

# The Epic Story of Outreach

By the Little County that Could

**CALAVERAS!** 

## The beginning...

 West Point outreach office opened February 2006.



 Mark Twain St Joseph's Hospital offered Eligibility Outreach space in 3 clinics

# **Getting Started**

- Outstation Supervisor selected
- Outstation Workers
  - Selected based on their community connections
  - Most were Eligibility Worker IIIs
- Six rural community Outstations opened within two years



### Services at the Outreach Stations

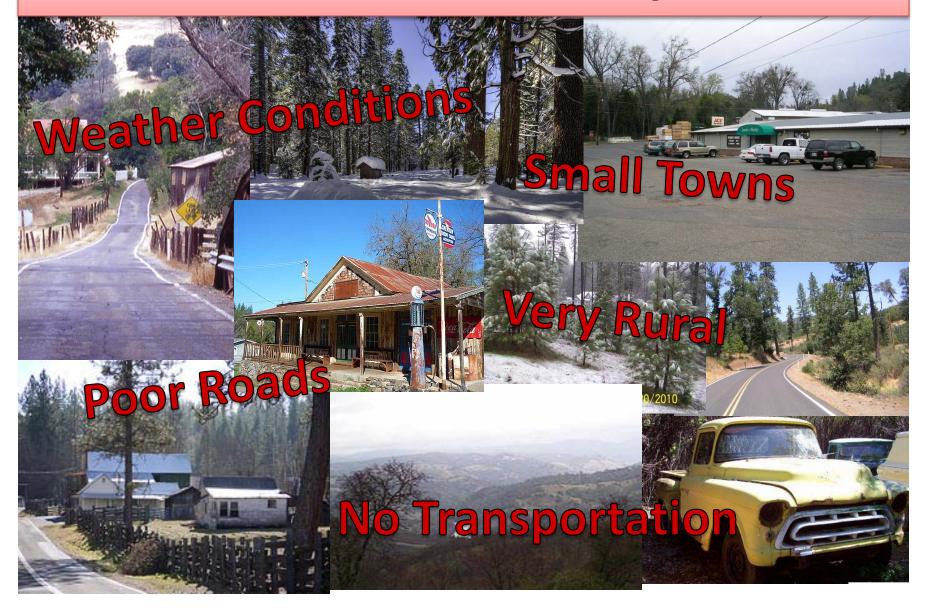
All services that are available in the main office are available in the Outreach Stations.



### Services at the Outreach Stations

- Employment Services Workers can make appointments with clients to be seen at the outstation in their community.
- Veteran's Services Officer can make appointments to see clients at the outstations.
- Family Support Officers can make appointments to see clients at the outstations.

