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## Valley Leadership Receives Community Partnership Award

**July 20, 2015 (Phoenix, AZ)** – On Saturday, July 11, Valley Leadership received the Asian Corporate and Entrepreneurship Leader's (ACEL) Community Partner Award. The award was presented at ACEL's inaugural Leadership Conference.

The award recognizes organizations and individuals who have been exceptionally engaged with ACEL, as well as embrace the general leadership focus of the program, community engagement, diversity, and are consistent with the culture of ACEL.

Valley Leadership was chosen because of its ongoing relationship with ACEL. ACEL Chairman, Jason Wong, is a Leadership Institute alum from Class 33. In addition, four other ACEL members have also graduated from our flagship program: Dr. Tony Lee (Class 34), Steve Yamamori (Class 32), Judge Roxanne Song Ong (Class 15) and Khonnie Silivongxay (Class 36). Tara Fong, Akari Hashimoto, Sabrina Kwak, Paulyn Kwak, Fefe Wong and Viona Wong, youth participants of ACEL, also graduated from VL's Youth Leadership in Philanthropy program. Valley Leadership's President & CEO Christy Moore, who spoke at the leadership conference, has served as a mentor in ACEL's mentorship program.

"We are honored to receive this Award. Our continued partnership with ACEL is important to ensure a strong pipeline of leaders who are well-informed, connected and inspired to do more and be more for Arizona." Moore said.

ACEL is a non-profit organization providing Asian American professionals across the Phoenix metropolitan area opportunities to work together to enhance Asian American leadership in careers, communities, and the local government.

### **ABOUT VALLEY LEADERSHIP**

*As the Valley's premier leadership organization, Valley Leadership boasts a proven and long-standing track record of making deep impacts on the community.*

*Our roots date back to the late 1970s when a group of Valley visionaries recognized the need to identify and develop the next generation of leadership. Our founders imagined an annual succession of educated change agents dedicated to the best possible future for our region.*

*Almost 40 years later, this vision has produced nearly 2,000 alumni. Through high quality education, unprecedented access and an innovative network, Valley Leadership goes beyond traditional leadership programs by empowering already proven leaders to advance their passions and accelerate their pursuits.*