Partnership Challenges: Facing Community Denial and Finding Common Ground

Guest Speakers Biography

Jim Rear

- After graduating from Cal Poly, SLO, began teaching at San Benancio MS in Salinas, Ca in 1972.
- Has been a teacher in the Salinas Union High School District since 1975.
- Taught Math & PE at Alisal HS in Salinas, CA until 1990.
- March of 1990 appointed the Executive Director of Sunrise House (Youth/Family Counseling & Crisis Center for Alcohol and Drug related issues) – 1990 to present.
- Varsity Boys Basketball Coach at Alisal HS from 1976 to 1997.
- Current Varsity Boys Basketball Coach at Everett Alvarez HS, Salinas, CA.
- Has been a member of the Calif. State Athletics Directors Association, National High School Athletic Coaches Association, Salinas Recreation-Parks Commission, Chairperson for the Monterey County 5-year Master Plan to Reduce Alcohol/Drug Problems, California State Juvenile Officers Association and served as a United Way Campaign Coordinator in Salinas.
- Past President of the Salinas Police Activities League.
- Past President of the California Coaches Association.-still on the State Board.
- Past President of the Salinas Steinbeck Rotary Club.
- Current National Chairperson for Boys Basketball for the National High School Athletic Coaches Association.
- Currently serving on the California Interscholastic Federation's Federated Council.