# **Calaveras County**

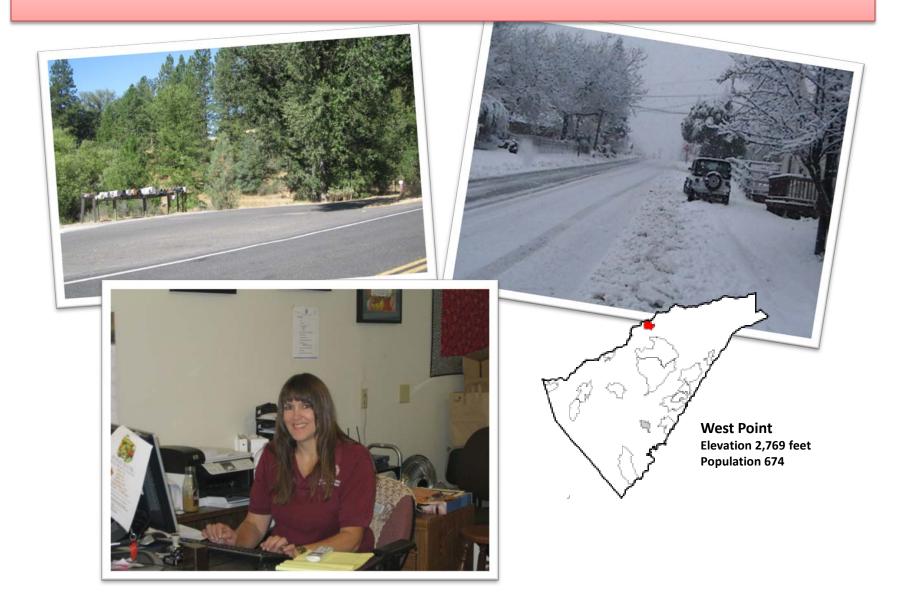


#### **West Point**

- 25 miles from the main office in San Andreas
- Co-located with Blue Mountain Community Service Center



# **West Point**



# Copperopolis

- 22 miles from the main office in San Andreas
- Co-located with the Mark Twain Medical Clinic in Copperopolis



# Copperopolis

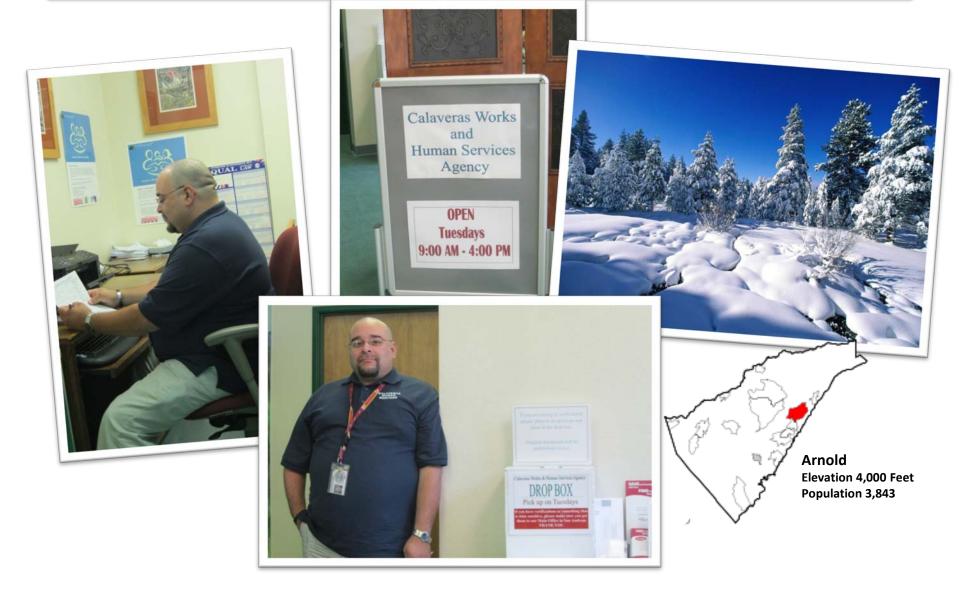


#### **Arnold**

- 32 miles from the main office in San Andreas
  - Snow between November-April
- Co-located in the Mark Twain Medical Clinic in Arnold



# **Arnold**



# **Valley Springs**

- 10 miles from the main office in San Andreas
  - Largest population spread across wide rural area
  - Largest Spanish speaking population
- Co-located in the Methodist Church Office



### **Mountain Ranch**

- 10 miles from the main office in San Andreas
- Co-located with Mountain Ranch Youth Alliance

