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### We begin this new decade with triumphs, challenges, and changes.

#### **TRIUMPHS**

Anthesis is (nearly) ready for the new federal Home & Community Based Services (HCBS) regulations to go into effect on March 17, 2022.

This achievement has been a huge focus of ours over the past few years, and has required tremendous effort and dedication from everyone at Anthesis. Today, our five ongoing programs (SE, DATS, IECBS, ADC & RASS) incorporate the requisite community integration component of this regulation. As you can see in the faces of the people highlighted in this report, these programs have been quite successful in Empowering People with [Dis]abilities to Blossom!

#### **CHALLENGES**

Anthesis' revenue is dependent on our compliance with this new regulation. Revamping our services, training our staff, and managing this cultural shift while still providing excellent service to our 300 program participants, was a tremendous challenge. We want to commend the staff and managers who have had to learn a whole new way of doing business, while continuing to deliver quality services. Change is never easy and we are proud of the team we've built at Anthesis to lead us through this change.

In addition to federal funds, Anthesis also relies on state funding to support our services. While the Governor and Legislature did approve an 8% rate increase for Developmental Disability (DD) service reimbursements, our programs continue to remain woefully underfunded. These funds represent a mere 20% of the funding needed to pay care providers a decent wage. Many of our direct care staff work multiple jobs to make ends meet and

stay with us because they love their jobs and the people we serve. In 2020, we ask for your support in advocating with us to make additional funding a priority with our elected officials.

Finally, since the 2017 Tax Law changes went into effect, there has been a national downward trend in charitable contributions from individual donors. We have certainly felt this impact at Anthesis. Individual donations were down in 2018, and again in 2019. We rely on these donations to help us bridge the gap between government funding and our costs. Now that we have addressed the critical HCBS regulations, this will be an area of focus for us in 2020.

#### **CHANGES**

Unfortunately, HCBS compliance necessitated the closure of our foundational facility-based program. We worked closely with each of the 125 individuals affected by this change to find the communityintegrated program that best fit their needs and talents.

This program closure also meant we no longer needed the 37,000-square-feet of production space at Brooks Street. In 2019 we sold this property, which has acted as the corporate headquarters and base for our Employment programs for 40 years. Our new headquarters is a 9,000 square-footbuilding at the corner of Mountain Ave. and 6th St. in Ontario. We hope to have our ADA renovations completed in the coming months and hope you will come visit our new home when we celebrate at our Open House.

Doug Vincent Mitch Gariador Executive Director President, Board of Directors

# **Board of Directors**

#### **OFFICERS**

Doug Vincent, President **Retired Radio Broadcaster** 

Cheryl Gilbert, Vice President Professor, Mt. SAC Psychiatric Technician Program

**Elena Barstow, Secretary** Retired Mother of an Individual served by Anthesis

Blair Aldworth, Treasurer Retired Special Education Teacher-Chino Valley U.S.D.

Yi Eubanks, Immediate Past President Special Education Teacher, Ayala High School Sister of an Individual served by Anthesis

> Board committees that are open to the community are:

#### Finance

meets 3rd Monday each month Long Range Planning meets 1st Thursday every other month Fundraising meets 4th Tuesday each month

# from the outside. 03

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Andrea Bidart-Oteiza Educational Consultant / School Psychologist

Hugo Guerrero Logistics / Father of an Individual served by Anthesis

Samantha James-Perez Professor, Mt. San Antonio College (Mt. SAC)

Marisa Jones Grainger, Safety Specialist / Sister of an individual served by Anthesis

**Carmen Martinez Retired High School Teacher** 

Sonja Stump Owner, Sonja Stump Photography

Hilma Thomas Accounting Supervisor, Chaffey Federal Credit Union



Standing: Samantha James-Perez, Andrea Bidart-Oteiza, Hilma Thomas, Marisa Jones, Sonja Stump *Seated:* Elena Barstow, Carmen Martinez, Cheryl Gilbert, Doug Vincent, Yi Eubanks *Missing:* Blair Aldworth and Hugo Guerrero

## "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." - Margaret Mead

# 04 community partners.

"It is an honor to be recognized as the 2019 Employment Partner of the Year. East Valley has always been a place for people from different backgrounds to come together, share talents, and build community. Over the past six years, we have had the privilege to work alongside the hardworking and dedicated Anthesis staff. Each day they provide invaluable assistance to maintain a welcoming environment for all our visitors." - John Mura



General Manager / CEO



# passionate.

When you are doing what you love, it shows. Michael is enjoying life at 'Round About Senior Services ('RASS) and has been exploring his passion for music with our Senior Companions. Michael loves to go to music stores and play the drums. He especially loves the strong, fast-paced rhythm of rock music. Michael also toured the Hollywood Bowl Museum where he was able to see the dressing rooms and the stage where the 'Stars' perform. Michael is definitely our 'RASS Rock Star!



