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**Get involved** 



Wonderful volunteers,

Ready to reveal your inner superhero? Help with the Village Run/Walk on Halloween to raise awareness and much-needed funds for services for our clients. We also have our always-awesome Community-at-Large Day on Oct. 3. Enjoy your Labor Day Weekend.

Jo Ellen

### **CALLING ALL SUPERHEROES!** Volunteers Needed for the Village Run/Walk on Oct. 31

Plans for our **Haunted Village Run/Walk** are on track, and we need volunteers to help with community outreach as well the race itself on Saturday, Oct. 31. Yes, the race is on Halloween day, so be prepared for ghosts, ghouls, goblins, superheroes, archvillains, and even little devils.

On race day, we will need volunteer crews for the warm-up area and starting line, decorating committee, water stations, finish line, awards ceremony, family festival, costume contest, kids' craft area and more.

We also need a community outreach team to help spread the word to potential runners, walkers, sponsors and donors. You can **start** now. The days and hours are flexible. In this role, you can help the Village Run/Walk raise even more funds to make our clients lives better. Please **contact us** for more information.

For the Village Run/Walk, we are again partnering with the Village Family Services, a nonprofit organization that provides services to atrisk children and youth. The course follows the walkway along the Metro Orange Line route; Metro is a major sponsor, and Los Angeles City Councilman Bob Blumenfield is the Grand Marshal. The 5K run/walk will start at the Orange Line Sepulveda Station and end at the Los Angeles Valley College (LAVC) Orange Line station. The family festival, which runs from 9:30 am until approximately noon, will be at the southwest corner of the campus, near the finish line.

Runners and walkers can **sign up** for the race now. Teams are welcome. We also have a Kiddie K.

## A-HAUNTING WE WILL GO Help Us Decorate for Our Spooktacular Run/Walk

How lucky can we be? The **Village Run/Walk** is on Halloween day, and we have a wonderful opportunity to decorate the course and family festival areas.

Do you have Halloween decorations that you want to donate to the cause? Do you or your group want to create original artwork to line the course or adorn the family festival? Your ghosts, monsters, pumpkins and zombies should be sturdy for outdoor use, and large (even lifesize).

Please **let us know** what you're bringing. We ask you to deliver your decorations to the decorating committee at the race site on Halloween. We won't be able to store or return your items (but you can bring them home after the event). This is a great project for a Village Run/Walk team, a family, a club, a kids' group, a business or an individual.

Let us take your picture with your creation (be it Spider Woman or Frankenstein). Don't be scared. They're all pretend -- or are they?

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#### **New Volunteer Job!**

Do you type? Quickly? Accurately? Our Day Programs Director and Residential Program Director have a couple of awesome projects with you in mind! They are in need of someone to type up a few documents from the 80s into Word. Please let us know if you can be our **Document Modernizer!** 

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#### **LET'S GET TOGETHER**

### Community-at-Large Day Oct. 3

It's a joyful day for clients and volunteers - Community-at-Large Day when persons
with developmental disabilities get together
with volunteers and community members
for a day fun and friendship. We have set
the day for Oct. 3, and are working to



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finalize our location, which we will let you know shortly. Rest assured, we always go somewhere great.

Volunteers arrive about 9:45 am for training, then enjoy a few hours touring our venue, picnicking, and often singing. We're usually done by 2 pm.

Clients and staff from many organizations participate, along with enthusiastic volunteers from all over. Please mark your calendar and **sign up now** so we can keep you updated. **LEARN MORE** 

# MUSIC, GAMES, & A PICNIC IN THE SHADE Thank You, Super Saturday Volunteers

We had remarkable attendance and a great time at the Rhythm and Joy Festival on Aug. 29 at Warner Center Park . For this Super Saturday event, we had the shadiest spot in the park, close but not too close to the band shell where the musicians



performed. Clients and volunteers enjoyed the lawn games, including bowling with giant inflatable bowling pins.

The lunch crew put together some 150 sandwiches for the picnic,

which clients enjoyed relaxing under the trees. We had such wonderful volunteers - - individuals, Kiwanis International members, and a large contingent from the Key Club at El Camino Real High School. Thank you all. We have these events every month, and can always use **enthusiastic helpers**.



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Sincerely,

Jo Ellen Krumm

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