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**A News Release from Womenade - North San Luis Obispo County**

Womenade – North San Luis Obispo County will be holding its first public meeting on July 7th at 4:00, at the Twin Cities Hospital’s Morgan Conference room. Come and be a part of this exciting new beginning. There will be refreshments offered and donations will be encouraged.

During the gathering we will be honoring Sandy Richardson, the founder of SLOWomenade many years ago. A notebook is being created and we would appreciate any pictures, letters or notes of appreciation. Please send to [womenadeslo@lsssc.org](mailto:womenadeslo@lsssc.org). This is be a particularly poignant event as Sandy is retiring and Womenade North San Luis Obispo County is just beginning to be formed. And we know that it means we are filling some really big shoes. We are also very excited that Sandy will be joining our Advisory Council as Emeritus Director sharing her expertise and experience.

SLOWomenade has helped thousands of people and we are excited to carry on this tradition. Womenade North San Luis Obispo County is partnering with Lutheran Social Services of Southern California, a 70 year old non-profit, to create a local grass-roots initiative connecting your generosity to your neighbor's emergency.

A Womenade member captured our work writing: "Lemonade starts with a bunch of lemons, Womenade started with a bunch of women, the rest....is history!” This group of fun people are carrying a long tradition of making a concrete difference in the lives of people in the North County. Come and join the fun!