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Community New Start, Inc. Hires New Youth Programs Manager

Local Agency Recruits New Face at CNS

Austin, TX – October 9, 2009 – Community New Start, Inc. (CNS), a local Christian non-profit organization chartered with building up and transforming the lives of students and families in under-resourced neighborhoods, announced today that Veronica Tutaj has joined the organization as the new Youth Programs Manager.

Veronica Tutaj is the newest member to the Community New Start family. Ms. Tutaj brings years of valuable experience to this role. Her past experiences include having served 7 years as a Community Educator with the Travis County Attorney's Office Underage Drinking Prevention Program. She later continued her work in ministry and service with kids serving 4 years as the East Austin Area Director with YoungLife ministries. As an Area Director she was responsible for managing the area ministry of East Austin. Her ministry to the East Austin area was planted in Travis and Reagan High Schools.

In addition, she was responsible for recruiting, training, leading, serving and mentoring College leaders to actively pursue minority economically disadvantaged High School students in building personal relationships with leaders as mentors with a sole purpose of introducing kids to Christ and helping them grow in their relationship.

Along side the YoungLife ministry she also managed the ministry of YoungLives, a ministry for Pregnant and Teen Moms on both High School campuses. The purpose of this ministry is to pursue a relationship with the Teen Moms and their babies in order to introduce the love of Christ for a life transforming change for them, their babies and families for generations to come.

At Community New Start, Veronica's ministry role will be to ensure and maintain the daily management of programs, including Smart Start an after-school program and Side by Side, a mentoring program. She will support two site Program Coordinators, Interns, Smart Start Teachers and Community Volunteers. She will also provide oversight for various weekly activities so that CNS may minister to students introducing them and their families to the love and relationship to Christ.

Questions regarding Community New Start, Smart Start, Side by Side, or other ministry activities can be directed to Veronica at 1033 La Posada Dr. #372, Austin, TX 78752 or by calling: 512-371-9393 or email at: veronica@communitynewstart.org.

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