## Eric F. at **The Home Depot**

The next time you visit The Home Depot in Rancho Cucamonga, you might just be helped by Eric, an Anthesis program participant since 2001 and a proud employee of Home Depot since 2007. Eric began his journey at The Home Depot as a parking lot attendant and soon began helping out in the garden department. He continued to gain more duties and responsibilities and now helps out throughout the entire store, including his favorite place - the Pro desk. Eric is a natural at helping customers and co-workers, and we couldn't be more proud of our 2019 Program Participant of the Year!



# **East Valley Water** District

When John Mura, East Valley Water District's General Manager, reached out to Anthesis in April of 2014, we could not have imagined the incredible business partnership that was about to form. Nestled at the foothills of the San Bernardino Mountains, East Valley Water District's state-of-the-art facility has been the workplace of enclave members Christopher, Brenda, and Stephanie and Job Coach Rosalina. Everyone in this organization has been incredibly supportive of the mission of Anthesis, and their impact on these individuals has truly been life-changing. We are grateful and honored to select them as our Employment Partner of the year.



# **Rising Stars Equestrian Therapy**

Since 1991, this organization has provided therapeutic riding lessons to children and adults with physical, mental, social and/or emotional challenges. Ric Morris, President and Founder, has given our IECBS participants volunteer opportunities to tend to these horses. The bonds and lessons learned from caring for Whiney, Abbey, Kiwi, Nala, Bentley and Crusier help develop a greater sense of purpose in our participants while building strong connections within our greater community. We are truly grateful to be a part of our Volunteer Partner of the Year in such a unique way.







# diligent.

The next time you get a package delivered to your door, you might want to thank Miguel. Since 2018, Miguel has been helping FedEx get their packages out on time. A diligent worker who thrives in this fast-paced environment, Miguel has made an impact in his work and on his co-workers. He loves what he does so much, he went out and earned his driver's license so he can get himself to and from work on time! Having found the perfect place for him to work, this former shy guy has become one of the most social and hard-working employees at FedEx!

# determined.

Mitchell's story speaks to the power of "Person Centered Thinking" and the impact it can have in helping individuals flourish. When he first started, Mitchell had not spent a lot of time thinking about his own goals and wishes, and what it meant for him to feel fulfilled. Through Anthesis' IECBS program, he was able to identify and develop his interest and he started seeing his own potential and place in the working community. In December of 2019, Mitchell was offered a seasonal position at Boys Republic. In February of 2020, Mitchell became a direct hire at the Ontario Airport!

# enthusiastic.

When you've got a winning smile and a personality to match, you get hired on the spot at "LOL Kids Club". At least that's how it happened for Tyler. Tyler joined our IECBS program in August of 2018 and enthusiastically participated in all our activities and volunteer opportunities. After a few months, he joined our Discovery Program where he was able to participate in informational interviews with a variety of businesses in our area. While being interviewed, the manager at LOL Kids Club in Ontario hired him on the spot. Tyler loves his job, and the children and parents love being greeted by Tyler!

# program success. 05





# To learn more about these extraordinary individuals, visit www.anthesis.us/annualreport2020



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participants.

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Her consistent community outreach has created fun and engaging experiences for our participants.

### How you can be a hero too!

### Ways people can get involved locally

### Ways everyone can get involved

Contact Mitch Gariador at mitch@anthesis.us or 909 / 624-3555 x 241 to learn more about getting involved with Anthesis.

# everyday heros. 07

### **Clara Anderson**

Instructor/Senior Companion, RASS Program

Her patience and kindness makes her a favorite employee among our program participants since 1997.

### **Mayra Castillo**

Senior Job Coach, SE Program

She's a role model for both staff and



### **Elizabeth Valdez**

Community Coach, IECBS

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### **John Guillen &** the Walmart Teams

Provide much needed volunteer support at many events throughout the year.

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### **Regena Abernathy**

Job Coach, SE Program, DoubleTree by Hilton Claremont

Her compassion and patience has helped participants be successful working in the hospitality industry within our community.

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### **Our Volunteers**

The Munoz/Jones Family and Helpful Honda folks

• Hire workers from Anthesis.

- Request volunteers from Anthesis to help at your events.
- Volunteer at our monthly social events or on project days, or serve on a committee.
- Join our Association and learn how to Advocate for needed resources.
- Volunteer to teach your skill to our program participants.
- Donate your gently used clothes and household items to our thrift store.

• Like and share our stories on social media to help spread our news. • Make a financial contribution: We are a 501(c)3 nonprofit and donations are tax deductible.

• Include Anthesis in your Estate Planning.





**@Operation Community** Cares

**@Heartland Thrift Store** 



@International Women's Day



@Magnolia Bird Farm



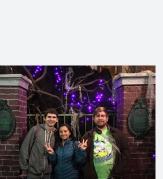
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**@Montclair Community** Garden

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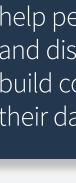


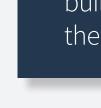
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# out in the community. 09

"People with disabilities flourish in a caring and supportive environment. Our programs help people with disabilities learn new skills and discover meaningful experiences that build confidence and provide purpose in

their daily lives" - Mitch Gariador, Executive Director



**@Aktion Club Kiwanis** 





@YMCA Upland



@Starbucks

### Your donations directly impact people with disabilities.

It is through the generosity of individuals in our organization, our community, and our business partners that we are able to provide the caring and supportive services that truly make a difference in the lives of those we serve.



individuals placed in paid internships



#### Advocacy leading to 8% rate increase 01

Our fight for fair rates led to the largest state rate increase for programs like ours in the last 20 years. Anthesis staff, program participants and their families, and community partners all joined together for legislative visits, letter writing campaigns, rallies, and phone campaigns to raise awareness of our plight. We will continue this fight in 2020 and beyond to get the funding people with disabilities deserve.

