

# A Snapshot

## Forestville Teen Clinic

### Teen Clinic Remodel

Made possible by the Forestville Community Fund, Lumber Liquidators and our amazing volunteers!

In an attempt to create a more teen-friendly space, we recently remodeled our clinic! We now have a "teen lounge", a pantry and snack bar, a homework bar and so much more! We strive to make teens feel comfortable and allow for a safe space in Forestville for local West County youth!

We received a grant to make this all feasible and our flooring was donated by Lumber Liquidators. A local carpenter donated his time to help with the flooring installation. Teen Clinic teen volunteers came in to help paint the waiting room and bathroom. Teen Clinic Coordinator, Erin Elo, put in lots of hours to pull the whole project together! We are so excited for the final result!

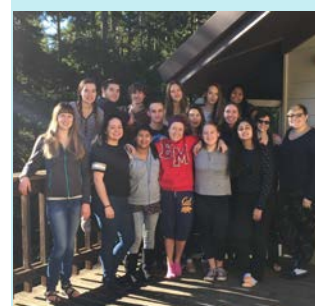
Check out our remodel process!!



### 2016-2017

#### Recruitment!

Do you know of a young person in high school who is interested in going into medicine, education, or social media marketing? We will be beginning to recruit for our 2016-2017 peer education program this spring! If they are interested, they can contact Kelsey Britt at [kbritt@wchealth.org](mailto:kbritt@wchealth.org)



## NEWLY PASSED SEX ED LAW!

October 1st Governor Brown signed Assembly Bill 329 that mandates sex education in the state of California for 7th-12th grade students. This bill went into affect January 1st, 2015. This is exciting news! Our education team is excited and ready for this! Before this new bill, sex education was not mandatory in California; HIV/AIDS education was mandated but only once during middle school and once during high school. This bill supports the education we do and we know this will help all students to get an age-appropriate, medically accurate sex education!

## Peer Education Spring Retreat!

On February 5-7th, the peer education program went on our second retreat! We went to CYO Retreat Center, where we stayed in cabins, enjoyed delicious food, and experienced the beauty of the Occidental area. During this retreat, the peer educators learned how to facilitate the presentations that they will be doing in our local schools. They learned what skills and qualities they will need to have in order to be effective facilitators, and they started practicing the presentations. The peer



educators also had the opportunity to learn more about themselves as leaders and community members through a workshop facilitated by Lawrence Edwards, a local youth development speaker. In between all of their hard work with Lawrence and with learning about presentations, the peer educators bonded as a group through hiking, a karaoke show, Twister, and our famous semi-annual retreat Condom Olympics!

## SCHOOL SEX EDUCATION IN THE WEST COUNTY SCHOOLS

We are in the middle of presentation season! Since school started in the fall, we have been going to local schools to talk about sexual and reproductive health. We are continuing our presentations throughout the spring, but starting this month, the peer educators will be joining us! They will be assisting our educators in the middle schools and facilitating the jeopardy-style presentations in the high schools.