

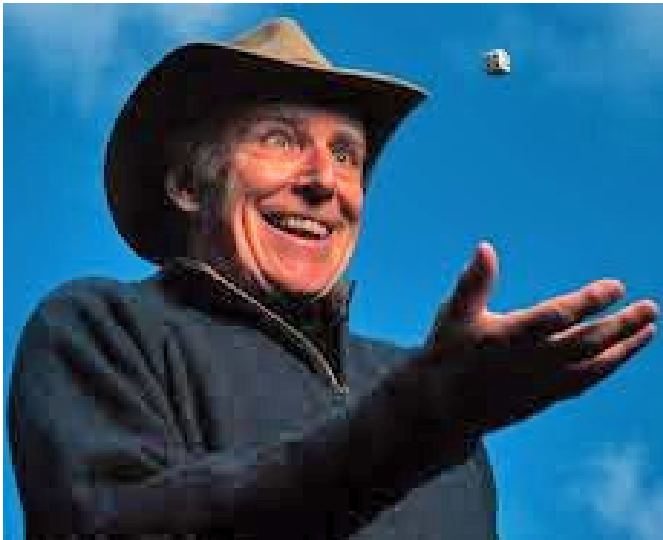
February, 2013

Opportunity

BEN-E-LECT FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER



The Ultimate Bunco Blowout Not just for the ladies...



Ultimate BUNCO Sponsorships

The BEN-E-LECT Foundation would be honored to have your sponsorship and your presence at our Bunco Blowout!

Player Sponsor: \$10

(Help a mentee with the player fee)

Table Sponsor: \$100

(Decorate a lunch table to advertise your company)

Venue Sponsor: \$1,500

Lunch Sponsor: \$1,000

Most Wins Prize Sponsor: \$250

(Prize for player with most wins)

Raffle Prize Sponsor: \$400

Most Buncos Prize Sponsor: \$250

(Prize for winner of Most Buncos)

Refreshment Sponsor: \$250

Snack Sponsor: \$150

Bunco Game Sponsor: \$250

Player Entry and Lunch \$10

Saturday April 20, 2013

Elk's Lodge, Visalia CA

Address: 3100 W. Main St. Visalia, CA 93291

The BEN-E-LECT Foundation is excited to be hosting its first annual Bunco tournament. The goal of the tournament is to spread the word about the work we are doing through the *On Purpose Project* and recruit more mentors...and of course have a blast at bunco!

We want you to learn more about us, our community partners and the people we serve. Play alongside our board of directors and partner organizations like the Visalia Rescue Mission, Next Steps to Freedom, Love Inc. of Tulare County, Good News Jail and Prison Ministry and Title Counseling.

The On Purpose Project mentors and mentees are hoping you will join us for a fun day of Bunco and community camaraderie. The Ultimate Bunco Blowout will be held at the Elk's Lodge in Visalia, CA from 11:45A.M. – 3:00P.M. Lunch will be served from 12:00-1:00 P.M. and Bunco will begin at 1:00 P.M. sharp! Tickets are selling for \$10 and include the player entry fee and price of lunch. We are looking forward to the start of this new BEN-E-LECT Foundation tradition! Call 559-302-2388 for tickets!



Become a mentor for the Visalia Rescue Mission's **HOUSE OF HOPE**

About House of Hope

The Visalia Rescue Mission (VRM) addiction recovery program is an intensive 11-month Christian-based program which requires a total commitment to recovery and spiritual growth.

The program consists of five blocks or steps, the first being a two-month entry process called "half step". The Half Step Phase block is a period of assimilation into the program consisting of relapse prevention, Bible studies, and work assignments.

Upon completion of the Half Step Phase, residents then move into the Spiritual Formation and Life/Recovery Skills Phase (6 months) of the recovery process. The Spiritual Formation and Life/Recovery Skills Phase represents the core of our program and is where the most intense work will take place. Residents will have had ample time to adjust to life at the VRM and will have had a minimum of 2-3 months of clean time (abstinence from drugs & alcohol).

Who will be mentored

Upon completion residents then move into the Transition Phase, this is the phase where a resident can ask to be matched with a mentor from the **On Purpose Project**. The Transition Block of recovery is a three-month block that gives residents the opportunity to assimilate back into society while maintaining the accountability required to be a resident at the VRM. While there are men and women in the residential program, we are currently only matching female mentorships

This program is considered a "working program." All residents work to maintain the VRM property along with the other shelter and food services we provide to the Visalia community. Residents are not allowed to maintain any outside employment until they reach the Transitional Block of their program. This also allows time for a resident to be matched with a mentor and make personal progress before they tackle the employment process.

