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Martha's Village and Kitchen to Celebrate Pre-School Graduation Ceremony for Child Development Center

Indio, Ca---Martha's Village and Kitchen will host a ceremony for 9 pre-school graduates who will be moving from our facilities Child Development Center into their Kindergarten classes throughout the Valley. The graduation will be held on Friday, June 16, 2017 at 10:00am.

In this graduating class, Martha's will celebrate Ryan De Anda who has been a member of the Child Development Center since he was 2 ½ months old. Ryan has moved through each one of the classrooms and has learned so much over the years. Ryan's favorite part of coming to the Children's Center is that he gets to play Legos with his friends.

Ryan is excited about his graduation this week and moving on to Kindergarten. When asked what he wants to be when he grows up, Ryan said, "I want to be a Dentist."



*Ryan De Anda, Pre-School Graduate from Martha's Village and Kitchen
Child Development Center*

The Child Development Center at Martha's Village and Kitchen offers high-quality care for children ages zero through five years-old. The center also manages pre-school classrooms that are fully licensed in the State of California. The department, funded by First 5 Riverside, allows Martha's to offer childcare and child education free of cost to 55 children each day for families in crisis. The program contains children of families living at Martha's, children who are living in shelters, homeless or transitioning out of homeless shelters, children of teen moms and grandparents raising children.

About Martha's Village and Kitchen

Martha's Village and Kitchen is one of the largest providers of homeless services in the Coachella Valley and Riverside County. The founders began serving meals to their homeless neighbors in 1990, and now serves over a quarter of a million meals each year. Martha's Village and Kitchen offers programs based on the nationally recognized "continuum of care model". Their programs include Residential Transitional Housing, Food Services, Children's Services, Career and Education, Healthcare, Case Management and Emergency Assistance. The organization prides itself on serving their neighbors by responding to their needs with food, clothing, shelter and an opportunity to become self-sufficient by affirming their dignity with respect, support and compassion.