



# VALLEY VILLAGE LEGACY GROUP NEWSLETTER

*September 2019*



*The Valley Village Foundation was formed to ensure the future financial viability of Valley Village. The focus of the Foundation is the endowment to provide lifelong care for our clients.*



## **WELCOME TO THE NEW VALLEY VILLAGE LEGACY GROUP NEWSLETTER**

*Valley Village is pleased to share the new, quarterly Legacy Group Newsletter. Each quarter we will share special updates regarding Valley Village and the Foundation. This newsletter replaces the quarterly update letter in our efforts to bring you new and meaningful updates. If you have a story you would like to contribute to the newsletter, please contact Matthew Swearman at [matthew@vvc.org](mailto:matthew@vvc.org).*





## 2019 VILLAGE RUN/WALK AND FAMILY FESTIVAL

The 2019 Village Run/Walk and Family Festival will be held on Sunday, November 3, 2019, from 7am to noon at Anthony C. Beilenson Park in Van Nuys. Our goal is to bring 500 people together to support Valley Village programs that serve adults with developmental disabilities. Register to volunteer, run or walk today at [www.villagerunwalk.org](http://www.villagerunwalk.org). If you would like to sponsor mile markers or food for 5 and 10k participants, contact Matthew Swearman at [matthew@vvc.org](mailto:matthew@vvc.org).

## BARB SMITH RECEIVES 2019 HERO OF THE YEAR AWARD

*Congratulations to Valley Village's Barbara Smith, Director of Residential Programs! Barbara is the recipient of the American Health Care Association (AHCA) 2019 Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Hero of the Year award. The award honors volunteers and individuals who provide care in long term and post-acute care centers and residences for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Barbara has worked at Valley Village for 25 years.*



## GROWING OUR LEGACY

The Valley Village Legacy group is focused on growing membership and the endowment. The purpose of the Legacy Group is to provide for the long-term sustainability and financial viability of Valley Village. While State funding remains uncertain, it is incumbent upon us to do all we can to ensure the long-term sustainability of Valley Village. If you know someone who you think would be interested in this level of engagement, please reach out to Matthew Swearman at [matthew@vvc.org](mailto:matthew@vvc.org) or 818.587.9450, ext. 161.