

QV OVERVIEW

UPCOMING EVENTS

Magical Forest AT OPPORTUNITY VILLAGE



Since 1991, the Magical Forest has opened its gates each holiday season to thank the Las Vegas community for their continued support and to raise important funds for Opportunity Village.

The Magical Forest has become a Southern Nevada tradition and attracts hundreds of thousands of guests from across the globe. The Magical Forest has raised millions of dollars to enrich the lives of Opportunity Village clients and their families. Proceeds from this signature event are invested into OV's programs and services to support the nearly 2,000 clients with intellectual and related disabilities we serve annually. More than just a source of funding, the Magical Forest is a special time for all guests. As our clients' successes grow, so too does our Magical Forest, with each twinkling light representing a success story at OV.

Guests can celebrate the holidays in this magical winter wonderland filled with sparkling lights, nightly entertainment, great food, and endless holiday cheer. Enjoy rides on Cheyenne's Enchanted Carousel, the Forest Express Passenger Train, the Avalanche Slide, the Blizzard mini coaster, and more - in addition to taking photos with Santa!

This year's Magical Forest introduces over a million new lights as part of the new Illumination Experience. This lightshow spectacular includes a synchronized music show with dancing lights to your favorite holiday tunes that can be seen from any vantage point in the park.



The Illumination Experience will run every 30 minutes from the time the Forest opens until close. We hope to see you this holiday season. For more information, please visit MagicalForest.com.



Cheyenne's Magical School Bus Tours AT OPPORTUNITY VILLAGE

The Cheyenne's Magical School Bus Tours program was created in 2008 in loving memory of a remarkable little girl named Cheyenne. She loved visiting the Magical Forest, sharing laughter and hugs with her friends, and connecting with the wonderful people with intellectual disabilities Opportunity Village serves. Opportunity Village is happy to know that Cheyenne will forever watch over the Magical Forest and the very special children who visit.

Cheyenne's Magical School Bus Tours provides a Magical Forest field trip experience for first grade students from Clark County School District's most at-risk Title I schools. Opportunity Village is so excited to host these youngsters once again—thanks to the generosity of donors, sponsors, volunteers, and our community. For more information or to become a sponsor of the program, visit CMSBT.org.





Don't forget to register for the Santa Run and join us on December 1st in downtown Las Vegas! The 14th Annual Las Vegas Great Santa Run will host thousands of Santas at the famed Fremont Street Experience who will run or walk in support of Opportunity Village and the clients we serve. The Las Vegas Great Santa Run has become so celebrated that it has expanded into other cities and even countries across the globe in a friendly competition to tally the most Santas! Race proceeds directly benefit Opportunity Village's clients by funding OV's critical programs & services. Lance Burton - Master Magician, will serve as Grand Marshal for the 2018 event.

Many local entertainers and businesses team up with Opportunity Village to uphold Las Vegas' vibrant, fun culture and run for a good cause. The Las Vegas Great Santa Run is a festive, family-friendly fundraiser that is open for individual or team registration now! Be sure to come out and don your Santa suit to support Opportunity Village while having a jolly good time. For details, please visit LVSantaRun.com and enjoy a \$15 off promo.

The Downtown Las Vegas race will conclude in the Llama Lot, where guests will immediately be greeted with a petting zoo, giant inflatable foosball and countless other entertainment options. Headlining the stage on Dec. 1 will be emerging Las Vegas alt-rockers, SILVERSAGE. There will also be special performances from Aussie Heat, DJ Ultra, Legends in Concert and Tom Jones Clone. Adult beverages, food trucks and community vendor booths will also be spread around the lot. Don't miss your opportunity to listen to live music and party with the largest gathering of Santas in the world!



CLIENT STORIES:

Meet Harry: Mr. Production Anyone who has been around Opportunity Village for a few years knows Harry. He has worked in almost every department, but found his home in retail at the Opportunity Village Thrift Store. It was here that Harry felt the most value and purpose. He has been a truck helper and enjoyed loading and unloading large donations. Harry takes pride in his physical ability to lift heavy objects and he was always available to help customers to their car.

One day, Harry was asked to sort and organize the books and a new era began for both OV and Harry. With a renewed sense of purpose, Harry found enjoyment in processing this product line. With the surge of online book sales, this area is becoming increasingly more valuable. Harry reviews each book, looks for irregularities, and then prices the piece.

He now knows the difference in pricing for hard cover and paperback and is successfully processing almost 400 books per day. We can tell you the exact numbers for each day because Harry tracks his daily progress; he is proud to show off his accomplishments.



FUNDRAISER INITIATIVES



The holidays are just around the corner and that means it's time to start shopping! Support Opportunity Village all season long with Donate Your Change! With Opportunity Village and Donate Your Change, round up every debit or credit purchase to the next dollar and donate the difference. Make a big impact with your spare change all season long.

Visit ov.donateyourchange.com to join!



Skipping the lines and shopping online this year? Visit smile.amazon.com today and choose Opportunity Village as your charity of choice! Every qualified purchase results in a donation to Opportunity Village. With Black Friday and Cyber Monday approaching fast, make sure your Amazon Smile account is good to go!

PRIDE. PURPOSE. AND A PARTY.

Opportunity Village recently launched a fundraising initiative that allows its most ardent supporters to throw an educational party to spread the organization's mission in a low-pressure and fun environment.

