



## ***From the Chief Executive Officer, Bob Lieberman***

The February newsletter is a time each year when we pause to thank all of those who have supported us over the past year. I'm sure you agree that the list inside is impressive indeed.

The recent events at Newtown and Clackamas Town Center (along with others) represent a trend that seems to be growing in our nation. They demonstrate powerfully how high the stakes are in promoting mental wellness for our young people. In many ways the prospect is daunting but on the other hand our increasing knowledge of how our brains work and what we can do to help young people is hopeful. What seems to me to be most critical is that we as a society see this latest tragic loss of innocence as a true wakeup call and make the investments in supporting our families and children that will change the equation and move the dial in the right direction. You all, the individuals, businesses, and foundations that support our efforts, recognize the urgency. You show it through your contributions, your words of encouragement, and your simple connectedness with us. We greatly value this support. We don't take it for granted and we work hard to earn it and sustain it.

The difference you help us make is significant, one young person and family at a time. But as is clear, the need is growing in our local communities and across the country. Our Board has decided to respond to what can now be seen as an emergent public health crisis, by working in partnership with government, business, other non-profits, prior patients, and private individuals to respond to the increasing need and develop more arenas of access for young people and their families.

We are opening a new Residential Treatment Home for young adults in transition in Eugene this Spring and we will be actively disseminating the Kairos School Community Team model, which for 8 years has promoted healthy school climates and cultures in a number of schools in Three Rivers, Rogue River, and North Bend School Districts. Closer to home, we are developing a Children's Mental Health Campus around the corner from our offices on Ramsey Avenue in Grants Pass. This significant undertaking will include building a new Community Services Building as well as a new building to house New Beginnings, our psychiatric residential program, that building will also contain an urgent care unit for youth in psychiatric and behavioral crisis. We hope and plan to use the existing residential facility in Merlin to provide other needed services, once the New Beginnings Program relocates.

We will keep you informed of our progress in subsequent newsletters but also feel free to give us a call or visit our website ([www.kairosnw.org](http://www.kairosnw.org)) if you have any questions. Thank you so very much, once again, for helping to create so many moments when change is possible.

**Thank you for helping us meet our goals in striving to enhance the lives of those we serve.**

## **2012 Grant Awards**

### **Capacity Development Project**

Carpenter Foundation \$5,000

### **School Community Team (SCT)**

Mid Rogue Foundation \$15,000

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### **SCT Mentoring Project**

OCF Regional Action Initiative \$42,000

Josephine Count Local Alcohol & Drug Prevention Council \$2,500

### **Sensory Integration Project**

Bay Area Hospital \$5,000



***The below is a note written by a client that they requested be sent to all of the agency staff. We thought we would share this with you.***

*Dear Kairos Agency,*

*Thank you so much for helping me and the many other children and young adults you have been and will be helping.*

*You all are amazing and kind for being there with us, helping us grow and growing with us.*

*You have been an inspiration to me and I'm very thankful for all that you have done for me, I will always remember all of you and I wish you a wonderful life filled with happiness, love, and fun.*

*Yours truly,  
Panda Girl*

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