



Announcement!!

Sherry Bonanno hired as our first Executive Director!



Dear Friends of the Hollywood Food Coalition,

The HFC Board of Directors is thrilled to announce the appointment of Sherry Bonanno to the position of Executive Director!

Sherry will become HFC's first paid E.D. in its 33-year history, as of this month.

Sherry first came to HFC over 18 years ago. She wanted her children to understand how so many across our globe struggle with hardship, and to know that there are those who are disadvantaged living in their own city.

Sherry has worn nearly every hat possible in her years with the Hollywood Food Coalition, from cooking meals, driving the truck, organizing the kitchen, taking clients to doctor appointments, helping them navigate housing, working with community and political partners, to most recently serving multiple terms as our Board President. She was instrumental in helping HFC move off the street to our indoor location three years ago.

Sherry comes to us with a master's degree in Occupational Therapy from USC. For thirty years she has made her living helping the disabled, and she brings to the HFC a profound concern for the welfare of those who are struggling, along with the tools needed to help them make improvements in their lives.

Nobody knows or understands the challenges and rewards of the work we do better than Sherry, or has better demonstrated, in her many years of volunteering for the HFC, what it means to put our client's needs before all other considerations.

Sherry believes that the strength of the HFC lies in its ability to function as a coalition, where everyone feels welcome and accepted. She envisions HFC as a community hub where agencies and partners can help our clients get support for their immediate needs as well as for their personal growth.

It's our primary job, as a board, to do everything we can do to ensure the long-term health and welfare of the Hollywood Food Coalition, and with this appointment we are convinced that we are taking a significant step towards achieving this goal.

Finally, we would like to applaud the passion and hard work of the thousands and thousands of people who have collectively built the HFC over the last three plus decades, as well as recognize the bonds of affection forged between our clients and our volunteers, which is what has animated so many people to care so much about this organization's mission, vision and future.

Sincerely,

The Hollywood Food Coalition Board of Directors



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