



Agency Spotlight: Fox Valley Hands of Hope

The mission of Fox Valley Hands of Hope is to enhance the quality of life and to provide HOPE for those experiencing grief or life-threatening illness. Our professional staff and trained volunteers are community-funded, allowing us to provide the best in compassionate care, free of charge. Our programs are designed to provide support for adults, children, and families, regardless of age, income level, race, or religious beliefs. We believe that every person in need should be given hope.

Fox Valley Hands of Hope has been lucky to have the support of the INC Board and build a meaningful, community-centric relationship. Some of the Fox Valley Hands of Hope programs the INC Board has supported are; Adult, Youth Bereavement. These two programs are the pillars of our organization and the INC Board's support has been instrumental to the success and continuation of each one. Cuenta Conmigo (Lean on Me), also funded in part by INC, serves the Spanish-speaking population.

One in five children will experience the death loss of someone close to them by the age of 18, while three out of every five adults are grieving the death loss of a significant person. Fox Valley Hands of Hope's Cuenta Conmigo, Youth Bereavement and Adult Bereavement programs work to care for children and adults impacted by these significant losses through a multitude of group and one-on-one support programs in a caring and compassionate environment.

New Executive Director Announced

At their January 2019 INC Board meeting, the Board of Directors appointed Dalila Alegria as the organization's new Executive Director effective April 1, 2019. Dalila has been with INC since 2016 as Operations Manager, and has coordinated a number of significant operational, financial, and technological enhancements across the organization. She is eager to serve the community in this new capacity. Jerry will assist with this leadership transition over the next few months, and will continue in a part-time consultative role for the remainder of FY2019.



2019-2020 Funders' Consortium Application is Now Available

The funding consortium of INC Board, NFP and Fox Valley United Way has their application available to currently funded agencies.

All applications that meet the criteria of the respective funder will be considered. You should have received an email from either funder with further instructions to apply. Please contact us directly with further questions.

Operations Manager Position

With the appointment of the new executive director, the position for INC Board's Operations Manager is open for applicants to send in their resumes. Please [click here](#) to read the full job description. If interested, send your resume to: Dalila Alegria

INC Board, NFP
PO Box 935
Aurora, IL 60507
Dalila@incboard.org.

2019 Lyle E. Oncken Community Service Award Nomination Form

The Board of Directors of INC Board, NFP is seeking nominations for this year's Lyle E. Oncken Community Services Award.

This award was created by the Board in 1990 in honor of its retired executive director to recognize individuals or organizations of Aurora, Batavia, Big Rock, Blackberry, Kaneville, Sugar Grove or Virgil Townships who have made outstanding contributions in support of services to persons with mental illness, developmental disabilities or substance abuse disorders within our area.

If you would like to nominate an individual or organization, please complete the [nomination form](#) and return it no later than **March 8th** either by mail or email to:

Eileen Maryanski
INC Board, NFP, PO Box 935, Aurora, IL 60507
email: eileen@incboard.org

A Layperson's Guide to Mental Illness Presentation Available

If you are interested in scheduling a presentation either in English or Spanish, please contact the INC Board, NFP at 630-892-5456 or by email inc@incboard.org. [Click here](#) for the flyer and additional information.