



DELHAVEN COMMUNITY CENTER

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Message From the Executive Director

Welcome family and friends to the New Year! As with all of us, we have seen many challenges presented to Delhaven over the past few years. During these difficult times, Delhaven remained true to our core belief that we are here to serve our community, and during the most difficult times is when our community needs us the most. Our State Licensed Day Care Facility for our Special Needs participants remained open for those who needed care, our after school programs for children continued, our Family Resource Center assisting those with emergency food, clothing, hygiene products, and more remained open in our local community continued. Although this pandemic is not over and appears to be with us for a while moving forward, Delhaven continues to re-open our other programs and services, and continues to be a support system for our community! Finally, in regards to health safety for our families, participants, and staff, at the beginning of this pandemic and then throughout the pandemic as new information was given, Delhaven implemented an extremely strict health and safety mitigation plan that all staff and participants follow. On top of that, all of our staff are vaccinated and are tested regularly. Welcome to 2022 😊

1st Annual Family Miniature Golf Tournament

In conjunction with the new Because We Care Program, Delhaven will be holding their first annual Family Miniature Golf Tournament on Saturday, February 26th at Golf and Stuff in Norwalk (off the 60 and 605 freeways). The event will be from 9:00 to 12:00 pm, and include a round of miniature golf, game tokens for the children, various competitions including a hole in one, and a lunch banquet with awards. This is one of the main fundraisers to benefit the Because We Care program. The event has a limit of 100 golfers. We are also looking for various sponsorships including Hole Sponsors, Birdie Sponsor, Eagle Sponsor, and Event Sponsor. For information please contact Tim Seal at tim.seal@delhavencc.org



NEW...Because We Care

Since 1972- almost 50 years of service, Delhaven has been revolutionary in our development of new concepts of needed programming within our community. From being the first to provide structured after school educational and enrichment activities at our location and at school facilities, to being instrumental in the development of Special Olympics back in their grass roots beginnings, to the development of a specialized program working closely with our schools for children with emotional and / or behavioral challenges, and many more.

Delhaven has developed a new program called Because We Care. This unique program focuses on providing a support system for those facing challenges with mental illness, learning disabilities, and services for our special needs population. These services consist of the development of a network of various types of therapists, including those specializing in mental illness, speech, behavioral, physical, educational, art, and music, whom we can connect those in need of those services with. The program also provides financial support, and family support groups. As part of this program, we will be creating an Adaptive Physical Fitness Center. These services are all being provided in a very healthy, comfortable environment here at Delhaven where our families already know and trust us, and where all of the bureaucracy is left out.

The official kick off of this program will be held on Saturday, February 5th from 4:00 to 6:30 pm, as we hold a Walk Out of Darkness event which focuses on Suicide Awareness and bringing family and friends together in support of each other. Please reach out to us at tim.seal@delhavencc.org or (626)917-9789 for more information on the Walk Out of Darkness Event, and the over-all Because We Care Program.

35th Annual Industry Hills Charity Pro Rodeo

The Rodeo is back! After taking a year off due to the pandemic, the Rodeo was again on and was an absolute great success! With record breaking number of spectators (sell outs), continued support from our sponsors which brought in a record-breaking profit, a great group of cowboys and stock that put on an amazing show, continued support from our vendors, and a really fun volunteer celebration for all of their hard work, it was an incredible weekend. On top of that, the Industry Hills Charity Pro Rodeo, and the Gabriel Foundation, held their first annual Charity Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame induction. Dave Perez, Tom Moreland, Ken Rammel- the fathers of the Rodeo who began this adventure 36 years ago and are the reasons why there is a Rodeo today, were the first to be inducted. All three had a passion for helping the low income and disadvantaged youth and special needs in this community! The Gabriel Foundation, who governs the Charity Pro Rodeo, have been the single largest financial supporters of Delhaven for the past 36 years. They are a true partner with us as continue making a difference by Building Better Tomorrows!

