



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT

AGENDA DATE: June 22, 2011

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission

FROM: Recreation Division, Parks and Recreation Department

SUBJECT: Community Recognition of Healthy Options for Teens, Culinary Arts Program Support

RECOMMENDATION: That the Commission recognize Chef Ernie Price, Sam Kroll, and the Foodbank of Santa Barbara County for their support of the Healthy Options for Teens, Culinary Arts Program.

DISCUSSION:

Neighborhood and Outreach Services' Healthy Options for Teens, Culinary Arts Program is supported by volunteers, businesses, and non-profit organizations.

Chef Ernie Price has provided skilled and professional leadership in the commercial kitchen, introducing exciting menus, often with a flair that fascinates the youth participants.

Sam Kroll, another untiring volunteer, guides the activity, every step of the way. She provides support at both the Westside and Franklin Community Centers, often rushing from her other job to be there for the youth. She is so involved, that some of the participants even call her "Mom".

Santa Barbara Foodbank has gone above the call of duty to keep an eye out for foods that we require to prepare our weekly menus. When our staff arrives to their warehouse, their staff is always helpful in assisting with the food selections, making a huge budget savings possible.

It's with tremendous gratitude that the Parks and Recreation Department recognizes these two individuals and one organization for their volunteerism and support of the Teen Culinary Arts Program.

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