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ACLD Foundation Announces Over \$302,000 Raised from Annual Enviaible Life Ball Supporting ACLD Programs Benefiting Adults and Children with Autism, Learning and Other Developmental Disabilities

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Carl Grady of Enterprise Fleet Management Honored During Event*

GARDEN CITY, NY/BETHPAGE, NY; NOVEMBER xx, 2019 – Since recently hosting its annual Enviaible Life Ball, ACLD Foundation has announced a milestone achievement – raising \$302,000 for ACLD (Adults and Children with Learning and Developmental Disabilities, Inc.), the non-profit agency headquartered in Bethpage that is devoted to providing opportunities for children and adults with autism, learning and other developmental disabilities to pursue enviable lives, promote independence and foster supportive relationships within the community. A record-setting 325 people attended ACLD's largest event of the year.

New York State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli and Carl Grady, Director NY Group at Enterprise Fleet Management, were both honored at the event, which was held at The Garden City Hotel in Garden City, NY.

Comptroller DiNapoli received the 2019 Humanitarian Award for his unwavering support of ACLD and his advocacy for the highest standards in special education. Presented by Oyster Bay Town Supervisor and long-time friend Joseph S. Saladino, he spoke highly of DiNapoli's long tenure serving the people of New York State. His remarks brought home the message of a man who has dedicated his entire adult life to public service and serves as model for fellow elected officials to follow.

Grady was presented with the 2019 Corporate Leadership Award for his efforts in supporting people with special needs. As ACLD Foundation Board of Directors President Alan Spiegel, C.P.A., Esq. stated while introducing Grady, "Carl is the person ACLD has turned to over and over again, ensuring the people we support are safe in their daily travels. Day in and day out, his fleet of vans safely transport our people to ACLD programs. This is a significant responsibility that is fully embraced by Carl and his team."

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NBC4 New York traffic reporter Lauren Scala served as the Enviaible Life Ball's Emcee for the fifth consecutive year and guests were entertained with live music performed by Skyline Orchestra's Rhapsody.

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- Community Partnership Sponsor: Delta Air Lines, Inc.

About Adults and Children with Learning and Developmental Disabilities, Inc. (ACLD):

Founded in 1957, ACLD is a 501(c)(3), not-for-profit agency whose mission is to provide opportunities to more than 3,000 children and adults with autism, learning and developmental disabilities to pursue enviable lives, promote independence and foster supportive relationships within the community. ACLD employs more than 1,300 people and operates 90 different program sites, including community residences and apartment programs across Nassau and Suffolk Counties. Among its services are early childhood, day habilitation, residential alternatives, vocational training and job placement, recreation programs, respite, family support, and occupational, speech and physical therapies. For more information, visit www.aclد.org.

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