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## **\$3 MILLION GOLISANO FOUNDATION GIFT HELPS TRANSFORM AL SIGL'S ELMWOOD CAMPUS**

[November 25, 2015 – Rochester, NY] This Thanksgiving, Al Sigl Community of Agencies announced a \$3 million gift from B. Thomas Golisano and the Golisano Foundation. The gift is the largest gift Al Sigl Community has ever received from a living donor.

Al Sigl Community of Agencies is a collaborative community network of independent nonprofits serving over 55,000 children and adults with disabilities® and special needs across the region. Golisano's \$3 million commitment will fund important improvements to Al Sigl's campus on Elmwood Avenue, helping Al Sigl continue to provide first-class spaces adapted to meet the unique needs of each of its Member Agencies and the people and families they serve.

"It brings me great pleasure to commit \$3 million to the Al Sigl *Celebrating Abilities Campaign*, which signals an exciting new era in service delivery for people with disabilities," Mr. Golisano said. "I'm particularly impressed with the openness of the proposed facility renovation and the spirit of inclusion that will benefit generations. Al Sigl's commitment to collaborate with a variety of local service providers to better coordinate and enhance program offerings is right on the mark," he continued. "I am pleased to provide financial support for this extraordinary project, which will have an immediate, positive impact on people with developmental disabilities and their families."

"Tom Golisano has done more for Al Sigl than anyone dared dream at our founding 53 years ago," said Dan Meyers, President. "His mark on our work together transforms our collaboration for even greater inclusion and abilities."

The commitment from the Golisano Foundation is part of the *Celebrating Abilities Campaign*, a multi-year capital campaign that seeks to raise funds for capital investments and endowment. To date, the campaign has raised \$21.2 million on a goal of \$26.8 million.

Bob and Sarah Hurlbut, Campaign Chairs, are deeply touched by Tom Golisano's generosity. "We know that Tom's gift will improve the daily lives for so many good people in our community," said Bob Hurlbut. "Tom's passionate and visionary leadership also brings our *Celebrating Abilities Campaign* goal closer to reality. Our campaign's success will transform the Al Sigl Community and our major campuses. It will position Al Sigl and our Member Agencies to meet the challenges of tomorrow as we strive for a world of full inclusion for people of all abilities. We truly can't thank Tom enough."

The campaign has surpassed its original goal for endowment gifts. The balance of campaign funds to be raised will go toward a \$15 million capital improvement plan, which will renovate and expand existing facilities for new services, invest in infrastructure and adaptive technologies, and provide program equipment and vehicles.

By providing facilities, infrastructure, and support services, the Al Sigl Community of Agencies empowers its six Member Agencies—CP Rochester, Epilepsy-Pralid, Medical Motor Service, National MS Society Upstate New York Chapter, Rochester Hearing and Speech Center, and Rochester Rehabilitation—to focus their energies on what matters most: serving people with disabilities® and special needs.

The Al Sigl Community expects to achieve its goal for the Celebrating Abilities Campaign in 2016. To learn how you can become involved and continue the good momentum inspired by the Golisano Foundation's extraordinary gift, please visit **[www.alsigl.org](http://www.alsigl.org)**.



Al Sigl Community of Agencies is a collaborative community network that provides high-quality, cost-effective real estate and business services, while fostering community awareness and philanthropic support, to a growing array of nonprofit organizations that serve children and adults with disabilities® and special needs.