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**Affordable Housing**

*June 2007:* The St. Boniface Local Organizing Committee in Anaheim rallied community support and raised public awareness of the need for more affordable housing in Anaheim. Councilwoman Lorri Galloway addressed more than 500 residents in attendance. Members of the community in attendance held up signs that declared, "People, Not Politics!" .

The following evening, community members attended the Anaheim City Council meeting. They gave testimony and presented about 200 signed letters stating their desire that Anaheim increase its affordable housing stock.

**Children's Health**

*April 2007:* A diverse group of over 140 people from more than 11 different congregations throughout Orange County gathered to thank Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez for her support for the expansion of children's health insurance through the federally funded SCHIP program.

The faith community sent a strong message that children's healthcare is a moral issue that is important to our community. Testimonies were offered from various residents including children, mothers, and providers. Congresswoman Sanchez committed to champion children's healthcare and to continue to contact and influence key leaders in the SCHIP debate.

**Immigration**

*June 2007:* OCCCO community leaders held an immigration forum to inform the undocumented community in Orange County about their rights. More than 200 community members attended the event and 75 of them received free legal consultations from 9 volunteer lawyers and 1 paralegal.

Residents sent over 400 postcards to key Senators and Congress members asking for a safe, legal, orderly, and just immigration system. Future plans include meetings with ICE officials and the OC Sheriffs Department.



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**Education**

- Fullerton parents win over \$120,000 in funding to begin PACE, a preschool and parent-literacy program for low-income families.

**Housing**

- West Fullerton residents win a general-inspection by code enforcement of poor housing conditions at the Parkin Gardens apartment complex.

- The city of Fullerton implements the 3-year "West Fullerton Community Preservation Program" to begin the process of improving living conditions in West Fullerton. 2 Community Preservation officers are dedicated to the program.

**Neighborhood Development**

- Fullerton City Council commits \$650,000 to put safety and athletic lighting in Richman Park so kids can play soccer at night and criminals cannot use the park as a haven for crime.

- The city of Santa Ana commits over \$2 million in the next two years to re-pave 6 streets in the Delhi Neighborhood, some of which have been neglected for over 50 years.

**Voter Development**

- Over 950 residents are engaged in the voting process through 2 candidates forums, voter education in church services and the vote-mobile.

**Public Safety**

- Santa Ana residents work with the police to clean up dangerous alleyways and curb underage drinking.

- CREER community leaders win a commitment from the Chief of Police Services in San Juan Capistrano to create a "Community Action Plan" to improve public safety.

**Immigration**

- Over 260 residents receive consular ID cards at St. Joachim Church in Costa Mesa in partnership with the Mexican Consulate.

- 800 community members march to mass at St. Joseph Church in Santa Ana to support reasonable and just immigration reform.