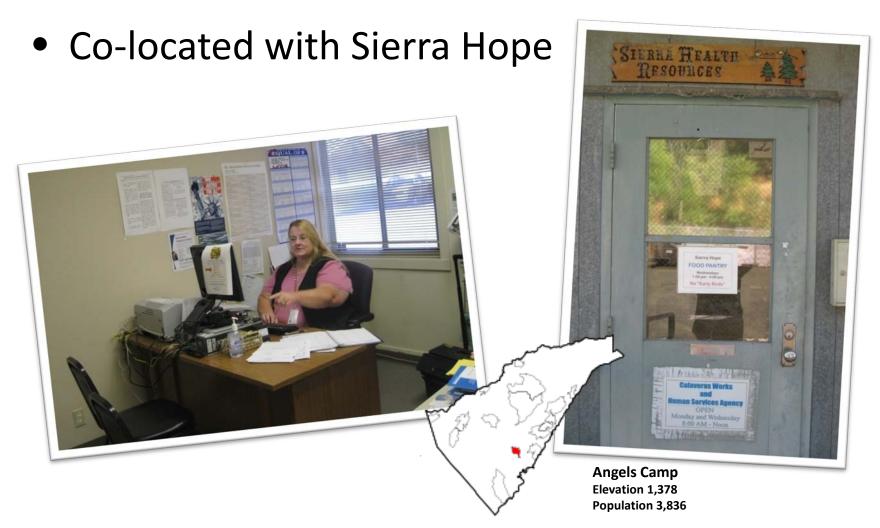


# **Mountain Ranch**



# **Angels Camp**

• 13 miles from the main office in San Andreas.



#### **Other Outreach Services**

- "On Call" for Mark Twain St Joseph's Hospital and Calaveras County Behavioral Health
- San Andreas Senior Center outreach table



### We think we can, we think we can

- September 2010 Federal OCS Grant Award Notice
- Calaveras Works & Human Services Agency Approach:
  - Design, develop and deploy a new system of recipient focused social services and public benefits enrollment coordination and outreach to underserved recipients.

#### Partners:

- The Resource Connection
- Amador Tuolumne Community
   Action Agency (A-TCAA)



#### We took the show on the road!

Cal Fresh presentations to agencies including:

• The Resource Connection

- Hospice
- Job Connection
- Public Health
- Head Start
- Murphys Senior Center
- San Andreas Library Staff



#### **Presentations**

- Geared toward specific audience needs
- CWHSA services included
  - Cash aid, Medi-Cal, CMSP and General Assistance.
- Cal Fresh Resource Waiver introduced
- C-4 Yourself access demonstrations
- Community resource information:
  - The Resource Connection
  - Info Net
- Veteran's Services



#### "Unusual Places" for Outreach

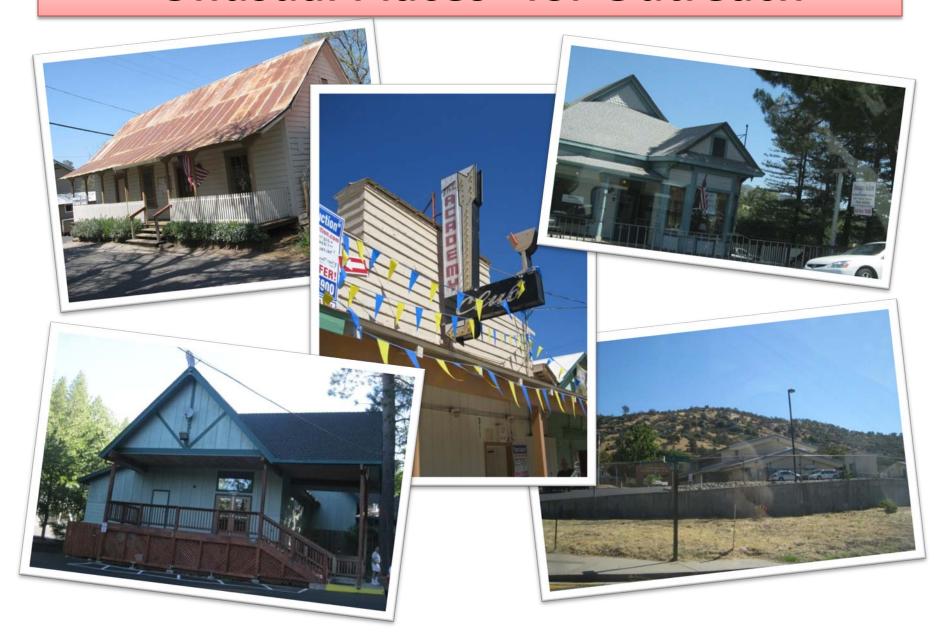
- Churches
- Beauty Salons
- Bars
- Grocery Stores
- Post Offices



