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SUCCESSFUL \$4 MILLION EXPANSION CAMPAIGN MAKES VALLEY COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE'S NORTH HILLS SITE A REALITY

Supervisor Sheila Kuehl to Give Keynote Address at Grand Opening Celebration

North Hills, CA 91343--- Valley Community Healthcare announced that significant funding from local foundations and the corporate community raised \$3,650,000 toward their campaign goal of \$4 million. This ensured the successful completion of the new North Hills Wellness Center less than a year after breaking ground. With the opening of the North Hills Wellness Center, Valley Community Healthcare provides lower income families and those newly-insured under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) with access to a wide-range of primary care services in two convenient neighborhood locations.

The Ralph M. Parsons Foundation's lead gift of \$300,000, was supplemented by substantial donations from the W. M. Keck Foundation (\$250,000), former L.A. County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky (\$221,000) the Weingart Foundation (\$200,000), Kaiser Permanente (\$150,000), the Ahmanson Foundation (\$100,000), the Fanny & Svante Knistrom Foundation (\$75,000), Health Net (\$50,000), and L.A. Care Health Plan (\$50,000). "Thanks to their substantial support and the generosity of community donors, Valley Community Healthcare has built, equipped, and furnished this new 14,000 sq. ft. facility that will become the medical home for West San Fernando Valley residents," stated Paula Wilson, President and CEO. "With the continued assistance of our friends and supporters we are confident that we will be able to raise the last \$350,000 needed to reach our goal."

ABOUT VALLEY COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE

Valley Community Healthcare (formerly Valley Community Clinic) is a non-profit, neighborhood network of community health centers dedicated to enhancing the well-being of the community by providing high quality, culturally sensitive primary medical care and related health services to those in need, regardless of their ability to pay. Since its establishment in 1970, the organization has expanded its medical services and community outreach programs. It became a major HIV/AIDS resource, providing testing and education in the 1980s, and ten years later launched the Teen Pregnancy Prevention Project that brought national recognition as a leader in adolescent services that are now an integral part of its Valley Teen Clinic program.