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2017 Chino Hills Community Heroes Honored

Chino Hills, CA – Chino Hills Community Hero Bill Taylor and Youth Community Hero Alexis Anderson will be honored at a reception and parade on Chino Hills Day at the Fair at the LA County Fair on Friday, September 22nd.

Bill Taylor, a resident of Chino Hills since 2001, was honored as a 2017 Community Hero for his selfless service and passion for the community in a number of roles. He has served as a past president of the Chino Hills Kiwanis Club. He is a former chairman and current member of the City of Chino Hills Parks and Recreation Commission, and he continues to serve on the Chino Hills Community Foundation and the City of Chino Hills Healthy Hills Committee. He is an active member of Inland Hills Church.

But the role Bill is best known for is coordinator of the Kiwanis Club's Chino Hills Boat Parade, a position he's held for eight years for an event that is popular with the community during the holidays. Bill collaborates with the Chino Hills Police and the City of Chino Hills Community Services Department to organize the annual event, and he has expanded the eclectic parade's diversity, participation, and popularity. Because of his efforts, Bill was named Volunteer of the Quarter, by the City of Chino Hills, in 2015.

Bill has a heart for the youth of Chino Hills and has served as a liaison and mentor to the Key Club members of Ayala and Chino Hills High Schools. He leads the Kiwanis Club "Interview a Veteran" project, in which he matches local military veterans with youth to educate them and forge relationships in recognition of Veterans Day. He has also served as a soccer coach for AYSO in Chino Hills.

Alexis "Lexi" Anderson was named the Youth Community Hero for her ability to face adversity with grace and humility while still inspiring others. Lexi became severely ill in February with a critical heart condition and was hospitalized for a month. She discovered she needed a heart transplant immediately, and on March 6th, she received one. Months of

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recovery followed, including medical and physical therapies. Even as her recovery continues, Lexi returned to Chino Hills High School in August and is active in leadership and ASB. She is a member of Calvary Chapel Diamond Bar Youth Ministries and volunteers for church and community events. When she is feeling stronger, she is determined to give back to the Let It Be Foundation, a Chino Hills group that assists families (including hers) caring for sick children.

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