

# Inspire Insight

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## Participant Updates

Look at those smiling faces!

Keirra, Erica, Debbie and Tabitha have a lot to smile about. They are coming to an end of their first year in college and have gotten into a rhythm of living together and keeping the house running.

Tabitha is attending Cal State San Bernadino, and although the drive is getting old, she is excited to take some classes toward her major, Social Work next year. Tabitha recently got her braces on thanks to Dr. Kawata!

Keirra is half way through her cosmetology program at RCC. She attends the night classes and works during the day. She even fits in volunteering at her church nursery on Sundays.



Debbie is finishing up her last two high school classes at the Adult Ed in Riverside. She is looking forward to starting at RCC this summer or next fall. She is working on getting her license and a car. Debbie is searching for a new job-if anyone is hiring part time?!!!

Erica is adjusting to full time school and working part time at

the Crazy Greek restaurant with Tabitha. She was finally able to get some dental work done that she patiently waited for for over four years. Erica is also working on getting her driver's license.

They all need to take 6 units in summer school, but hopefully they will have some time to relax this summer as well.

## Therapist's Corner By David Camplin, MFT



# The Poker Tournament Was A Blast

The night started off with great bbq, beans, potato salad, green salad and rolls from Backwood's BBQ. High hopes filled the air in the decorated historic room at the civic center. Then all the players got into teams of 8 and sat around different tables adorned with red, black or white tablecloths. The tables started whittling down as players were out of chips. The re-buy mugs from First American Title were a hit and very popu-

lar. Thank you Annelle Wiederkehr for the most re-buys of the night! We had a great time giving our various door prizes and poker sets for the first out, best winning hand and most re-buys. We would like to thank the Corona Police Association for sending a team and Sgt. Scott Musgraves for helping to spread the word. A special thanks goes out to Barbara and her friends for helping us set up. And the night would not have been fun

without our terrific dealers. Thank you Matt Wandel, Mark Dunn, Dave Hauck, Jeff Keith, Manny DeSilvia and Eric Trueblood. We had fifty-two people come out to play this year and we hope to have over one hundred in attendance next year!

## Trophy Winners

*Team:*

*Emergency*

*Ambulance*

*Service, Inc.*

*From Brea, CA*

*Individual:*

*Manny*

*DeSilvia*



First Place Team from Emergency Ambulance Service, Inc.



Board Members Suzie Enriquez and Holly Morris checked in the lively players.



Top Five Winners: Dave Camplin, Manny DeSilvia, Jeff Keith,

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David Camplin, MFT  
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Backwood's BBQ  
Renew Therapeutic  
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Denise Rico– First American Title  
Jeff Wiederkehr-Onyx

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Save the Date  
October 21st  
5-9 pm  
Inspire's  
Inaugural  
"Make a Difference"  
Dinner and Auction  
At Lemonia Grove  
In Corona

Watch for invitations to come

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*“inspiring former foster youth  
to independence”*

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*It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.*

## Some Common Questions



### **What gave you the idea to start Inspire?**

Kristi: My husband, Dave, was a social worker with the County of Riverside for six years. He worked closely with teens and he had the unfortunate job of having to tell the kids as they turned eighteen that they would soon be out on their own. We both recognized the huge gap in the system and how most youth are not prepared or ready to live out on their own let alone try to attend college during the transition. We decided to try to make a difference in a few kids lives by offering them the chance to

attend college full time and have a safe, stable transitional home to live in. We believe this an effective way to prevent homelessness, pregnancy and drug use in the former foster population as well.

### **What are the participants required to do?**

They all must attend school full time, work part time, attend professional counseling, contact their mentor weekly and attend life skills training sessions. They all work together to keep the house nice and they are each responsible to pay a portion of the rent and utilities.

### **How long can a participant stay in the program?**

We tell the participants that it depends upon their educational goals. That will be between two and four years for most of the girls.

### **Are you planning on expanding?**

Yes, depending on funding from grants, fundraising and monthly sponsorship we would like to open a second home in the next six months to a year. We are also looking at the idea of renting individual rooms for new participants.