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MEND Celebrates Grand Opening of its New & Expanded Health Services Center on Oct. 18

Pacoima, CA, Oct. 2, 2007 – MEND celebrates the grand opening of its new and expanded Health Services Center with a variety of health screenings, medical consultations, health workshops and tours, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18 at the new MEND Center, 10641 N. San Fernando Road in Pacoima. The event is free and open to the public.

Last year, MEND (Meet Each Need with Dignity) provided nearly \$700,000 worth of medical, vision and dental care to those in need and who had no health insurance. This year, the medical clinic has been moved to a 10,000 square foot space that is six times the size of the former clinic site.

In addition, the new medical clinic has expanded its dental program – through a collaboration with Loma Linda University – from a three-chair operation to an eight-chair center.

The all-day event will include dental, vision, blood sugar and blood pressure screenings; and free flu shots. Health workshops, medical walk-in consults and counseling sessions also will be provided.

All recipients of MEND health services have household incomes below the federal poverty guidelines. MEND, the San Fernando Valley's largest poverty agency, serves clients in the Pacoima, Arleta, Sylmar, Lake View Terrace, San Fernando, North Hills and Mission Hills communities.

For more information on MEND and the grand opening of its new Health Services Center, please call (818) 897-2443 or visit www.mendpoverty.org.

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