



Community Beacon Awards 2006: Members of the OCCCO Advisory Council from left to right: Mary Enid Pinkerson, Roman Reyna, Vera Harrison, Bob Cerince, Ron DiLuigi.

Education

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

Healthcare

- OCCCO leaders contacted over 2,000 voters in support of Prop 86—the Children’s Health Initiative on the November Ballot.
- 50 grass-roots leaders collect over 4,000 signatures of registered voters to put Prop. 86 on the ballot to keep kids from smoking and fund health insurance for all California children.

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.

Immigration

- 800 community members march to mass at St. Joseph Church in Santa Ana in a candlelight vigil on May 1st to support reasonable and just immigration reform.
- Over 260 residents receive consular ID cards at St. Joachim Church in Costa Mesa in partnership with the Mexican Consulate.

- Sheriff Mike Carona amends his proposed policy to enforce immigration laws after meeting with over 500 community members at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Santa Ana.
- Church and community members sent thousands of postcards to Federal Legislators in support of reasonable and just immigration reform.

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 dollars in the next two years to re-pave 6 streets in the Delhi Neighborhood, some of which have been neglected for over 50 years.

Public Safety

- Local residents in Santa Ana 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.

Voter Development

- Over 950 voters are engaged in the voting process through 2 candidates forums, voter education in church services and the vote-mobile.
- 200 voter households in Fullerton’s Richman Neighborhood were contacted and received a local candidates guide developed by OCCCO.