

Bridge Newsletter

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Mission Statement

We believe every person has worth and dignity and deserves the opportunity to experience emotional happiness, hope, health, relief, and recovery.

Bridge Counseling is dedicated to providing the services to help people build effective lives.

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Bridge's Open House Celebration



Las Vegas City Councilman Ricki Y. Barlow was our special honoree at the open house celebration for Bridge Counseling. Officiating over the ribbon-cutting ceremony, Councilman Barlow performed the honors to begin the grand tour of our new building at 1640 Alta Drive in Las Vegas. From left to right: Chris Carothers, Board Chairman; Ricki Y. Barlow, Las Vegas City Councilman; Juanita Gay, Development Director; Jacqueline Harris, Executive Director; Ron Thompson, Board Vice President.

Prior to moving into the existing 16,000 square foot building, it was redesigned to better meet the needs of our clients and the services we provide. Bridge has been serving Las Vegas with out-patient substance abuse treatment programs since 1971.

Senatorial Commendation for Bridge

Bridge received a Senatorial Commendation during our open house celebration on

September 7, 2012 from the office of Senator Harry Reid.



The plaque reads, "To honor and commemorate the very special occasion of your Home Is Where The Heart Is open house celebrating the grand-opening of your new office. Thank you for making our community a better place to live. Congratulations!"

We are grateful for Senator Reid's recognition of the treatment services and programs Bridge provides to the community of Las Vegas. Thank you Senator Reid.

(Please see partial list of our programs on pg. 3)

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BRIDGE Counseling Associates

Celebrating 41 Years
1971-2012
Bridge has been changing
lives one family at a
time since 1971

Child abuse prevention and family preservation are our main focus.
Treatment of families is essential.



If you would like to make a year-end tax-deductible donation to Bridge, please use the form on the next page. You can also make a secure donation online by visiting our website: www.bcalv.com Give us a call for more information 474-6450.

More Pictures from Our Open House



Top left: Future star of stage and screen... a young attendee at our open house makes her stage debut. The reviews are in and she's Broadway bound. **Bottom left:** Bridge therapists, Melissa Lumley and Jennifer Gilroy-Sarna (Transitional Treatment Director), welcome guests as they arrive to our open house on September 7, 2012. **Bottom right:** Jacqueline Harris, Executive Director of Bridge Counseling, welcomes the crowd of supporters to our open house.

Many thanks to Linda McCord, Ron Singer, Tim Huey, and Brad Topping for decorating and transforming our lobby for evening's event. They did an amazing job!





Councilman Ricki Y. Barlow Honored

Moving an out-patient treatment facility is no easy task. It is a heavy lift. We are grateful to so many people in the community who understand the value of treatment services. Councilman Barlow is one of those people.

Bridge was welcomed into our new neighborhood by City of Las Vegas, Ward 5, Councilman Barlow and Rancho Manor Neighborhood Association. We are grateful for their patience and understanding during the long process to acquire permits, plans, and licenses necessary for the build out.

Bridge honored Councilman Barlow with a plaque in appreciation for his commitment to the citizenry of Las Vegas. He also received a Senatorial Commendation from Senator Harry Reid during our open house celebration.

Councilman Ricki Y. Barlow receives a plaque from our board president, Chris Carothers, for his contribution and commitment to treatment services at Bridge. From left to right: Juanita Gay, Ricki Y. Barlow, and Chris Carothers. Bottom: Councilman Barlow accepts a Senatorial commendation from Senator Harry Reid's office for his positive impact as a public servant.



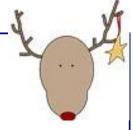


Bridge treats 1500 clients every month. Individuals and families seeking treatment can access services through court programs, referral agencies and self-referral.

`Tis The Season of Gift Giving

Make a tax-deductible donation to help preserve families before the end of the year. Visit our website www.bcalv.com or use the enclosed envelope.

Happy Holidays!



Family-Centered Programs at Bridge

- Families in Transition (FIT) A family reunification program in collaboration with the Department of Family Services
- Voices for Kids Mental health counseling for children with behavioral/mental health issues
- Adolescent Program Outpatient substance abuse treatment program for teens
- Parenting Classes Offering helpful tools for positive parenting techniques
- Nutrition Classes Healthful and nutritious meal options and cooking instruction
- One-on-one individual sessions with a clinician

Phone: 702-474-6450

- Group sessions provide feedback from others experiencing similar circumstances
- All programs are available in Spanish and English

A tax-deductible gift can provide counseling services to atrisk children and their families here in Las Vegas. Please consider a donation to help preserve families in need of crisis services. For more information about our programs please contact our office 702-474-6450

Support Child Abuse Prevention and Family Preservation Bridge Counseling is changing lives one family at a time. Your tax-deductible donation will provide services to at-risk children and their families. Please apply my donation to the programs checked Infants and toddlers ☐ Pre School 2-6 years \$ School Age 6-12 years Teens up to 18 years ■ Wherever needed most Subtotal: Total: Method of Payment Name Check Address Bill Me Visa MasterCard American Express Credit Card # Exp. date Signature Your donation will help defray the cost of services to at-risk families. 1640 Alta Drive, Suite #4 Phone:702-474-6450 Las Vegas, NV 89106 Fax: 702-474-6463

Support Children's Mental Health

website: www.bcalv.com

Make a tax-deductible gift before December 31, 2012

Make a difference in a child's life.

Charitable Giving Can Last a Lifetime

Clip this form and return in the enclosed envelope or mail to:

Bridge Counseling Associates 1640 Alta Drive Suite #4 Las Vegas, NV 89106

Your donation is taxdeductible to the fullest extent of the law.





Reaching out to lives...Reaching up with hope



New Address

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Celebrating 41 Years,
Bridging the Road to Help
Families Heal



Our Board of Directors for 2013

Chris Carothers has served on our board since 1996 and currently serves as board **President.**

Candace Young-Richey is this year's Vice President and has served on our board since 2005.

Dr. Nancy Karr serves as our current **Treasurer** and has been a board member since 2009.

Natalie Montas is our new board **Secretary.** She joined our board in 2012.

Ron Thompson is a current **Member-At-Large** and has served in several officer positions since 2001.

Our board meets monthly to review agency policies and/or procedures and recommends client-driven, programmatic improvements to existing and future treatment programs at Bridge Counseling.

Thanks to our board members, Bridge's mission to serve the community has remained intact since 1971.

If you are interested in becoming a member of our board to serve the community of Las Vegas children who have been exposed to abuse, neglect or endangerment and can make a commitment of time, resources and energy, please contact our office at 702-474-6450.



We wish everyone a happy, healthy, peaceful holiday season filled with wonderful memories.

Happy New Year