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## **HOSPICE OF THE VALLEY RECEIVES 2:1 CHALLENGE SOBRATO FAMILY FOUNDATION GRANT**

*Grant will provide general operating support to strengthen and sustain the organization's capacity and new funds will provide end-of-life care to underserved adults and children facing life-limiting illnesses*

**San Jose CA. – April 19, 2007**—Hospice of the Valley (HOV), the first community-based hospice and leading provider and educator of end-of-life and bereavement care in Santa Clara County, received a 2:1 challenge matching grant from the Sobrato Family Foundation totaling up to \$153,750 over a two-year period. The Sobrato Family Foundation's unrestricted funds will be used to support general operations and new funds raised will provide end-of-life care to underserved adults and children facing life-limiting illnesses. Hospice of the Valley has received the first installment of \$75,000 and must now raise \$75,000 in new matching funds to qualify for the second year grant award of \$78,750, which includes a 5% increase for inflation costs. There is no matching requirement during the second year of the grant term.

“The Sobrato Family Foundation's grant will help sustain our recent growth and allow us to continue to deliver the high quality care for which we are known in Santa Clara County,” said Sally Adelus, executive director of Hospice of the Valley. “It's a privilege to provide end-of-life care to individuals and their families during one of the most vulnerable times in their lives.”

“We are optimistic that the Sobrato Family Foundation grant challenge will inspire and bring new donors to support the extraordinary programs that Hospice of the Valley provides to those who are at the close of their lives and their surviving family members,” said Lynn Ubhaus, Hospice of the Valley Board President. “We live in a generous and giving community.”

To help Hospice of the Valley meet the Sobrato Challenge, please send your generous gift today to Hospice of the Valley, 4850 Union Avenue, San Jose CA 95124. Please indicate on your check that it is for the ‘Sobrato Challenge’. Credit cards accepted; please call Hospice of the Valley at 408.559.5600.

### **About Hospice of the Valley**

Hospice of the Valley (HOV), the first community-based hospice in Santa Clara County, has provided compassionate end-of-life care and bereavement support to over 23,000 people since 1979. Affirming life and embracing comfort, dignity, and quality of life, HOV provides patients and families an interdisciplinary team approach to end-of-life care, which includes medical, social, psychological, spiritual, volunteer, and bereavement support. HOV's Community Grief Center provides individual and group grief support and is available to anyone experiencing a loss. A Children's Grief Counseling program specializes in age-appropriate counseling for children and teenagers from ages 4 through 18. *Transitions*, a volunteer-based community service program designed to enhance the quality of life for individuals and their families facing life-limiting illness, provides clients with emotional support, education, and practical assistance, is sponsored by Hospice of the Valley and funded by community grants and donations. HOV is a member of the California Hospice and Palliative Care Association and the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization and is a United Way agency. Call Hospice of the Valley at 408.559.5600 and, for *Transitions*, call 408.559.5610 or visit [www.hospicevalley.org](http://www.hospicevalley.org).

### **About the Sobrato Family Foundation**

Headquartered in California's Silicon Valley, three generations of the Sobrato family created the Sobrato Family Foundation in 1996. The Sobrato Family Foundation is now managed by two professional staff and governed by a seven-member Board of Trustees. Its mission is dedicated to helping create and sustain a vibrant and healthy community where all Silicon Valley residents have equal opportunity to live, work and be enriched. For additional information on the Sobrato Family Foundation, visit [www.sobrato.org](http://www.sobrato.org).