

What an amazing year GOALS experienced in '25. We shifted into a true "hybrid" mode with our ambitious "**GOALS For Valcrest**" initiative up in the **Angeles National Forest**. With over 20 major youth expeditions involving hundreds of children, mixed with periodic substantial service efforts geared at further restoration of the historic **Camp Valcrest**, those combined efforts alone were a great deal to cheer about. Among many other highlights was that this marked our 30th year of welcoming hundreds of local children to the sport of hockey—with their greatest fun taking place while skating and competing in ice hockey activities at the **Frank Gehry** designed twin rink facility in downtown Anaheim. The great Gehry passed away late in '25 but one of his many legacies was to design that rink knowing that GOALS would be opening the doors with a "turnkey" free program open to underserved youth for decades to come. Then Disney CEO **Michael Eisner** and his top aides envisioned that this unique facility would embrace far more than just pro hockey training and pay to play profit making. It would also enable our program to organize and improve thousands of lives involving low income youngsters through this newfound sport in Orange County. We are proud to have lived up to that dream and much more.



GOALS also opened our arms to enthusiastically welcome the arrival of our latest neighbor next door. The highly regarded **Magnolia Public Schools** charter system's first elementary school called the **Magnolia Science Academy**. We've already teamed up to host an initial summer camp and diverse day-time "Learn To Play Sports". Expect that hundreds of local children will grow healthier, achieve academically, and emerge more social as a result of these expansive partnership opportunities.

Our long standing community efforts across the greater Anaheim regions—in the **ABC community** with our "**A Better Community**" clubhouse and many programs, in the Placentia/Anaheim border area with the **GOALS For Valadez** major afterschool program, across multiple other schools nearby with our **Learn To Play Hockey** efforts, and over to the highly impacted community of **Oak View** in Huntington Beach, with our **GOALS For Oak View** program, we sustained high levels of enrichment, combining field trips, daily team sports, literacy and other afterschool education support along with other motivational and mentoring encouragement too. Our compassionate engagement with our best buddies within the differently abled community continued too, featuring our **GOALS Everybody Counts** support with therapeutic art, gardening, and healthy activities all continued to be hosted free for so many all year long.



We were inspired by the **City of Anaheim's efforts** that improved major areas just north of La Palma Park and have set forth to upgrade ALL of our major facilities at our sprawling "**GOALSLand**" **complex** here in north central Anaheim. This will continue throughout this year well into next so that many more regional youth will be able to have free access and coaching opportunities for many decades to come. Our dreams seem to just keep growing and we sure hope to see you along the way!

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During '25 GOALS hockey was very much still alive! Hundreds of community children took to the ice under the coaching expertise of head coach Luis Castro—himself a highly talented GOALS alumnus. From school-yard clinics to indoor skills and skating at our GOALSland facilities then on the ice at the fabled Anaheim ICE (D-ICE) arena, GOALS hockey continues to thrive. All equipment, uniforms, coaching, refereeing, and most importantly bus transportation from various communities in the region to our facilities continues to be FREE, a unique hallmark of GOALS' commitment to removing all barriers to this costly but amazing sport!



GOALS For Valcrest Restoration & Service Efforts During 2025

- ♦ Secured agreement and permit to proceed with US Forest Service approved water connection to serve the camp (after 25 years of being “dry”)
- ♦ Completed restoration of the lower level of the camp lodge which now features an arcade area and working kitchen.
- ♦ Major restoration on the 2nd largest structure at the camp—the old pool house. Conversion to an environmental service and youth play zone. Rear patio finished. All siding and roofing repaired. Repaired and improved the camp Shop—in anticipation of elevated service and workforce development program use.
- Partnering with City of LA Recreation & Parks plus CalTrans to fill in the long abandoned pool space, cap with concrete and convert to a water park and rink activity zone. In progress, completion spring of '26.
- Basketball court area completed with rebuild of retaining walls and new backboard area.,
- Winterization with 10 year staining completed on bridges, amphitheater and select retaining walls.



Major GOALS

- ♦ Restore the long shuttered, historic camp. Structures & infrastructure.
- ♦ Dedicate the camp use for wilderness experiences for underserved youth.
- ♦ Organize periodic GOALS service missions to sustain the camp facilities & offer support to boost various high forest needs nearby (such as the Chilao Visitor Center and reforestation efforts).
- ♦ Engage GOALS as a catalyst to attract other environmental and wilderness advocates & resources for the good of the Camp & the Angeles National Forest.



