Opportunity Village

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About Opportunity Village: Opportunity Village is a nonprofit organization dedicated to serving people with intellectual and developmental disabilities as well as their loved ones. What started as a small education organization for children with intellectual and developmental disabilities, has grown into one of the largest employers of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Nevada. OV founders, Al and Dessie Bailey, were driven to provide resources for their daughter with Down Syndrome and the many children like her across the valley.

History: In December 1954, the Baileys rallied together six other families to open OV's doors to 27 children with intellectual and developmental disabilities, providing them the education that no other organization would or could. Three years later Clark County School District (CCSD) began the integration of children with intellectual disabilities into the public school system.

Today: Opportunity Village serves about 3,000 people with disabilities. OV has grown to employ 700 people and reaches 64 locations throughout the Las Vegas Valley.

Mission: Through workforce development, community employment, day services, fine arts, social recreation, and inclusive housing, the people OV serves are able to find new friends, realize future career paths, seek independence and community integration, and unleash creative passions.

Funding: Opportunity Village thrives with funding from social enterprises, signature events and the generous philanthropy of donors and community partners. Together, we are successfully empowering, employing, and serving people with disabilities – positively impacting lives.



Community Impact: Over the past five years, OV has saved Nevada taxpayers \$127.7 million, with \$16.6 million in the last year alone. The operations and investments made by OV represent a meaningful benefit by substantially reducing the amount needed for the state and local services OV provides to residents with intellectual and developmental disabilities. OV's services help decrease the chances of the people we serve falling into home-lessness and poverty through employment opportunities.

Locations and Events: Opportunity Village operates four employment training center locations and a thrift store in Southern Nevada and hosts some of the most popular special events and fundraisers in Las Vegas, including the Magical Forest, HallOVeen, and the Las Vegas Great Santa Run.

Nursing: With help from a grant from Billy Walters, Opportunity Village's nursing program was created to meet the needs of the people we serve. Nursing staff at Opportunity Village care for PRIDE program participants and make sure everyone has a chance to be served.



