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## About our Program



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The San Diego County Childhood Obesity Initiative is a public-private partnership facilitated by [Community Health Improvement Partners](#), a San Diego-based 501(c)(3) organization.

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Stan Miller is a Texas native with a long history of community work with non-profit, government, and volunteer organizations. Prior to entering the realm of public health, Stan attended Abilene Christian University in Abilene, Texas where he obtained both his bachelor's and master's degree in Human Communication. After a brief three-year engagement with Janssen Pharmaceutica, he began his first nonprofit work in 1992 with the West Central Texas Council of Governments.

Approximately 16 years ago, Stan and his fiancé (now wife) decided to pack up the car and move from Colorado to sunny San Diego. Stan worked with the American Heart Association and Volunteer San Diego and then became Executive Director of North County Community Services and fiscal agent for Alliance for Regional Solutions. For the past eight years, Stan served in his role as Executive Director until he stepped down in August of 2014 and successfully transitioned the fiscal agency for the Alliance for Regional Solutions to Interfaith Community Services before joining Community Health Improvement Partners (CHIP) in March of this year.

Stan's personal interests and passion for gardening inspired and motivated him to install gardens at local preschools to educate children about how food is grown. Being raised on a 1000-acre farm, gardening has always been an interest of Stan's. He felt it was in his blood to continue cultivating the skills that were instilled at a young age and apply them in the community, educating children.



Photo of Stan riding his John Deere tractor.

Through these efforts, he met JuliAnna Arnett (CHIP's former Director of Operations and Food Systems) and collaborated on the Farm to Preschool Program. A few years later, he converted a vacant lot into a garden and attended the COI-sponsored Regional Garden Education Centers train-the-trainer sessions. Shortly after, Kim McDougal with the YMCA Childcare Resource Service recruited

## [Alternatives Program Improvement Act](#)

Stan to install three gardens at MAAC Head Start sites in North County. Stan recalls, "I knew the gardens were successful when kids were breaking into the garden patch to eat the broccoli." Over the course of eight years, Stan continued working alongside COI and many of our partners to address childhood obesity throughout North County.

Although he has accomplished much in his career, Stan is very proud of an award granted to him in August from his peers in North County. The Suzanne S. Pohlman Community Service Award was given to honor his leadership, service, and collaborative spirit toward improving the lives of the underserved in North County.

In working to tackle childhood obesity, Stan feels the greatest challenge is changing the minds of people who focus on personal responsibility as the root cause. "Children do not have a choice in their environment and very few have the opportunity of personal choice in food consumption. The deck is often stacked against them. It is the responsibility of all of us to ensure that every child has the best chance for optimal health."

Outside of work, Stan resides in Coronado, which he considers to be his favorite place in San Diego. Stan takes advantage of Coronado's ocean breeze and pedestrian friendly neighborhood by walking a 10K every day. Stan is also an avid foodie who enjoys grilling on the weekend. If you happen to swing by our office, take a detour into our break room and you will likely find a variety of Stan's homemade salsas!

## Announcements

- Community Health Improvement Partners is soliciting [Request for Proposal](#) for a consultant to assist in the implementation of the COI evaluation plan.
- Interfaith Community Services is seeking a [Chief Program Officer](#).
- The City Heights Community Development Corporation is seeking a [Programs Director](#).
- Jacobs & Cushman San Diego Food Bank is seeking a [Vice President of Development](#).
- ACLU-San Diego and Imperial Counties is seeking a [Director of Advocacy](#).
- Home Start Inc. is seeking a [Family Support Worker](#).
- The YMCA of San Diego County is seeking a [Case Manager](#).
- San Diego LGBT Community Center is seeking a [Youth Services Coordinator](#).
- United Way of San Diego County is seeking a [Community Impact Manager](#).