49th Annual Halloween Party

With covid and social distancing, this year's Halloween party was different in many ways but the one thing that stayed the same was everyone had lots of fun. We have over 1,000 in attendance and 150 volunteers. Our Costume judging contest was one of the biggest we've had in years with hundreds of entries all competing for the top prize. Though we didn't have any monster mazes this year, the trick or treating through our "Enchanted Princess Castle" was a huge hit with everyone walking away with candy and cookies. The Carnival game and contest area were filled with families laughing and smiling as they won prize after prize and everyone leaving the snack bar looked satisfied and well fed. We look forward to next where we can bring back some of our classic Halloween favorites and still incorporate some of the great things we did this year.

49th Annual Christmas Basket Distribution

One of the first programs Delhaven Community Center offered to our local community was providing Christmas support to those families in need during the holidays that were referred to us by our local HLPUSD and WUSD. Forty-Nine years later, in partnership with our local school districts and local community groups such as the California Highway Patrol, Purist Group, City of Industry YAL, City of Industry, City of La Puente, Viejo Car Club, local service clubs, and many more, we continue to offer this special service. Despite pouring rain, this year's event saw 179 families (over 1,000 children and their parents), receive Christmas Baskets that included brand new toys for every child, frozen turkeys, and other dinner food items. It was an amazing evening! Again, thank you for everyone that has supported this service, and for participating in making a difference in our community!



Return of our Saturday Happy Timers

Our Saturday Happy Timers takes place the first Saturday of every month. Our clients from different homes gather here at Delhaven Community Center and partake in various events. Our staff plan out developmentally appropriate activities where our clients can thrive. Each Saturday has a special theme. One of the best received activities was the Paint and Sip event. We end our Saturday's with Karaoke. Everyone enjoys singing to Michael Jackson and Elvis Presley.



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Community Based Day Care Program

Several years ago, Delhaven began working on a new Community Based Day Care Program for our special needs adults through our partnership with San Gabriel Valley Regional Center. This has been a work in progress throughout the pandemic but is now near fruition. The concept behind this new adventure is for some of our participants to be fully integrated into our community through volunteer opportunities, local social and recreational activities, community safety and job skill training, educational opportunities, and more. It will be an amazing opportunity for several of our participants. Look for this summer 2022 for our official kick-off of this new and exciting program.



After School Program

After spending last school year online, this year our staff has been servicing our students in person. We have continued to provide homework help, physical activity, and different enrichments. This year we continued our annual tradition of our Book giveaway during literacy week in September, where every student chose a new book to keep. Also, there was a change of our Pie Social and instead provided a cupcake to each student and created a thankful tree. Our middle schools have started a new DJ club where students are able to learn the fundamentals of DJing during program. Lastly, we ended the year with our Annual Winter Literacy Fest, where students were given 5 free books to enjoy over the winter break. We have many events to look forward to second semester such as our District Talent Show, Spring Literacy Fest, and so much more per individual site.



Delhaven Resource Center

Did you know Delhaven has a resource center for families in our community?

Delhaven knows there may be times we need extra assistance and has been able to provide free clothing, food, and bill assistance (limited) when needed. We also accept donations. Hellen and Kerry Cullen run the day to day operation and are there to help you or those in our community. We are open Monday - Friday

Closed on major holidays 11AM - 4PM. Please call before heading over in case we are out for pick ups (626)931-7921.

Delhaven Board of Directors

Delhaven Community Center is a Private Non-Profit Social Service Agency. As a Non-Profit, we are governed by a Board of Directors. Our Board meets officially every three months to discuss and set forth policies, evaluate finances, approve, or deny certain motions regarding programs and personnel, and discuss and make decisions regarding various aspects of Delhaven's daily operation. There are also sub-committees of the Board of Directors including Personnel Committee, Finance Committee, Program Committee, and Executive Committee. Those committees meet as needed to discuss and bring forth issues or policy change recommendations to the Board of Directors. Our Board consist of 12 members, all of whom have something invested in Delhaven, and are all role models for being a working Board- meaning more than just attending meetings, our board members volunteer regularly at Delhaven, and visit and participate regularly. We are blessed to have a tremendous Board that supports and believes in every aspect of Delhaven Community Center, and leads the way by example.