

# the ANTHESIS BULLETIN

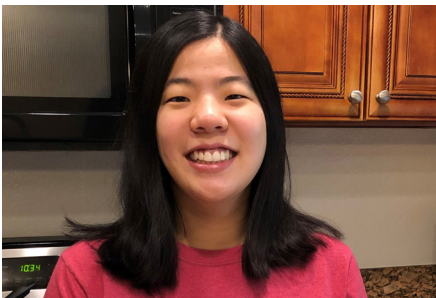
JULY 2020

A MONTHLY UPDATE OF PARTICIPANT HAPPENINGS



## THRIFT STORE RE-OPENING

Great news! The Anthesis Thrift Store has finally re-opened as of June and is now accepting donations. To ensure that all participants, staff and customers have a comfortable and enjoyable experience while shopping at the thrift store, COVID-19 precautions have been set in place. All customers are offered hand sanitizer as they enter and are required to wear their mask while in the store. Staff and participants wash their hands frequently and additional store cleanings have been added. Augusto B. stated that he has been exceptionally happy coming back to work at the thrift store as he is very friendly and has missed being able to greet customers who visit the thrift store. With the thrift store re-opening, the participants who work in the store have once again started to create their intricate displays. The most recent display was for the 4th of July, and while the 4th may have passed we think it is always a good time to be patriotic! The Anthesis Thrift Store is open Monday through Friday from 8:30am-4:00pm. We'd really love to see you all visit our thrift store. The Anthesis participants are looking forward to your visit!



Charis A. from our Transition program has been working towards her goal of improving her cooking skills. One of the weekly activities that Coach Caitlyn provided has Charis working on selecting a recipe and independently following the recipe. In this particular week, Charis chose to create pancakes with sautéed apples. She was proud of her accomplishment, and reports it came out delicious! It is her new favorite recipe. Great job, Charis!



Way to go, David! David B., who is a participant in our Supported Employment program, just recently celebrated his 26th anniversary as an employee of Albertsons. David has expressed that he is very proud of himself for reaching this milestone and acknowledges how enjoyable his experience with working at Albertsons has been. Anthesis is very excited to congratulate David on his ability to excel during his employment at Albertsons and wishes him well as he continues representing Anthesis with his ability to go above and beyond while at work.



Transition participant Travon A. has been continuously working alongside Coach Adrian to be able to confidently handle and manage his personal finances. With that in mind, Coach Adrian brings his bank with him everyday so that Travon may practice identifying & separating different coins into groups, counting coins, as well as making change in hypothetical sales transactions. It is truly great to see our coaches using their creativity to assist our participants with achieving their goals.

## OUR SPRING / SUMMER APPEAL

Anthesis' mission to support independent and inclusive lives for adults with [dis]abilities through employment and community integration remains a guiding light through the COVID-19 pandemic. These past few months have been like nothing anyone could have ever imagined or adequately planned for. In response, Anthesis is launching a campaign to ask you for your help. Over the next few weeks, we will share stories about participants and programs that have had to adapt since the onset of the Pandemic. Hopefully, these stories will serve as a bright moment in your day.

If you can give, please give. If you see a story or post from Anthesis that resonates with you, please share it with your network and ask if they can help as well.

Many Anthesis participants thrive on routine, and COVID-19 has been a huge challenge for them. Through ingenuity, technology, and sustained effort, Anthesis has been able to continue to support all the participants in our programs – but there is an expense.

Your support will make a real difference. Please keep an eye out for these stories, please donate what you can, and please please share! If you are in a position to donate please do so online ([anthesis.us/appeal](http://anthesis.us/appeal)) or by mailing your donation to the address below.

### *getting a closer look*



Thank you for your interview Daniel. It's so great to be able to provide you services!

### **A FEW WORDS WITH DANIEL C.**

Please meet Daniel C. Daniel is a man of few words.

Q: Daniel, you've been with Anthesis a long time. You started in February of 2011 and transitioned to the ADC in February of 2019.

A: *I like it.*

Q: What do you like most about our program?

A: *Everything!*

Q: What are the things that you like to do?

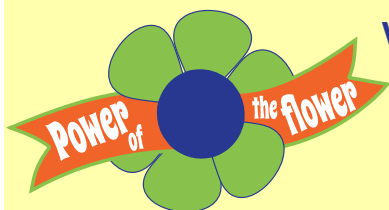
A: *Fishing, Quakes Baseball, the movies*

Q: Can you do me a favor and when you go to places that you enjoy, tell us so we can do more of it, okay?

A: *Okay.*

Q: Who are your favorite people?

A: *Everyone. Raquel is going to call me at 5:00 p.m.*



### **VIRTUAL COMMUNITY FUN AND FITNESS EVENTS**

*to support Anthesis participants and programs*

**OCTOBER 5 – 10, 2020**

OCT. 5-10

Virtual Run/Walk/Bike

OCT. 7

Online Trivia Night

OCT. 5

Zoomba via Zoom

OCT. 9

Wine & Dine via Zoom

### *employment opportunities for Anthesis participants*

#### **FSC LIGHTING – 2 OPENINGS**

Assembling of light fixtures and unloading trucks.

#### **YARD CREW – 1 OPENING**

Performing landscaping services

To apply, contact

Terri Perkins at (909) 624-3555, ext. 243 or

Isabel McDaniel at (909) 624-3555, ext. 266.

Visit our website at [www.anthesis.us](http://www.anthesis.us) or like us on Facebook (@Anthesis.us) to stay up-to-date on all the exciting happenings at Anthesis.

4650 Brooks Street, Montclair, CA 91763 | 909-624-3555