

## VALLEJO OUTREACH

### Purpose

Vallejo Outreach was formed to provide the underprivileged and underserved of Vallejo and the surrounding community with goods and services to support them in their efforts to lead positive, productive lives. The three pronged approach includes distributing emergency resources such as food and clothing to help ease immediate pressures; empowering individuals to experience resiliency in the face of adverse circumstances by training them to manage their lives in a personally fulfilling and productive manner; and facilitating networks amongst community agencies and businesses to respond to material, physical and social needs of individuals and families in distress.

### Activities

1. Annual Vallejo Outreach Community Fair. Several thousand pounds of groceries, thousands of articles of clothing, and school backpacks and supplies are distributed free of charge to the less fortunate of the city. The event includes an extensive health and human services fair, a fun-filled children's carnival, and an inspiring entertainment package along with free lunch. The fair provides an environment where people of all ages and ethnicities can come together to celebrate community and support one another. It is also a catalyst for empowering individuals by networking them with the community resources available.
2. Annual Christmas outreach. Each Christmas hundreds of underprivileged community children and their families will receive support by being "adopted" so as to provide gifts and groceries for the holidays.