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Boys & Girls Club 2017 Award Recipient of the Mildred A. Davey Award from the Valley United Way

Shelton, CT, May 1, 2017 – The Boys & Girls Club of the Lower Naugatuck Valley were the recipients of this year's Mildred A. Davey Community Agency of the Year Award at the Valley United Way 49th Annual Meeting and Volunteer Celebration on April 25, 2017.

The award is named in honor of Mildred Davey a lifelong Shelton resident who was a very active leader in the community including her strong involvement with the Valley's nonprofit community.

Mildred Mooney Davey was born on April 4, 1933 in Derby, the only child of John Oates Mooney, and Mildred Gillis Mooney, both Valley natives. She was a lifelong resident of Shelton, as was her husband, Stephen A. Davey, who died shortly after their marriage in 1962.

A graduate of St. Joseph Grammar School and Lauralton Hall, Mildred received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Smith College in 1954. She enjoyed a distinguished career in human resource management, serving as Director, Personnel at Blue Cross and Blue Shield Connecticut for more than twenty-five years. In 1981 she joined the Hewitt organization in Shelton, at that time one of the largest nonprofit employers in the Valley, as Vice President, Human Resources, and in 1985 became President of the Hewitt Management Corporation, a position she held until her retirement in 1998. She was a past President of the New Haven Personnel Association and former member of the Executive Committee of the Connecticut Personnel Association.

Mildred was actively involved in the community, a former Director and member of the Executive Committee of the Valley United Way, and President of the Friend A. Russ Fund, Incorporated. Through both her professional and volunteer activities, Mildred developed a keen understanding of the myriad challenges faced by nonprofit organizations, and many agencies benefited from her managerial expertise, good humor, and generosity. She was a recipient of the Claven Award, the highest distinction given by Lauralton Hall in recognition of outstanding example, service and achievement.





When Mildred died in 2014, she left a number of bequests to Valley nonprofit organizations, both in support of their missions and in celebration of her deep Valley roots. Valley United Way was honored and pleased to be one of the organizations to benefit.



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