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May 3, 2011 – InnVision volunteer Chad Bojorquez has received the coveted “Voluntarism At Its Best” award, the top honor, at the Junior League of San Jose’s 42nd Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon (VRL) held on April 29, 2011 at the Santa Clara Convention Center. Chad’s year-long efforts have made a meaningful difference to thousands of individuals and families at the InnVision Georgia Travis Center in San Jose, and he has won the Silver Bowl award because of his amazing commitment.

Chad Bojorquez, a longtime Silicon Valley resident, has volunteered at the InnVision Georgia Travis Center for nearly a year, each week clocking more than 20 hours of service. Every day, despite being confined to a motorized wheelchair with limited use of his limbs, he takes public transportation across the city to volunteer. Working hours on end, Chad makes homeless and at-risk families and individuals feel welcomed and respected. He spends his time checking in clients, critically analyzing their needs, directing other volunteers, and keeping administrative systems organized. He sorts donations, makes phone calls, and checks on capital needs.

Chad is an inspiration and role model for clients, volunteers, and staff at InnVision. Without fail, he serves individuals and families with professionalism and kindness. He makes clients feel a sense of dignity that they often don’t experience due to their circumstances. He prides himself in his service and recognizes the importance of treating each and every person with respect.

Christine Burroughs, CEO of InnVision, is “thrilled that such a deserving volunteer was recognized at the annual luncheon. Chad is an inspiration to everyone around him and we are very grateful for his dedication and service to those most in need in Silicon Valley.” Chad, the only Silver Bowl award winner among more than 65 individuals recognized for their outstanding voluntarism, was awarded JLSJ’s highest honor at VRL.

Each year, over 6,500 volunteers help InnVision serve thousands of homeless and at-risk families and individuals. InnVision offers a continuum of care, allowing clients to stabilize and then begin their journey on the path to self-sufficiency. Without the enthusiastic support of individuals, groups, and corporate volunteers, InnVision could not serve more than 1,400 people daily.

InnVision is Silicon Valley’s leading provider of housing and services for homeless families and individuals. They serve more than 27,000 clients at 25 locations throughout Silicon Valley. Over the past 38 years, InnVision has developed housing and resources to help the homeless and severely at-risk become stable and self-sufficient. Homeless men, women, children, veterans and those diagnosed with mental illness are able to choose from a full range of housing and services that includes shelters, supportive transitional and permanent housing and multiservice day centers—all successfully tailored to support and accommodate the needs of the most vulnerable in Silicon Valley. To learn more about InnVision, to volunteer, or make a donation, please visit www.InnVision.org or call (408) 292-4286.

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