



# LIFE SERVICES ALTERNATIVES

*A recap of summer at Life Services Alternatives*



## CALLE VIENTO LEASED: PEOPLE AT THE CENTER OF OUR HOMES

On July 1st LSA entered into a long-term lease for a home on Calle Viento in Morgan Hill. This was made possible by a collaboration between LSA, a Morgan Hill family, and the San Andreas Regional Center (SARC). The family was interested in a home for their adult son and SARC was eager for additional capacity to help with the current shortage. LSA and the family worked together to find an ideal property that was then renovated and leased to LSA. For this Morgan Hill family, that leads to a great place for their son to remain living in his community, and for SARC it means fewer on their waiting list. For LSA it means that we will be able to open a second new home this year and make progress toward our mission to provide quality living and loving homes for people with special needs. "I'm hopeful that this approach will create new possibilities for residents, and we are excited to explore more opportunities like this with other families," said Dana Hooper, LSA's Executive Director.

*"provide exceptional living and quality care for people with special needs."*

## TAMARACK PURCHASED: THE KEYS FROM A KIWI

A whole lot of love and team effort went into the purchasing of our newest home. LSA is excited to announce that we will open another home in addition to our Calle Viento home. The competitive housing market, limited options for the right style of home, and a lack of resources had our team searching tirelessly for a new home for months.

The Tamarack location will be home to five new residents. This home features an open floor layout, a spacious backyard, and a beautiful kitchen.

LSA received the keys from its previous owner, a native New Zealander, Richard Perry, on May 6, 2019. Toward the end of the walk through, the Kiwi presented LSA with a check! "The contributions and generous support from people like Mr. Perry, the Milani's, the Marshalla's, and many other families that help LSA provide superior care and additional homes for people with special needs, thank you to all those who have contributed to the purchase of this home," said Dana.



## UPCOMING EVENT: THE ART OF INCLUSION



For the past few months our organization teamed up with two organizations serving the Santa Clara County community to celebrate the beauty of diversity, inclusion and collaboration with the Triton Museum of Art, and Archbishop Mitty High School. We have joined together in creating the "Art of Inclusion," an art program designed to bring community together in the spirit of creativity and finding common ground.

We've paired our residents with these High School students to produce a special collection of works. The final showing of their work will be on exhibit one night only at the the Triton Museum Saturday, October 19th, where each piece will be auctioned off to benefit LSA. Please join us for a wonderful evening full of laughter, art, and community. Get tickets at <http://bit.ly/lisahomes>. Email or call our team at [marketing@lsahomes.org](mailto:marketing@lsahomes.org) and 408-727-3493.

## LSA FINDS NEW ADMIN WITHIN ITS OWN: ROGER VICENTE



Roger's career has been dedicated to supporting individuals with developmental disabilities and seniors with Alzheimer's for 18 years. Roger started as a DSP for LSA in 2007 and has been instrumental in providing quality care and services to all of the homes. Congratulations on your new role as Home Administrator Roger!

## SUN DAYS FUND DAYS: SUMMER SOIREES

Our summer opened with a lot of love, laughter, and parties. This year, our LSA team hosted two new fundraising and “friend-raising” events to raise awareness and money needed in solving the housing crisis in Silicon Valley. Over 150 guests gathered at both our Board Member, Olenka Villarreal and our Executive Director, Dana Hooper’s homes to discuss our housing crisis and what it takes to open a LSA home. Each guest listened to stories from our families about their journey. Our fundraiser and “friend-raiser” parties rung in over \$20,000.00 and drew in support from over four different cities and their governing authorities. A very special thank you to Robert and Olenka Villarreal for hosting our Summer Soiree. If you are interested in hosting your own event or know someone who might be interested, contact [development@lsahomes.org](mailto:development@lsahomes.org).



Our CITP participants also gathered around food this summer as we celebrated our sixth year of the program. Our CITP staff, participants, and LSA residents joined together for barbeque, games, cake and sunshine in the park this past season and enjoyed their day off together. Interested in our CITP program? Contact [info@lsahomes.org](mailto:info@lsahomes.org) with an attention subject line for Roger Vincente.



There is no place like... Disneyland. Our Cambrian and Rivermark 1 residents took to the road this past June to visit the land of Disney and kicked back for some much-needed R&R, sun, and fun. Each of these “Mouseketeers” also known as Amber, Vanessa, Christie, Jennifer enjoyed a magic moment this summer while meeting some of their favorite characters and taking our staff for a ride. “It was well worth the trip, these women made some lasting memories and each moment was a joy for our team,”



## DONALD, DOWNTIME, AND DISNEYLAND DAYS: OUR HOUSEHOLDS TRAVEL TO DISNEYLAND



said Edwenna, the Home Administrator for Rivermark 1 and Cambrian, who chaperoned the trip. Did you know that taking a vacation for just a few days can improve mental health, help prevent cardiovascular disease, reduce stress, and improve your relationships according to Huffington Post? Sponsor a trip like the vacation our residents took this summer by donating at [www.lсахomes.org/donate](http://www.lсахomes.org/donate).



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We hope everyone had an amazing summer season! Our LSA family enjoyed fun in the sun and more – from our Summer Solstice party to Cinco De Mayo, Stella's luau bash, to numerous parties in June, July and August – this summer has been a season of celebration! To see photos from our festivities, visit us on Facebook and Instagram! | Twitter: LSA\_HOMES | Facebook: LifeServicesAlternatives | Instagram: Isahomes | LinkedIn: liseservicesalternatives

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