




M E R C I November 2018

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4  Daylight Saving Time Ends	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Veteran's Day MERC Open	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 MERC Board meeting 6:30pm Chandler Site	21	22 Thanksgiving Day MERC Closed	23 Day after Thanksgiving MERC Closed	24
25	26	27	28 Minimum Day Program ends @ 12:00 p.m. STAFF IN-SERVICE @ 1:00 P.M.	29	30	

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November 1, 2018

To: Consumers, Families, & Care Providers
From: MERCI

MERC's holiday closure: November 22 & 23, 2018 in observance of Thanksgiving. We will be open on Veteran's Day, Monday November 12, 2018.

Message from the Executive Director:

MERC has been brimming with excitement this past month. The consumers celebrated Halloween with parties and a classroom decorating contest. In addition to the Halloween festivities, we have been planning and preparing for Trees of Enchantment. We have begun decorating our Christmas trees and are all getting in the holiday spirit. If you have a special interest or hobby, please consider sponsoring a Christmas tree with that theme. As this is my first Trees of Enchantment I am truly excited to meet all of you longtime supporters of MERCI. For more information about how to sponsor a Christmas tree or donate to this great event please feel to contact me directly at (626) 289-8817 ext. 131. Thank you all for your continued support.

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, December 2, 2018



MERC's "TREES OF ENCHANTMENT" FUNDRAISER

Invitation and Sponsorship letters have been sent out. Tickets and sponsorship opportunities will be available on our website. Attention crafters we need items for our Boutique. Please let us know if you would like to donate.

Whether you're celebrating a milestone or planning a business event, we welcome you to rent our newly constructed 5,000 square ft. multipurpose room complete with a commercial kitchen for special events, social gatherings or private parties. Our indoor event space can accommodate up to 400 guests or it can be sectioned off for smaller groups as well. Call Jillian Van Leuven, Executive Director for more information at 626-289-8817 ext.131 or via email; jvanleuven@merci.org.

Keep an eye out for announcements on our monthly fundraisers!

Additional ways to support MERCI:

Any used ink/laser cartridge can be turned into our office and we will recycle them!

Ralphs rewards Community Contribution Program. Please sign up or re-register.

Directions and scanbar code are attached. If you require assistance, please contact the office.

Download the GoodSearch Toolbar at www.goodsearch.com and add MERCI as your designated non-profit. Every search raises funds for us.



Register with www.igive.com and shop their extensive collection of businesses. A portion of your purchase goes to MERCi. The website will also inform you what percentage of your purchase will be donated.

We continue to collect UPCs and beverage caps from participating products to earn points that can be redeemed for FREE educational merchandise! You can turn in your UPCs and beverage caps into MERCi's office. For a complete list of participating products, please visit LabelsForEducation.com.

Support MERCi while you shop at smile.amazon.com. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible [AmazonSmile](https://www.amazon.com/AmazonSmile) purchases to MERCi whenever you shop on AmazonSmile. Simply designate MERCi as your charitable organization after signing in.

Please make illness the only excuse for not attending MERCi.

Our programs depend on attendance the revenue that attendance provides allows us to provide services; it is our lifeline to keeping our doors open.

Using email allows us to save on paper and postage!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at (626) 289-8817 or at merci@merci.org.

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