At these exciting fundraisers, everything is up to the participant from the date, time, location, refreshment options and fundraising goal. Then, with Opportunity Village's help, the individual will create a guest list before the organization sends out invitations and spreads the word.

At each Pride. Purpose. And a Party., an Opportunity Village representative will make a brief presentation, discussing the not-for-profit's programs and services and explaining the need for expanded community involvement.

For more information, please contact Daryl at spragued@opportunityvillage.org or 702-880-4054.



On October 5th, volunteers from Caesars Entertainment - part of United Way of Southern Nevada's Day of Caring - came out to help for HallO'Veen at the Magical Forest. Each year, United Way promotes service across the state, connecting causes to corporations and community members. This year, OV was honored to host a lovely group from Caesar's Entertainment! Volunteers assist-

ed with Magical Forest venue preparations, setting up treat stations, and put the finishing touches on the abundance of spooky décor. Opening night for HallO'Veen and Vegas Fright Nights would not have been such a tremendous success without the help of Caesar's Entertainment



and United Way of Southern Nevada.

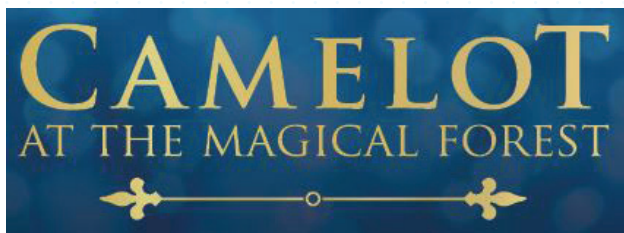
Looking for a new holiday tradition? OV is always looking for dedicated volunteers to help with the Magical Forest—especially on Christmas Eve and New Years Eve. There is no better way to spend time with your loved ones than by giving back to others and helping to support the community we all call home.

Please visit opportunityvillage.org and click on the Volunteer icon to sign up to volunteer for the Magical Forest and enjoy a truly magical way to give back.



COMMUNITY PARTNER SHOUT OUTS

Opportunity Village is so appreciative of the efforts of our many community partners. We'd like to celebrate volunteer groups from the following organizations who dedicated their valuable time to OV and served right in the heart of the OV mission and programs: **Findlay Automotive, the Meadows School, UNLV Upward Bound, Wells Fargo, PR Plus, UFC, Caesar's Entertainment, the Crossings Church, Sands Cares, and Credit One Bank.** Thank you once again!



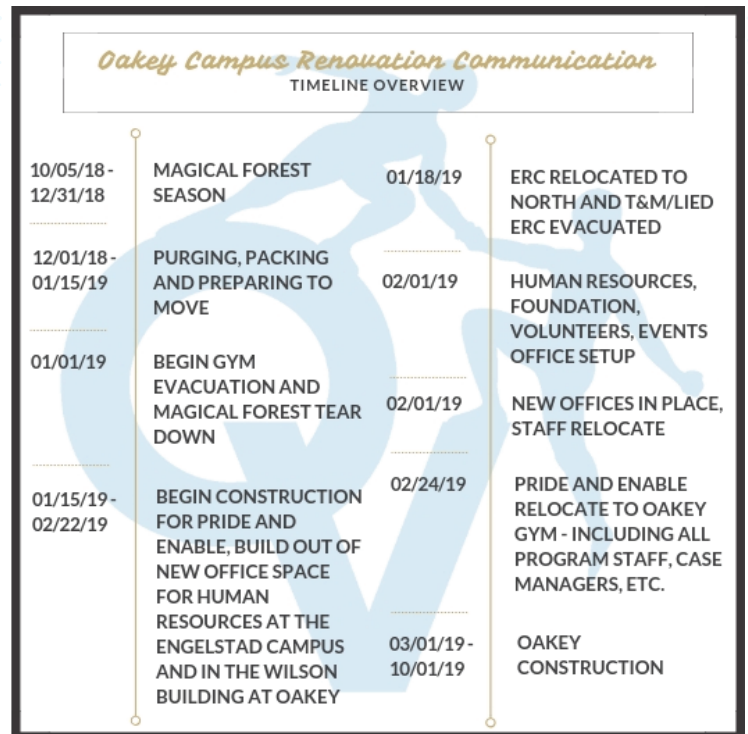
On November 8th, Opportunity Village honored Boyd Gaming Corporation at the 17th annual Camelot at the Magical Forest. The organization's black-tie gala featured beautiful décor by Destinations by Design, food by Chef de cuisine Don Ross, entertainment by Frankie Scinta, Opportunity Village clients and Caesar's Cocktail Cabaret, and an amazing assortment of live and silent auction items donated by several Southern Nevada partners.

A huge thank you to those that came out in support of Opportunity Village's programs and services.



OAKY RENOVATIONS

It's an exciting time for Opportunity Village as the Oakey Campus Expansion is officially underway. Whether you're a client at OV, a staff member, a volunteer, a business partner, board member, or donor – these outlined changes may impact you. As the campus prepares for construction many staff members, clients and volunteers will be relocated. Take a look at the timeline to better understand the process and reach out to oakeyconstruction@opportunityvillage.org or call **(702) 998-9733** with any questions.



MEET CARLOS

Carlos H. is one of the friendly faces of Opportunity Village's PRIDE Program. He's full of wit and charm and always up for a new experience. **Click here to learn more about Carlos and the PRIDE Program at Opportunity Village.**

