**Mission:** Childhood Cancer Foundation of Southern California's mission is to provide emotional, social, educational and emergency assistance to families who have a child with cancer. CCFSC received our non profit (501 c 3 ) status in May 1981, although we started in 1978.

Project: Proposal to re-roof the Doug-Out and unattached garage in traditional red tile.

**Doug-Out History:** In 1978 several families who had a child receiving treatment for cancer met and identified a need for a place for families to stay while their child was in the hospital. Loma Linda University Medical Center was eager to help the families who needed a place to sleep and cook meals for their children. In 1982 they donated a 1200 square foot, 2 bedroom home to Childhood Cancer Foundation of Southern California (formerly known as Candlelighters). One family, the York's, had a son named Doug. They lived in Corona. While Doug was fighting his disease he wanted "home cooked" food. They lived too far away to commute and they couldn't afford a hotel/motel. Due to the York's involvement and everyone's effort, it was decided to name this gift the "Doug-Out" in memory of Doug York who had passed away after battling his disease.

In 2009 the Doug Out was in need of much repair. The Home Depot located in San Bernardino took the complete re-built of the Doug-Out and caretaker home as a community outreach project. Their donation was exceptional, but it did not include the roof.

Childhood Cancer Foundation of Southern California continues to offer this home away from home at no cost to families who have a children receiving treatment for cancer.

**Services:** This is a list of some of the other services we provide to the children and their families.

- 1. Emergency financial assistance is given to families with special needs, such as groceries, transportation, wigs, clothing, etc.
- 2. A newsletter that provides the families with information about up-coming events, speakers, educational and health related issues.
- 3. CCFSC provides toys for the children who have special procedures at the Out patient clinic as well as providing weekly gifts to children in the hospital.
- 4. Christmas Celebration. For the past several years, we have had over 600 guests with 350 being children who have or have had cancer and their siblings.
- 5. Family summer picnic
- 6. Pumpkin Patch Party the families are treated to an afternoon of seasonal activities, a pumpkin for each families, and gifts.
- 7. Easter-Egg Hunt for the children.
- 8. Candle Lighting Ceremonies for families that have lost a child to cancer and for newly diagnosed and survivors of childhood cancer.
- 9. Kids' Walk, to provide community awareness about childhood cancer. This event is in <u>September, which is Childhood Cancer Awareness month.</u>
- 10. Hospital visitation to newly diagnosed children and their families, by a person who has been through the experience.
- 11. Bereavement assistance.
- 12. Teen Connection where teens are able to interact with others teens experiencing cancer.

CCFSC appreciates your consideration in helping put a new roof on this very special home. Thank you for your kindness. Non -profit Tax ID # 33-0536599. We will be happy to provide acknowledgement of your donation of service on our website and in our quarterly newsletter. www.ccfsocal.org