

# VALLEY VILLAGE LEGACY GROUP NEWSLETTER

Summer 2021

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.



#### RETURN TO SMALL GROUP GATHERINGS SURVEY RESULTS

Thank you to all who participated in the recent survey to determine interest and feelings about in-person Legacy Group gatherings. Overwhelmingly, survey participants indicated a strong desire to attend small group gatherings. While we are navigating the surge of the Delta Variant and the summer heat, we will reach out when we can safely gather as a group. We miss you, and we look forward to when we can see you in person!

## CELEBRATING VALLEY VILLAGE'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Valley Village is celebrating the 50th anniversary of its founding this year. We are grateful for family members, volunteers, and supporters who help us achieve our mission to protect, foster, develop, and advance the rights and interests of people with developmental disabilities.

Join us throughout the 50th anniversary year as we share stories demonstrating our positive impacts on the community. Follow @ValleyVillageLA on Facebook and Instagram, where we share stories every Thursday during the anniversary year. If you would like to share your story, contact Matthew at matthew@vvc.org or 818.587.9450 ext. 161.



### JOIN TEAM VALLEY VILLAGE IN THE LA MARATHON

Valley Village is an official nonprofit partner in the 2021 LA Big 5K. All who will join Team Valley Village for the event and raise funds that support the programs helping women and men with developmental and intellectual challenges live independently as possible. Learn more at valleyvillage.org/la-marathon.



We are hosting a Zoom session on Wednesday, August 25, for all interested in participating with Team Valley Village. During the meeting, we will share more information about the event and how to register. The LA Big 5K is a family-friendly race open to participants of all ages and abilities, including runners, walkers, and strollers. The race takes place on November 6, 2021.

#### **VALLEY VILLAGE 2021 ANNUAL MEETING – SAVE THE DATE**

Valley Village will host its 2021 Annual Meeting on Thursday, September 23, at 5 pm on Zoom. Please save the date. We will send the official meeting notice in the coming weeks with more details on the agenda and how to RSVP and join the meeting.



#### VOLUNTEERS HELP REVITALIZE VALLEY VILLAGE'S SENSORY GARDENS

In the past several weeks, volunteers helped positively impact Valley Village's ADC and ADHC Sensory Gardens. We are about to revitalize the gardens for participants to enjoy when they return to programs. Before that could happen, we needed to clean up, and prep raised beds and surface areas. Thanks to dedicated volunteers, the two gardens are ready for updates ranging from new soil and plants to new floor surfaces to improve access for

participants. Follow ValleyVillageLA on Facebook and Instagram to see photos and updates about the gardens and other improvements we are making at Valley Village facilities.