## Events

### Collective Impact 101

Webinar | May 1, 2015

Join Cheryl Moder, of the San Diego County Childhood Obesity Initiative, along with our partners at FSG and the Collective Impact Forum for a special webinar on collective impact. [For more](#)

[information and to register...](#)

### **Generating Healthy Eaters**

National City, CA | May 2, 2015

Olivewood Gardens and Learning Center is hosting a one-day workshop getting kids to try fruits and vegetables that you grow in your garden, safe food handling and preparation, and how to plan for an edible harvest. [For more information...](#)

### **Free Baseball Camp**

San Diego, CA | May 16, 2015

Inner City Athletic Program and the Copley Family YMCA are joining forces to offer a free Baseball Camp at the City Heights Recreation Center from 9am-3pm. [For more information...](#)

### **Brew Rendezvous**

San Diego, CA | May 17, 2015

Community Health Improvement Partners (CHIP) will be hosting its 3rd Annual Brew Rendezvous fundraiser. The event includes a craft beer and food pairing with live music, games, and raffle drawings! 100% of proceeds benefit CHIP's efforts to tackle obesity through the development of a healthy, sustainable, and regional food system. For more information and for ticket purchase, please [click here](#).

### **8th Biennial Childhood Obesity Conference**

San Diego, CA | June 29-July 2, 2015

Registration is now open for the 8th Biennial Childhood Obesity Conference. Topics include combating childhood obesity with collective impact principles and evidence-based best practices. [To register...](#)

### **143rd Annual Meeting & Expo**

Chicago, IL | October 31-November 4, 2015

American Public Health Association is hosting its annual meeting and expo to convene public health professionals from around the globe to network and discuss the latest evidence-based research findings and best practices. [For more information...](#)

## **Grants**

### **2015-2016 School Breakfast Grant**

Application deadline: May 1, 2015

Action for Healthy Kids has announced applications for the 2015-2016 school year. Eligible schools may apply to pilot or expand their School Breakfast Programs, including alternative breakfast, or pilot universal school breakfast. Grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,500 are available. [For more information...](#)

### **2015 Creative Leadership Grant**

Application deadline: June 22, 2015

In collaboration with the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP), Crayola offers up to 20 grants for schools in the United States or Canada. [For more information...](#)

### **Mazda Foundation**

Application deadline: July 1, 2015

The Mazda Foundation awards grants to programs promoting education and literacy, environmental conservation, cross-cultural understanding, social welfare, and scientific research. [For more information..](#)

### **USDA Awards Grants to Support Schools Serving Healthier Meals and Snacks**

Application deadline: Rolling

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced \$25 million in grant funding to schools to upgrade kitchen equipment and pledged up to an additional \$5.5 million for training and technical assistance programs for food service personnel to help school districts comply with updated nutrition standards. [For more information..](#)

### **Voices for Healthy Kids**

Application deadline: Rolling

Voices for Healthy Kids is providing funding for childhood obesity campaigns that are aligned with their six priorities areas: smart school food, marketing, active places, healthy drinks, food access, and active kids out of school. [For more information...](#)

### **The Kaiser Permanente Southern California Grants Program**

Application Deadline: Rolling

The Grants Program provides support to nonprofit organizations working to create lasting policy, environmental, and/or system changes that support healthy eating and physical activity. [For more information...](#)

### **SPARK [Grant Finder Tool](#)**

SPARK is committed to countering childhood obesity. Search for grants by location and interest. Grants are updated daily.

## Resources

### **211 San Diego: Nutrition, Healthy Weight, Physical Activity, and Diabetes Resource**

San Diego County residents, healthcare providers, and agencies receive FREE information about programs in nutrition, healthy weight, physical activity, and diabetes. Access these free resources by dialing "2-1-1" or clicking on the 211 icon above.



### **Get the Facts on Obesity Among Black and Hispanic Youth**

Leadership for Healthy Communities provides information on current childhood obesity trends and fact sheets on obesity rates for African American and Hispanic youth. [Read more...](#)

### **HBO Weight of the Nation**

Obesity is a problem all segments of our community must address. As a proud sponsor of this documentary, Kaiser Permanente's hope is that these films will prompt meaningful discussions and catalyze individuals, groups, and communities to act. [Read more...](#)

## News of Note



**Local**[Working Together Fighting Disease](#)[Nation's School Districts Take a Seat at San Diego Unified's Table](#)[Higher Income Linked to Smarter Kids](#)[Solana Beach District Joins Live Well San Diego Initiative](#)**National**[Understanding the Science Behind Childhood Obesity](#)[This is What Can Happen to Your Child When Your Family Argues](#)[USDA Promotes Terrifying Body Exhibit to Fight Childhood Obesity](#)

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