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VISIONS to Celebrate 85 Years of Service at Rockland County Site

Saluting 85 years of comprehensive services for blind people of all ages and their families, VISIONS/Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired will host over 300 blind and sighted guests, Lions Club members and public officials. The event will take place at VISIONS Center on Blindness (VCB). VCB is a vision rehabilitation and training center with 20 miles of guide rails and adapted programs for individuals who are blind or visually impaired.

The anniversary celebration will take place on Sunday, August 7, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., at VCB, 111 Summit Park Road, Village of New Hempstead, NY. The festivities are open to the public and all are welcomed, blind and sighted.

The 85th anniversary party will include a carnival, live jazz and other entertainment, a barbecue lunch and an awards ceremony to honor individuals who have made special contributions to VISIONS and VCB.

VCB has been located in the Village of New Hempstead in Rockland County, NY on the 35 acre campus since 1951. Over 20% of VCB's participants reside in Rockland and Westchester Counties with 80% residing in Orange County and others counties of New York State, including New York City.

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The fully adapted facility offers a full range of training activities and social networking for blind children, youth, adults and seniors, including those with multiple disabilities, together with parents, spouses and siblings. The training center features a ramped heated swimming pool equipped for access by wheelchairs, an adaptive technology center, and athletic fields. Each year nearly 600 primarily low income participants receive free services at VCB.

For information on the 85th Celebration, directions and other inquiries about VISIONS and VCB programs, contact Betsy Fabricant at 888-245-8333 ext. 124 or by email bfabricant@visionsvcb.org.

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