked off the tournament with his very powerful and unique rendition

of the National Anthem. After a great day out on the course, everyone returned to the clubhouse for the reception dinner and awards ceremony. Special guests from Child & Family’s Big Brothers Big Sisters program, Deanna Bodeau and ‘Little’ Nigel, were presented with a check in the amount of \$10,000 to help children in Greater New Bedford find mentors. ■



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A NEW PALETTE OF POSSIBILITIES

Sadee is a passionate artist; there is no doubt about it. Her detailed sketches and drawings clearly reflect her innate ability.

Sadee, who recently celebrated her 18th birthday, joined the Therapeutic Mentoring program at Child & Family Services in New Bedford about a year and a half ago. Since then her mentor, Erin, has introduced her to painting, which became a routine as they experimented with different materials and styles.

After completing several works, Erin suggested they host an art show downtown to display some of Sadee's paintings. Wanting to help Sadee showcase her artwork even further, Erin supported Sadee in contacting the principal at the Whaling City High School, which Sadee currently attends, about painting a mural in one of the hallways.

Deciding on a galaxy landscape scene, Sadee and Erin began working diligently on the project in November of 2012. Each time they met, they went to the high school equipped with their paint and brushes. It was a long process, but on June 12 it was finally finished!

"It took us a long time," said Erin, "but it was a big accomplishment for her. She was really happy to complete it."

Sadee continues to pursue painting and drawing as a hobby and considers it a potential career path. Since she began painting with Erin she has even

sold some of her work, reassuring Sadee's confidence in her skills.

"She is a talented artist and enjoys creating," said Erin. "She has a great imagination and expresses herself through art." ■



NEW SITE DIRECTOR



We are proud to announce that Chanda Coutinho, LICSW, is the new site director for our mental health clinic at 1061 Pleasant Street in New Bedford. Chanda has been employed by CFS for the past 11 years, starting out as a clinical school-based therapist

and transitioning to clinical team leader and then school-based program director.

"Some of my goals are to increase the amount of support groups offered to the community and increase our collaboration with community partners," said Ms. Coutinho. "I'd also like to see an expansion of our clinical services for site-based clinicians and continue to grow the school-based program."

HOMETOWN HEROES

- **Anonymous Donor**
\$10,000 to help support higher education for needy clients.
- **The Friends of Child & Family Services**
\$1,700 for the Caring Network to help children between the ages of 4 and 12 who witness violence in their homes, schools, and communities.
- **Leadership SouthCoast - Class of 2013**
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