



# COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

# NEWS RELEASE

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## MEDIA ADVISORY

### GRAND OPENING OF HEALTH CENTER AT SCHOOL FOR FOSTER YOUTH

*New Facility Made Possible By Donations From Local Family and Businesses*

- WHO:** Greg Cox, District 1 County Supervisor  
Ron Roberts, District 4 County Supervisor  
Patric Ashby, Health and Human Services Agency, Child Welfare Services Director  
Richard & Gaby Sulpizio, Donors  
Representatives from the Child Abuse Prevention Foundation  
Academy foster youth
- WHAT:** Ribbon cutting and grand opening of the *Sulpizio Family Health and Wellness Center*, at San Pasqual Academy. **Reception and refreshments to follow.**
- WHEN:** 10 a.m. Wednesday, September 15, 2004
- WHERE:** San Pasqual Academy  
17701 San Pasqual Valley Rd  
Escondido, CA 92025
- WHY:** San Pasqual Academy is San Diego County's first-in-the-nation, residential education campus for adolescent foster youth. These young men and women have been faced with stressful and difficult life situations, often from a young age, and have elected to attend the Academy because they cannot be reunited with their family, and have not fared well in the traditional foster care system.

The Sulpizio Family Health and Wellness Center will provide a comprehensive physical and behavioral health program to assist these youths in their development of life-long, positive health behaviors. The Center's vision is to establish a "culture of wellness" through health education, prevention strategies, and intervention services in key areas such as substance use/abuse, stress management, fitness/nutrition, and healthy relationships.

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