#### Anthesis To Move Its <sup>02</sup> Corporate Headquarters

In October, Anthesis closed escrow on an office building at the corner of Mountain Ave. and 6th St. in Ontario which will become our corporate headquarters and base for our Employment programs. This two-story building will provide our organization with great marketing visibility and easy access from all parts of Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties. We look forward to moving into our new home in the 2nd quarter of 2020.



Anthesis became the first organization in our area to receive certification from the Department of Rehabilitation for our services in Customized Employment.

#### Person-Centered Thinking Training

In 2019, we received a State grant to provide additional training for our staff in Person-Centered Thinking (PCT). This central component of the Home & Community Based Services (HCBS) regulations is required to continue to receive funding from the Federal government after 2022. With these funds we have already provided initial staff training, and are in the process of training two of our managers, Lucy Yamas-Cortez and Jessica Jorski, to become certified trainers in PCT.



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# outcomes in 2019. 11



individuals placed in supported employment enclaves



individuals completed our comprehensive Discovery program

## how individuals gave.

### **03** CARF Accreditation

The Commission on Accreditation and Rehabilitation Agencies (CARF) renewed our good-standing and certification for another three years. During this 2-day review process, CARF surveyors carefully reviewed our compliance with hundreds of industry standards.

Annual Association Dinner 13%
Spring and Holiday Appeals 6%
sque Club Golf Tournament 11%
tival 31%
Online 10%
Other 18%

# "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

- Winston Churchill

## thank you for your generosity.





63% of our donations came from Businesses and Community Members.

## 27%

of our donations came from Board Members, Employees, Care Givers and Participants

### **ORGANIZATIONS**

Ability Center Aetna **AFVW Protestant Fellowship** Amazon Smile Foundation American Business Bank Anthesis Store Big Sky Electric Inc. Chaffey Federal Credit Union Chino Commercial Bank City of Montclair Police Department David & Margaret Youth and Family Services DoubleTree by Hilton Claremont Duncan+Coleverria EC & AM Associates Inc. Ethel Josephine Scantland Foundation FSC Lighting Supervisor Curt Hagman Heritage Container

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- Ramon and Kristine Echeverria
- Dominic and Suzanne Etcheberria
- Marianna Etcheverria
- Anna Marie and Michael Etcheverria
- William & Jennifer Ferguson
- Mitch & Delora Gariador
- Randy & Debra Gariador
- Jean and Catherine Gastelluberry
- Bradley and Deborah Geyser
- Jonathan & Maria Gomez
- Councilmember Rubio Gonzalez
- Hugo and Marcie Guerrero



# PLANNED GIVING

# 14 donors.

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### **Balance Sheet** 2019

**Revenue by Type** Govt. Program Fees \$3,815,890 **Contract Fees** \$782,077 Government Grants \$431,413 Sales \$43,030 Foundations \$62,000 Individual Giving \$68,415 Service Clubs/Corps \$14,500 Misc \$50,241 **Total Revenue** \$5,267,566

### **Expense by Function**

**Staff Salaries** \$2,846,014 **Employee Benefits** \$885,949 **Client Salaries** \$701,583 \$361,832 Occupancy Other Expense \$686,428 Depreciation \$120,595 Sale of Building \$(3,384,614)

**Total Expenses** 

\$2,217,787

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#### Financial Notes:

Our profit in 2019 was \$3,049,779 due to the sale of Brooks St. property. Operations struggled due the ongoing transition to community-based services. The learning curve for managing these programs has challenged us to quickly make these programs profitable. With the rate increase in 2020, Anthesis should return to ongoing profitability.

# financials. 15

### **Statement of Financial Position**

### Assets

Current Assets	\$ 1,163,329
Property and Equipment	\$ 1,935,065
Other Assets	\$ 1,283,298
Total Current Assets	\$ 4,381,692

### Liabilities / Net Assets

Current Liabilities	\$ 271,891
Long Term Liabilities	\$ 121,375
Total Liabilities	\$ 393,266

Net Assets	\$ 3,988,426
Liabilities/Net Assets	\$ 4,381,692
Revenue	\$ 5,267,566
Expenses	\$ 2,217,787
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 3,049,779

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Our mission is to support independent and inclusive lives for adults with [dis]abilities through employment and community integration.

### **CURRENT PROGRAMS:**

**DAY:** Adult Development Center (ADC) and Round About Senior Services (RASS)

**TRANSITION:** Integrated Employment and Community Based Supports (IECBS)

PLACEMENT: Employment Placement Services (DATS) SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT: Individuals and group (SE-IP & SE-Group)

To learn more about these programs, call 909-624-3555 or visit anthesis.us.



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