

Vintners help Cecily thrive

Dear editor, Auction Napa Valley does it again! Year after year, our community benefits from the generosity of the Napa Valley Vintners' Auction Napa Valley. Our thanks to our local vintners, their dedicated staff, volunteers and the generous bidders who travel each year to the auction.

For 36 years, Cope Family Center has served Napa County families with critical prevention, crisis and educational services. Today, more than ever, families in our community need our support.

“We were on the brink of becoming homeless. After my divorce, I felt hopeless and rejected. The bank was foreclosing on my house and I feared for the well-being of my two small children. Not only was I dealing with the stress of raising two children as a single parent, but I was constantly worried about how to make my paycheck stretch to cover the bills. Now I stayed awake all night thinking about losing my home.

Being far from family, I had nowhere to turn, when a neighbor suggested I go to Cope Family Center. At Cope, I started working with a home visitor. The greatest gift she gave me was the gift of hope and a renewed confidence that I could put my life back together. Cope helped me through the foreclosure and into an affordable apartment for me and the kids. I also started taking financial management classes to learn how to budget my money and build some savings, and my kids are learning too. Cope is a godsend.” — Cecily

Thanks to Auction Napa Valley and our many community supporters, Cope continues to empower parents like Cecily every day. Learn how you can help Cope help families by contacting us at 252-1123 or visit us on the Web at www.copefamilycenter.org.

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