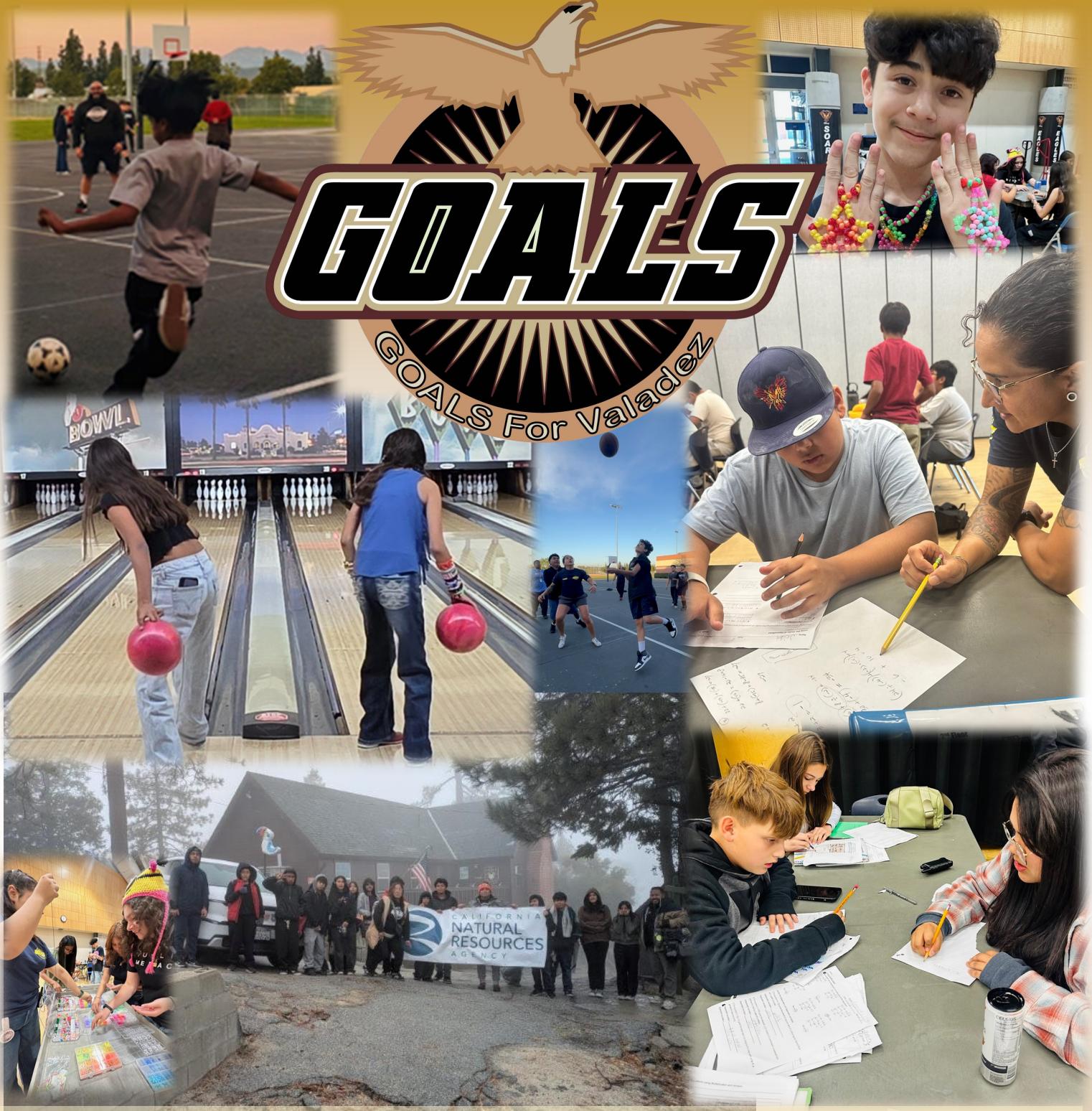
Camp Valcrest is on its way to becoming a sort of "crown jewel" among many other jewels within the overall GOALS organization. As the centerpiece of the larger "GOALS For Valcrest" initiative, this historic camp has been almost fully restored by GOALS during the past several years. More remains to be done but while those efforts continue, GOALS has led dozens of expeditions and thrilled hundreds of youngsters with amazing experiences up in the glorious wilderness that beckons in the Angeles National Forest.



The restoration of the GOALS Tennis Center located within the venerable GOALS Dreamscape Athletic complex, was joyfully completed by the summer of '25 with an enormous boost from the US Tennis Association (USTA). The courts were originally built as part of a major endeavor led by the McCarthy Company back in 2010 which led to the transformation of a large vacant lot just north of the GOALS HQ in Anaheim, into a multi-purpose activity center. Almost immediately tennis clinics, games and many new plans for tennis programs sprung up as led by GOALS for community children. Much more is in the works for the upcoming year as discussion with the Southern CA Tennis Association have commenced about development of an NJTL sanctioned chapter at GOALS as well. This is expected to take flight by spring of 2026!



