

Golfers Hit The Links For Hope Partners' Annual Golf Classic

It was a great day to play golf at the **24th Annual Golf Classic** at Sierra Lakes Golf Course on Thursday, June 10th. Social distancing and not having our usual dinner with raffles and silent auctions didn't stop our golfers from showing up and having a good time while still supporting our efforts to feed the hungry and shelter the homeless. Once again, Pacific Western Bank stepped up as Title Sponsor and helped the tournament raise more than \$30,000 to support Hope Partners' food pantries and housing programs. The event's success was due to the incredible generosity and support of our sponsors and golfers, including:

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We would also like to extend our appreciation to the volunteers and our Golf Committee members Ted Powl (Chair), Brenda Clark, and Mike Schirm whose assistance made this event possible!

Hope to see you at the 25th Annual Golf Classic tentatively scheduled for May 2022.

Calendar of Events/Activities

Farmers' Market.....Every Saturday

48th Annual Virtual Walk for the Hungry and Homeless....September 2021

Call or email office for bold events (need volunteers)!

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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

June at Inland Valley Hope Partners means the conclusion of another fiscal year. This annual routine of closing the financial books provides the perfect opportunity to reflect on what has been accomplished this year with the precious resources you entrusted to our agency. I thought it appropriate to share a few highlights with you:



- Our Food Security Program saw an increase in first-time clients. Unduplicated households made up nearly 42% of the total families we served this fiscal year.
- 30% of the families visiting our pantries indicated they needed the emergency food assistance due to financial impacts related to COVID-19.
- Rental Assistance requests skyrocketed this year despite the eviction moratorium. Thanks to generous funding from private and government sources, Hope Partners was able to provide 124 families with at least one month's rental payment to help them avoid homelessness.
- Two VERY generous benefactors have donated the funding needed to complete Phase 1 of the planned renovation and expansion of the Our House Family Shelter! This means that sometime in the very near future we will be able to begin construction on a new fire sprinkler system, revised sewer system and cosmetic improvements that will allow us to expand the capacity of the current shelter by seven beds! Stay tuned for more information.

Once again, this year reminded us that our agency's biggest blessing is our wonderful friends in the community who come alongside us to serve the food and shelter needs of our struggling neighbors. If not for your unwavering support, Hope Partners would be unable to fulfill our mission. Thank you!

Blessings!

Kami Grosvenor

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Monday - Thursday 8:00 am-6:00 pm

Hope Partners is Gifted with Two Trucks



Aaron Mathiesen of Noble House Home Furnishings hands the truck keys to our Food Security Program manager Isaac Vega.

Thank you to **Noble House Home Furnishings, LLC** for donating two 16ft trucks to Hope Partners. Noble House Home Furnishings of Ontario no longer needed these trucks, and since they were still in good condition, Noble wanted to donate them to a non-profit that could use them. Of course, we proudly accepted them. These trucks, as well as our current refrigerated truck, will help our pantry staff be able to pick up more donations in multiple locations.

Thank you again to Noble House Home Furnishings, LLC for the very generous donation.

Our Community Is Amazing

We are so blessed to have incredible community partners who are always eager to support Inland Valley Hope Partners' work and those we serve.

On June 29th, volunteers from **Pilgrim Congregational Church** participated in a gleaning project on the campus of First Christian Church of Pomona. They picked over 500 lbs of peaches and apricots. All fruits were sent to



Volunteers from **Pilgrim Congregational Church** were all smiles after picking peaches and apricots for Hope Partners gleaning program.

our food pantries to be distributed to our clients in need of healthy foods.



Dave and Amy from **QuestMark Flooring** presenting Hope Partners with food and monetary donations.

Employees at **QuestMark Flooring** hosted a food drive benefiting Hope Partners, and the company proudly matched their donations with a check made out to Hope Partners food security program.

Thank you for being so supportive!

Get Involved To Make An Impact

Do you have great ideas and want to be more involved in Hope Partners' programs?

Inland Valley Hope Partners is looking for new members for the following committees:

Development, Walk for the Hungry and Homeless event planning, Annual Golf Classic event planning, and Healthy Living. If you are interested in being a part of these committees, please contact Autumn Washington, Director of Development and Communications, at 909-622-3806, x105 or email

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It's Time for the Annual Back to School Supply Drive

It's time to start collecting paper, pencils, and those other important school supplies children need to succeed when they return to school in August and September. Help Hope Partners provide these items to the low-income children we serve by hosting a school supplies drive or simply adding a few basic back-to-school items to your own shopping list.

Items needed include:

Pens	Backpacks
#2 Pencils	Copy Paper
Spiral Notebooks	Index Cards
Folders with Pockets	Loose-Leaf Notebook Paper
3-Ring Binders	Rulers
Box of Crayons	Scissors
Colored Pencils	Glue Sticks/Glue Bottles
Planners	Pencil Case/Pouch
Calculators	Hand Sanitizers/Wipes
Highlighters	



These NEW items will be needed in mid July, if possible. 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 the development department at 909-622-3806, x108 or CC@inlandvalleyhopepartners.org.

Don't Miss this Year's Walk for the Hungry and Homeless!



The **48th Annual Walk for the Hungry and Homeless** will once again be a virtual event allowing participants to walk/run/jog anywhere during the whole month of September. Supporters will be able to create teams and fundraise on behalf of Inland Valley Hope Partners.

Online donations are now open on our website, and pledge forms are available to download at www.InlandValleyHopePartners.org. This event is a great way to connect with your family and friends via email and social networks to raise money for the cause!

In addition to the online fundraising, we will also be hosting

Walk for the Hungry and Homeless Pop-Up events. The pop-up events are a great opportunity for supporters to meet at local walking trails to bring awareness to our hungry and homeless neighbors. Socialize in small groups more details and information will be available soon.

Multiply your impact and enjoyment by forming a walk team with your family, friends, co-workers, and faith community. Every dollar you raise helps to put food on the tables of our hungry neighbors and a roof over the heads of those struggling with homelessness. Please share your photos and videos with us on social media (Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram) by tagging us @inlandvalleyhopepartners and using the hashtag #walkforthehungryandhomeless.

To learn how you can participate in this year's event, contact the Development Department at 909-622-3806 x. 105 or 108.

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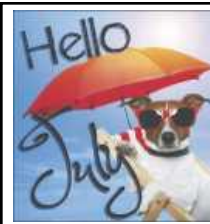
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