How we work together

The **BEN-E-LECT Foundation** started as an internship program for under-mentored young adults. There were so many candidates for the internships, but most suffered from low self-esteem and lacked internal focus and direction there fore making them ill-prepared for the internship. In short, we were only solving half the problem. The **On Purpose Project** was founded to address the underlined causes of each person's difficulties. Our goal is to get to the root of the problem by healing the person before employment is addressed.

Be it addiction, homelessness or habitual bad choices; our program works to connect a successfully functioning adult - the mentor- with another struggling adult in their own community, the mentee. Morri Nash, the Women's Program Director for the Visalia Rescue Mission, emphasizes that a mentor is vital, to the women of House of Hope because it may be a mentee's first and/or only healthy relationship with another adult.

The **On Purpose Project** is actively recruiting mentors for these fantastic ladies. There are residents of the House of Hope *right now* that would love to have a mentor. These women have worked diligently to steady their lives and conquer personal difficulties. They have proven themselves ready for guidance and stability.

Having a mentor is not a required part of the program and is entirely on a voluntary basis. These ladies have worked too hard for us to not step up and support their efforts. There is a great need for female mentors who can be compassionate co-pilots for the women of the House of Hope. You can change a life by meeting for a cup of coffee and lending an ear for one hour a week. "It is always the simple that produces the marvelous," Amelia Barr.

For additional information or to R.S.V.P. for the next training please E-mail areynolds@benelect.com. or call our program coordinator directly at 559-302-2388. ✨

Mark Your Calendars!



Training Calendar Feb. - June

February

Session Two Tuesday 19, 6:30p.m. - 8:30p.m.

March

Session One Tuesday 12, 6:30p.m. - 8:30p.m.

Session Two Saturday 16, 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m

April

Session One Tuesday 16, 6:30p.m. - 8:30p.m.

Session Two Tuesday 23, 6:30p.m. - 8:30p.m.

May

Session One Tuesday 14, 6:30p.m. - 8:30p.m.

Session Two Saturday 18, 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m

June

Session One Tuesday 11, 6:30p.m. - 8:30p.m.

Session Two Tuesday 18, 6:30p.m. - 8:30p.m

Mentor trainings are held every month. Potential mentors are required to complete Session I & II in order to proceed with the program. Session I is an overview of the program and will cover requirements and responsibilities. Session II will cover boundaries and dive's deeper into the emotional aspects of being a mentor.

Sessions will be held at our Visalia office located at:
5429 Avenida de los Robles Ste. A Visalia, CA 93291

"You can make a difference just by showing up."

Foundation Events

Peer Support

Next Monthly Meeting
Tuesday February 26, 2013
Luncheon from 11:30A.M. - 1:00P.M.

Quarterly Peer Support
Tuesday March 26, 2013
Luncheon from 11:30A.M.-1:00P.M
Featuring mentor and mentee testimonies and a guest speaker.

The Ultimate Bunco Blowout

April 20, 2013
Elk's Lodge in Visalia, CA
Doors Open at 11:45A.M.
Lunch served 12:00-1:00P.M.
Bunco starts at 1:00P.M. sharp!
Admission: \$10 for lunch and Bunco



7TH ANNUAL BEN-E-LECT CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

Monday, October 14, 2013
10:00A.M. Shotgun
at Fort Washington Golf Course



For more information on our upcoming events please contact us at **(559) 302-2388** or email areynolds@benelect.com. Visit our website at www.benelectfoundation.org Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.





OUR MISSION

To serve as a catalyst for under-mentored adults, helping them realize their full potential by equipping them with the tools they need to build a future filled with purpose and fulfillment.

OUR PROGRAM

Working in close collaboration with the foundation, local community leaders lend a helping hand to program participants by providing advice, guidance, and support which promote their personal development, build their sense of accomplishment and competence, and nurture their overall well-being.

OUR VALUES

- An organization with the moral integrity and wisdom to lead, the desire to humbly serve, and the vision to inspire.
- An organization comprised of individuals who possess the courage, commitment, and compassion to make life better for all people.
- An organization which respectfully honors the dignity and potential of every human being.
- An organization which believes that success is obtainable for those who are willing to work hard, be disciplined, and persist through every obstacle.

OUR FOUNDERS

The foundation was formed by the leaders of BEN-E-LECT, an employer-driven™ health benefit company headquartered in Visalia, CA. BEN-E-LECT is one of the country's leading third party administrators of high deductible employer-driven™ medical, dental, and vision plans.

OUR FUNDING

The foundation is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable organization, officially qualified to receive tax-deductible bequests, devises, transfers, and gifts. It is funded primarily through the generous contributions of businesses and individuals along with grants from charitable foundations.



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