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Sharon Eazell KenGraphics Dr. Loren E. Sanchez Inland Valley Hope Partners held its **26**<sup>th</sup> **Annual Golf Classic to Feed the Hungry and Shelter the Homeless** on Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. This year's event, taking place at the Sierra Lakes Golf Course, raised nearly \$35,000 to benefit our food pantries and distributions, housing programs, and healthy living programs.

A huge thank you to our many sponsors, especially our **Title Sponsor Pacific Western Bank**. For a complete list of Golf Classic Sponsors, please see the list to the left. We would also like to extend our appreciation to all the volunteers and our Golf Committee (Chair Ted Powl, Brenda Clark, and Mike Schirm) whose assistance made this event possible!

Join us at next year's Golf Classic event scheduled for Tuesday, May 14, 2024!



Left to right: Yvonne West, Hope Partners' Office/Fiscal Administrator, was overjoyed by her raffle win; Congratulations to this year's winning golf team from Pacific Western Bank.

## Calendar of Events/ Activities

Every Saturday
Evergreen Ribbon Cutting.....June 27, 2023
Annual Meeting....June 28, 2023
50th Walk for the Hungry & Homeless....September 30, 2023

Call or email office for bold events (need volunteers)! 909-622-3806, x108;

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## Who We Are ...

Celebrating over 50 years of commitment, Inland Valley Hope Partners serves over 75,000 men, women and children each year through "Our House" family residential shelter; and Rapid Re-Housing; BETA, SOVA, Claremont, San Dimas and South Pomona food pantries; and the Pomona Farmers' Market throughout 13 communities including Chino, Chino Hills, Claremont, Diamond Bar, La Verne, Montclair, Mt. Baldy, Ontario, Pomona, Rancho Cucamonga, San Dimas, Upland,

and Walnut. The shelter houses five families for up to 90 days. The food pantries distribute five days worth of food per person to no and low income families. Clients may come once every 30 days. The Farmers Market operates every Saturday morning and accepts WIC and EBT cards. Begun in 1968 as the Pomona Council of Churches, today the non-profit is a collaboration of faith communities, businesses, community groups, and individuals who care about their neighbors.

## Blessings ...

When pressed, nearly anyone who has worked in a non-profit or ministry will tell you that their work is more than just a job, it is a calling. And one of the many joys of our positions is that we aren't just measuring the numbers or the sales, we get to measure *life change*.

Recently, one of our former clients reached out to thank us for the role our agency played in helping her and her family through a rough season of their lives. As a partner in our work, I thought it important to share her testimonial with you:



I would like to thank Inland Valley Hope Partners for all the help that was given to me during a very challenging time in my life. In 2017, I needed help in more ways than one and didn't really know or understand how to get it. I had 3 young children and was making choices that were devastating my life. Inland Valley Hope Partners helped me with housing and provided other resources to help me with becoming self-sufficient. Some

of these resources included budgeting my finances, employment assistance, education preparation, and emotional wellness. I'm so grateful for this help because for a long time, I was truly lost and traumatized from both my childhood and some adulthood experiences. Karen Abram and the other staff had patience with me, walked me through the suppressed pain and helped me to understand how to push forward. It felt so comforting to know that someone cared. It also lightened the load for me to know that I didn't have to worry about where I would stay and if I was going to have enough to pay my rent.

I am doing so much better now and consider myself a productive member of society thanks to Inland Valley Hope Partners. I am presently finishing up a master's degree at California Baptist University to be a Marriage & Family Therapist and looking forward to purchasing a home. I'm grateful for the love and support. Thanks again!!

—TiTwan Sebala

I am so proud of the work our staff and volunteers do every day to help our community members. Stories like TiTwan's are so rewarding and help keep us all motivated on the more challenging days. Thank you to all our partners for the role you play in making these stories possible!

Blessings!

Kami Grosvenor

President/CEO

## **Local School Kids Need Your Help!**

Area students may have just ended their school year, but we at Inland Valley Hope Partners are already making plans to ensure kids in low-income households are able to begin the 23-24 school year with the supplies they need to succeed. With the first day of school scheduled as early as August 7<sup>th</sup>, **now** is the perfect time to begin a supply drive!

#### **Common Items Needed Include:**



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School Supplies will be needed in mid July, if possible, for distribution before the start of school. Donations are accepted in the administration office (1753 N. Park Ave., Pomona) from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday. For more information, contact our Development & Volunteer Relations Associate Cirenia "CC" Cuevas at 909-622-3806, x108 or CC@inlandvalleyhopepartners.org.



# Fair Food Drive Makes a Big Impact at Hope Partners

Huge thanks to the LA County Fair for the incredible donation of canned goods to our local food pantries. This will go a LONG way to feeding our neighbors struggling with food insecurity.

## Hope Partners to Host Annual Meeting



All supporters are invited to virtually join Inland Valley Hope Partners for this year's Annual Meeting on Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. The meeting will include a brief state of the agency as well as the election of board members

and officers.

If you are interested in attending the meeting, please RSVP to President/CEO Kami Grosvenor at 909-622-3806, x101 or <a href="mailto:kamig@inlandvalleyhopepartners.org">kamig@inlandvalleyhopepartners.org</a>. Once your RSVP has been submitted, we will send you a link to the zoom meeting.

# Thank You to Claremont Presbyterian Church



John York plays the classic "Here Comes the Sun" at Claremont Presbyterian Church's Local Legends Outdoor Summer Concert Series event on Saturday, June 3rd. Inland Valley Hope Partners was invited to speak at the concert, and a portion of all funds raised will be donated in support of our mission. Thank you to our friends at Claremont Presbyterian Church for including us in this innovative fundraising event.

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## Save the Date for the 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk for the Hungry and Homeless!



This year Inland Valley Hope Partners will be hosting a mind-boggling **50**<sup>th</sup> **Walk for the Hungry and Homeless!!** You don't want to miss this **MILESTONE** event! Make sure to make plans to join us for the 5K Walk on:

## Saturday, September 30, 2023

8 a.m. Registration Begins \* 9 a.m. Walk Begins
Claremont Colleges Services

(101 S. Mills Ave. in Claremont)

Registration will again be \$25 for adults, \$20 for students, and free for children 12 and under with all registered walkers receiving a free giveaway item. This year's event will feature free popcorn, balloons and lots of fun for the whole family. We can't wait to reveal all we have in

store! To make your pledge to get involved and be the first to receive your Walk materials when they become available this summer, please contact Development & Volunteer Relations Associate Cirenia "CC" Cuevas at 909-622-3806, x108 or cc@inlandvalleyhopepartners.org.

## Ribbon Cutting at the New Evergreen Pantry

Join Inland Valley Hope Partners and Community Partners 4 Innovation (CP4I) to celebrate the opening of our new food pantry site at Lopez Urban Farm on Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. The event will feature a brief presentation and light refreshments while offering visitors the chance to check out this unique collaboration at work. Lopez Urban Farm is located at 1034 W. Mission Blvd. in Pomona.

Affectionately dubbed the Evergreen Equal-Access Market Pantry, the new food distribution site combines traditional food assistance with fresh produce from an urban farm, providing the community with access to reliable and nutritious food options. For more information, please contact Kami Grosvenor at 909-622-3806, x101 or <a href="mailto:kamig@inlandvalleyhopepartners.org">kamig@inlandvalleyhopepartners.org</a>.

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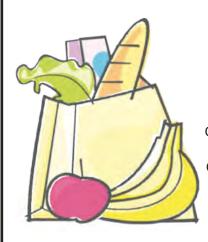
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