ABC was and is one of the most creative and ambitious efforts of GOALS dating back to 2018 with the restoration of a central “common area” within one of Anaheim’s most beleaguered communities. GOALS “rebranded” this area which had developed a notorious and stigmatized reputation for it’s gang , drug, homeless and general anti-social problems. We took the “ABC” shorthand for the local streets named Alameda, Brownwood, and Cataline—and vowed to make this an example of A BETTER COMMUNITY. That has happened and made a world of difference and possibilities for hundreds of children who experience adventure, joy, and awareness that A BETTER WORLD is truly out there for them too! Trips to beaches, our mountain camp, sports fun at GOALSLand, and community service from caring City of Anaheim volunteers during “The Big Give” of ‘25 all added up to another phenomenal year in this remarkable example of community progress. GOALS has set an extraordinary example of what *is* possible in distressed areas by applying and sustaining initiative, imagination, and caring. Some new resources in ‘26 would be nice to find as well!



GOALS for Valadez is a daily—5 days per week, major afterschool program which throughout the school year involves some 150 middle school youth—all free of charge of course, in a refreshing, creative, and healthy range of arts, sports, educational support and social support. GOALS alumni have been the role models and program leaders for many years at this site and are a tremendous inspiration to what collectively has been over 2,000 participants along. Grace Cardona—our site director, and Elias Barrios her #2 leader, grew up in GOALS in the early stages of our program from communities that mirror the high need zones surrounding the Valadez Middle School which is operated by the Placentia Yorba Linda School District. Notably the school has a large percentage of Anaheim youngsters who benefit from bi-weekly field trips on GOALS buses to ice hockey at Anaheim ICE, bowling at the Anaheim Concourse, and special excursions to regional sites. One of those most popular “adventures” features select holiday and summer trips to the GOALS Camp Valcrest wilderness location in the Angeles National Forest.



2025 UPDATES

GOALS for Oak View



At GOALS for Oak View, students practice teamwork every day through games, activities, and group challenges that encourage them to work toward a shared goal. Along the way, coaches help guide students as they learn that everyone brings different strengths, abilities, and learning styles to the team.

By learning how to collaborate, support one another, and use everyone's strengths to succeed together, our students are building valuable life skills—and growing into the future leaders of tomorrow.

Teamwork Makes the Dream Work



Nature Called ... & We Answered

Camp has been all the buzz at Oak View! For many years, Oak View students have had the incredible opportunity—thanks to the generous support of the Eisner Foundation—to attend Camp Keewaydin and Songadeewin in Vermont. In 2025, 14 Oak View youth participated, and we're excited to continue the tradition in 2026 by sending a new cohort of both first-time and returning Vermont campers.



Closer to home, GOALS has opened its doors to the beautifully restored Camp Valcrest, giving more Oak View youth a front-row seat to nature. From snow-dusted trees and fox sightings to classic camp-style activities, students are wide-eyed and loving every moment. Camp Valcrest has provided over 80 Oak View community youth the chance to enjoy camp-like adventures during summer, winter, and spring breaks—offering a fun, active alternative to staying indoors.

Combined with trips to local state and city parks, these experiences allow students to unplug, explore, and enjoy life beyond their neighborhood bubble.





As an innovative charter school organization the Magnolia Public School organization is better known across LA County than down in Orange County, let alone in Anaheim. But that all changed in the Spring of '25 when their CEO visited GOALS and committed to opening their first elementary charter school next door to our program. One of their motivating reasons, was the proximity to our wealth of experience in organizing healthy athletic activities for youngsters. As an athlete who believes strongly in keeping children active, Alfredo Rubelcava's faith was quickly rewarded with a small summer sports-oriented cGOALS camp in the early stages of what became a torrent of new school enrollment. By fall GOALS was hosting two mornings of "Learn to Play" sports with every grade at the school—giving Tk, K, 1,2, 3,4, 5, & 6th graders much needed thrills and exposure to skill development in soccer, tennis, ringette hockey and general fitness. GOALS has been thrilled and impressed with the extraordinary professionalism and positive attitude brought by this fantastic new addition to the greater Anaheim community and educational needs of the area. We welcome this wonderful partnership, and expect it to grow in many dimensions over the years ahead!



One of the most awe inspiring aspects of GOALS is to be in a position to welcome regular visits from one of our GREAT neighboring not for profit friends "MY DAY COUNTS". This long-standing entity provides a safe harbor for extraordinarily "differently abled" superstars. GOALS facilities become their creative zone for hours every week as we are all cheered by the spirit, talent, and essential goodness of these incredible contributors to our community!



Stay tuned about the progress in development for one of the most anticipated dreams of GOALS. Namely, the creation of a "Learn To Play" indoor athletic arena anchored by a seasonal ice hockey rink. The legacy of GOALS hockey will be assured for the next generation of GOALS youngsters who would otherwise never be able to afford access to this incredible sport. GOALS has involved an estimated 30,000 deserving youth since our inception in 1994 and all activities remain free of charge to this day.



75 miles from the GOALS "campus" in Anaheim is the remarkable "GOALS For Valcrest" project. At 6,000 feet elevation in the Angeles National Forest, this is quite literally a world away for urban children and an emerging major focus of our GOALS efforts. More than 250 youth enjoyed wilderness expeditions here this past year and as we seek to complete restoration, other new service goals await. So does an entertaining and enlightening folklore "tail" being penned by our GOALS Executive Director

Dave Wilk.

