

Meet The Board

Name: Alice Turney

I am: Newly elected to the Board

My current position is: Program Coordinator

County Agency: Santa Clara County - Social Services Agency

I have served: Previously **on the Board** from 1997 through 2007.

Offices I have held and Committees I have participated on:

I served as Conference Chair (San Francisco), Treasurer, Legislative Committee Chair, By-Laws, Finance Committee and Fundraising Committees.

My vision for NEW: PATHS:

Is for eligibility and support staff to realize the value in being a part of a professional organization that acknowledges their contributions in improving the welfare of others and that time spent on NEW:PATHS activities and conferences is beneficial and rewarding and is actually an investment in themselves and their careers. In the difficult economic times many counties are facing, I see our members working not only to better develop themselves but also in a collaborative effort with their Departments to promote professional development and behavior on the job in order to better assist our clients.

A little bit about myself:

I have worked for Santa Clara County Social Services for twenty (20) years in eligibility; the last 10 years as Medi-Cal Program Coordinator. I also served as Director of a county Food Stamp Outreach Program and worked in other areas of Social Work including crisis counseling. I joined NEW in 1994 and attended my first CA State Conference in Anaheim that year despite an earthquake and my first National conference in Las Vegas. I am a founding member of the Santa Clara County Chapter chartered in 1996, and was elected to the CA State Chapter Board of Directors in 1997. I have been married to my husband Bill for 35 years and have two children and 4 granddaughters. I enjoy the scenic beauty and cultural activities California has to offer.