

City of Whittier Revamps Crossing Guard Program

Safety - the safety of "my kids" - is the top priority for dedicated All City Management Services School Crossing Guards throughout the State.

The communities we serve certainly share that goal but are challenged with the need to constantly balance the demand for important services with limited resources and budgets.

The City of Whittier, an All City Management Services client since 1998, has recently shown the type of forward-thinking that brings meaningful solutions to the community and ACMS employees.

For many years Crossing Guards in the City of Whittier were scheduled for three shifts each school day to serve elementary school students as well as morning and afternoon kindergarten classes. Weekly Minimum Day schedules required additional



staffing needs.

This resulted in Crossing Guards being required to commit most of their day to either being on duty or traveling to and from their site.

In an effort to streamline the service while remaining focused on safety, City leaders recognized the role of adults in providing for the safety of kindergarten students.

As these students are not allowed to walk unescorted, the City redesigned the program to focus on providing for the safety needs of

unaccompanied students and allowed the adults accompanying kindergartners to continue to provide for their safety.

This insightful solution resulted in allowing All City Management Services Crossing Guards to rededicate their efforts to the unaccompanied students traveling to and from school twice a day.

Additionally, the City was able to realize a savings while not eliminating service or compromising student safety at any of the dozens of intersections where ACMS Crossing Guards are assigned.

AMCS is proud to honor the City of Whittier for their innovative and professional approach to providing for the safety of their most vulnerable and important citizens the children.

TOP CROSSING GUARDS CHOSEN

All City Management Services is proud to announce the recipients of the 2007-2008 Crossing Guard of The Year Award in communities throughout the State. The program is designed to reward individual excellence, as well as bring attention to the important work done by all Crossing Guards, in the communities we serve. In addition to recognition from ACMS, most cities or school districts also choose to acknowledge their recipient. These accolades, combined with the loyal appreciation of the children and school community they serve, make this award a true honor.

2007-2008 Outstanding Crossing Guards of the Year

Bernardina Acosta Garden Grove	Caridad Cruz L.A. County	Eunice Hill Rancho Cucamonga	Betty Lowe L.A. County	Sara Rios Tustin
Margaret Apodaca New Haven School District	Maria DePrevoisin Yorba Linda	Ed Hulme Pleasanton	Martha Lucero El Monte	Maria Rodriguez Downey
Luisa Aragon Whittier	Bob Diaz Redwood City	Wanda Lou Jackson L.A. County	Matthew Martin Fontana School District	Bertha Rodriguez Montebello
Barbara Bell Livermore	Don Lunghi Millbrae	Samantha John Fullerton	Miguel Martinez Covina	Kathy Rother San Clemente
Maria Brito L.A. County	Nicholas Douglas Beverly Hills	Marlow Jones Compton	Nicholas Martucci Lake Forest	James Taplin Newark
Stephanie Brown Adelanto School District	Florencio Flores Bellflower	William Jordan Pittsburg Unified School District	Richard McQuade Fremont	Teodulo Urzua Bell Gardens
Yvonne Carter Oakley	John Garcia Santa Ana	Ruby Kinneman Concord	Carmen Moreno Rancho Cucamonga	Hortencia Valles L.A. County
Terri Chapman Fountain Valley	Virginia Garcia Signal Hill	Joseph Lafleur Pleasant Hill	Darlene Mouw Artesia	Roseanna Vasquez Santa Maria
Nancy Childers Placentia	Lorenzo Graciano Ontario	Brenda Landucci Dublin	Janet Newman Laguna Niguel	Carl Von Hartman Tracy
Barbara Cole Tracy	Bernie Gurian Ventura	Darlene LeMasters Cypress	Geno Pardino Novato Unified School District	Suvada West Lawndale
Ellis Cooper Pasadena	Betty Hall Rolling Hills Estates	Ron Leschot Walnut Creek	Theresa Peters L.A. County	Sharon Wickwire Hermosa Beach
Denise Coppersmith Aliso Viejo	Raymond Hall Corona	Richard Lin TAM, Marin County	Christy Pocorena Chino Consortium	Ronnie Williams Paramount
Sue Crook Mission Viejo	Maria Haro Baldwin Park	Elizabeth Lopez Arcadia	Mary Prior Rancho Santa Margarita	Harold Zaff Agoura Hills

AROUND ALL CITY

ACMS HONORS MACLOVIA PRECIADO FOR HER INCREDIBLE DEDICATION



The dictionary defines DEDICATION as “devotion, commitment, loyalty and enthusiasm.” Some of us at ACMS might look for the name MACLOVIA PRECIADO in that definition. As a valued employee for almost 20 years, Maclovía was all of those things and more to countless Crossing Guards before her recent retirement. Maclovía started her career as a Crossing Guard at Ford Boulevard Elementary School in East Los Angeles. She chose the work because it allowed her to be available to her family and four young children. It wasn't long before she was tapped for promotion by All City Management Services founder Ron Farwell. She served as Area Supervisor in East Los Angeles for many years before transferring to supervise the program for the City of Whittier. She received the respect and admiration of employees, school personnel and police officers alike during her career. We take this opportunity to thank Maclovía for her many years of dedication and service and wish her every happiness in retirement.

YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR:

Annual ACMS Employee Picnic

Bring your Family and Friends for

FOOD, FUN, GAMES, PRIZES, GIFTS, AND ENTERTAINMENT!

(Each Employee may bring up to 4 guests free. Additional guests are \$5.00 each)

Registration at the Gate upon arrival

**Northern California
Saturday, May 10th, 2008**

Alameda County Fairgrounds
4501 Pleasanton Avenue
Pleasanton, CA 94566
12 NOON -4:30 P.M.

**Southern California
Saturday, June 14th, 2008**

San Dimas Canyon Park
1628 Sycamore Canyon Road
San Dimas, CA 91773
12 NOON -4:30 P.M.

LOOK FOR ADDITIONAL INFO IN YOUR MAILBOX SOON OR CONTACT YOUR SUPERVISOR.

GEORGE SIMPSON RETIRES AFTER YEARS OF HARD WORK AND REMARKABLE SERVICE



If there was a prize for energy, hard work and commitment to duty it might well go to GEORGE SIMPSON. George has recently retired from his Crossing Guard duties at the demanding crosswalk in front of Robert Bruce Elementary in the central coast city of Santa Maria. George is well-loved by students and parents alike as he has provided for their safety every day for over 11 years. At 95 years young George's energy and good health will keep him connected to "his kids." He plans to continue to return to the school on a regular basis to say hello --- and no doubt check on that crosswalk of his. ACMS joins George's friends and colleagues in thanking him for his years of service and wishing him the best in the years to come.

GREAT GUARD

GIVEAWAY

GRAND PRIZE:

Two (2) Roundtrip tickets
ANYWHERE
Southwest Airlines flies



Your chance to win!!!

SECOND PLACE:

One (1) Roundtrip ticket
ANYWHERE Southwest Airlines
flies plus \$100 **CASH**



THIRD PLACE:

\$200 CASH

FOURTH PLACE:

\$100 CASH



Contest Rules:

Winners must be a current employee of ACMS at time of drawing. Winners will be drawn at the Annual ACMS Picnics. All entries must be on an original "Official Entry" form. No copies of entry form are allowed.

COMPLETE CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Name: _____ City Where You Work: _____

Phone: _____ Supervisor's Name: _____



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