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Community Leader Joins Advisory Committee

The Pittsburgh Child Guidance Foundation welcomes **Joan Eichner**, Doctor of Public Health, as she begins a two-year term on the PCGF Advisory Committee.

Dr. Eichner currently serves as a program administrator at the UPMC Center for High-Value Health Care, where she oversees internal and external research and evaluation projects designed to improve healthcare quality, efficiency, patient experience and patient outcomes. Prior to working at UPMC, Dr. Eichner was Director of the

Division of Applied Research and Evaluation at the University of Pittsburgh Office of Child Development. In that role, she supported the Pittsburgh Child Guidance Foundation on several projects. Dr. Eichner's leadership experience includes piloting improvements in caring for young children and their families in the homeless housing system, evaluating video-based teen pregnancy prevention intervention, and overseeing professional development training for homeless shelter staff. ■

Board Member Honored as "Neighborhood Leader"

Congratulations to PCGF Board member **Sister Janice Vanderneck**, who recently received the Neighborhood Leader Award from the Pittsburgh Community Reinvestment Group (PCRG). Since 1988, the coalition has honored community leaders in the Pittsburgh area at its annual Community Development Summit. The recipient of the Neighborhood Leader Award, dedicated in honor of the late Mayor Bob O'Connor, is selected by family members to honor an individual who exemplifies Mr. O'Connor's dedication to neighborhood improvement. ■

Sister Janice Vanderneck and PCRG Executive Director Ernie Hogan pose at the 2017 Community Development Summit.



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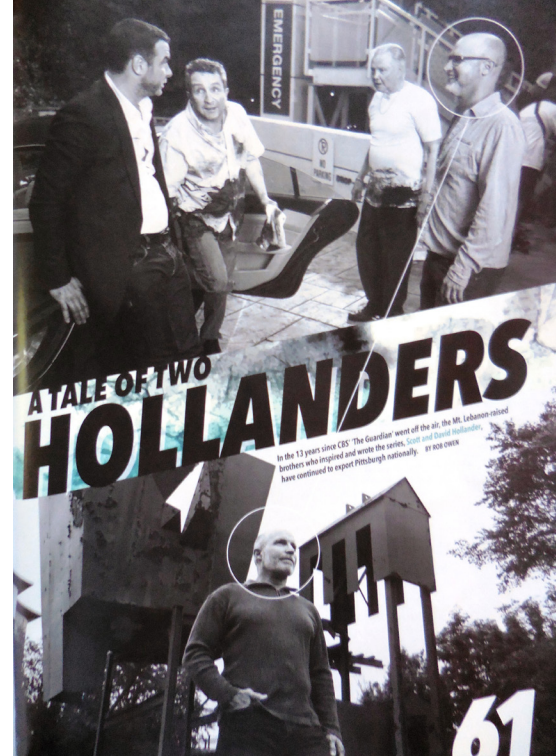
Kudos to...

PCGF Board member **Scott Hollander**, who was featured in the August issue of Pittsburgh Magazine – along with his brother David – in an article “Showtime Brothers: A Tale of Two Hollanders.” In the 13 years since CBS “The Guardian” went off the air, the Mt. Lebanon-raised siblings who inspired and wrote the series have continued to export Pittsburgh nationally.



Congratulations to PCGF Advisory Committee member **Joan Eichner**, and her husband Josh Greenberg, who welcomed baby Henry Nathan Greenberg on July 3. ■

Joan, Josh and big sister Cecilia surround baby Henry.



Call for Proposals: Programs helping families with children experiencing homelessness

The Pittsburgh Child Guidance Foundation is presenting the opportunity for Allegheny County 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations to apply for a grant that supports programs related to helping families with children who are experiencing homelessness.

PCGF is particularly interested in learning about and supporting innovative programs and practices that encourage improvements to service delivery and/or policies. Submit your request by October 20, 2017. Any grants received need to be earmarked for families with children who are experiencing homelessness.

The Pittsburgh Child Guidance Foundation is dedicated to improving the emotional health and well-being of children living in Allegheny County by providing grants and collaborating with public and private organizations to implement innovative policies, practices and programs. For more information on submitting a grant application, visit our website at PittsburghChildGuidanceFoundation.org. ■

Mark Your Calendars

We ask Trustees to make every effort to attend these 2017 meetings:

Board Meeting

Tuesday, Sept. 19
4 – 5:30 p.m.

Grant Proposal Deadline

Friday, Oct. 20
» [Click for guidelines](#)

Board Meeting/ Annual Meeting

Tuesday, Nov. 14
4 – 5 p.m. meeting
5 p.m. reception

All meetings will be held at the Foundation Office.

PCGF Hosts New Online Research and Resources

Visit the Pittsburgh Child Guidance Foundation website to view a variety of reports and resources including two new white papers:

BigBurgh.com App Helps Individuals Experiencing Homelessness

This report provides an overview of the creation of BigBurgh, a completely free and accessible mobile app that can be viewed on any smartphone, tablet, laptop or desktop computer. Providers and others interested in BigBurgh can download the newest white paper to learn about the development process and preliminary results of this invaluable resource for police, teachers, clergy, medical and social services professionals, parents, ordinary citizens and homeless individuals. A four-page project “digest” also is posted online.

» [Click here for the report.](#)

Young Children & Homelessness in Allegheny County: Opportunities to Make a Difference

The Office of Child Development at the University of Pittsburgh (OCD) has prepared a project briefing that frames and clarifies issues faced by young children and families experiencing homelessness. Through interviews with social service providers and families, the OCD made recommendations for how we all can work to improve the lives of young children and families experiencing homelessness and increase their access to resources.

» [Click here for project briefing.](#)