- unmet needs
- desired service improvements



# "Unusual Places" for Outreach



# Book Marks, School Flyers and Labels Oh My!

- Outreach Information
  - 6,000 outreach flyers through school districts
  - Book Mark
    - Produce Distribution sites and other events
  - The Resource Connection Labels
    - placed on selected distributed food product

# School Flyer, Book Marks and Magnets

#### **Need Assistance?** Don't know where to go?

We are here to assist you! We offer many programs and services including:

- CalFresh (formerly known as Food Stamps) CalWORKs (Cash Aid to families with
- Medi-Cal and CMSP (County Medical Services Program)
- General Assistance



Calaveras Works and Human Services Agency 509 East St Charles Street San Andreas, CA 95249 754-6448



#### We have six full service Outstations

located in: 293-2333 West Point 768-7540 Copperopolis 768-7588 Arnold 754-4509 Mt. Ranch 736-0179 Angels Camp 768-7513 Valley Springs

Please call for an appointment, locations and hours of operation.

You may also apply on line at: www.c4yourself.com

Other Programs and Agencies located in our main office in San Andreas:

Child Supportive Services, Adult Protective Services, In-Home Supportive Services, and Public Guardian 754-6452

Veteran's Services 754-6546 ATCAA Weatherization 866-901-3212 Family Support

Your link to local community services: www.infonettc.org

www.calaveras.ca.us/cc/Departments/CalWorks.aspx



Do not go where the path may lead. go instead where there is no path and leave a trail.

Ralph Waldo Emerson





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#### (209) 754-6448

Outreach offices located in Angels Camp, Arnold, Copperopolis, Mountain Ranch and West Point call for dates and times.

Apply online at:

www.C4Yourself.com

#### The Resource Connection

#### The Resource Connection Food Bank

- WIC
- Food Bank Santa's Express

206 George Reed Drive

(209) 754-1257

For more information on community resources:





It is one of the most beautiful compensations in life, that no man can sincerely try to help another without helping himself.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

#### Calaveras County Community Resources

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## The Resource Connection



# **Client Profile Survey**

- Client Profile Surveys 151 surveys completed
- Sites were chosen randomly throughout the community
- Clients were chosen randomly at the Food Bank
- Surveys were completed by staff with client
- Clients received a gift for their time
- This survey enabled us to put together a client profile

### **Health Fair**



As a partner, we are always looking for creative venues to share resources with the community.

# **High School Energy Bag Program**



# Children's Fair



Partners with WIC

#### **Lessons Learned**

Outreach and information shared and gathered at the local grocery store



### **Veteran's Collaborative**



Gathering Resources from a local Community Collaborative

#### **Resource Sites**

- Pantries 14 pantries in our community
- Mobile Pantries 4 mobile pantries in remote areas of our community
- Community Events
- Program Sites WIC remote sites, Head Start sites
- Local High School through our Energy Bag program

#### A-TCAA

#### INFONET

- Redesigned 2-1-1 platform to be user friendly
- Updated resources available across three counties
- Directs the user to resources and services available in the user's home county



#### **Outcomes**

- Calaveras County increase in participation: one of the State's highest increase per capita.
- C-4 Yourself online applications increased despite limited broadband & internet access.
- Relationships with partner agencies remain effective as measured by continued participation in outreach, referral, enrollments and program utilization.

# "It Takes a Village!"

 Enthusiasm of all Calaveras Works and Human Services supporting

- Outstation Workers
- Main Office Staff
- Clerical Staff





# "It Takes a Village!"

## **Community Partners**

- The Resource Connection
- A-TCAA
- Schools
- Senior Centers
- First 5 Calaveras
- Community members
- Latino Outreach Partnership
- Calaveras County Behavioral Health Services
- California State University, Sacramento Evaluation Services



### We knew we could!



# The Resource Connection