



Goodness Village Press Release
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Sad Loss in the Goodness Village Family

This past Monday 12/5/22, Goodness Village held its first Celebration of Life Service for one of the Village neighbors. “We are deeply saddened by the loss of this sweet woman from our community. At the same time, we are also filled with joy to know that after 25 years of homelessness, she was able to live out her last few months in a community that cared for her and was surrounded by friends who loved her,” says Goodness Village Executive Director Kim Curtis. The Director of Support Services Alysia Michaud says she will forever remember how the neighbor would announce to the staff each morning “Leaving for the day, love you guys.”

The Goodness Village neighbor reportedly experienced a cardiac arrest after sharing a meal with her best friend in a warm and dry tiny home on 11/28. Village staff members initiated life saving efforts and paramedics were able to revive her. After 24 hours in the ICU, she passed away peacefully. “Her impact in the Village will always be remembered, as her legacy has been imprinted in this community forever.” says Executive Director Curtis.

Those in attendance of this Celebration of Life were Goodness Village staff, volunteers, neighbors, families and friends, and community leaders from CityServe of the Tri-Valley, Monthly Miracles, CrossWinds Church, Asbury Church Street Outreach, and Tri-Valley Seek and Save. While residing at Goodness Village, the neighbor had the opportunity to reconnect with her daughter. While her daughter resides out of state and was unable to attend the service, a recording was made and will be sent to her.

