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PHILADELPHIA – Jay Spector has spent the last 42 years helping to make hope happen for hundreds of thousands in the Delaware Valley. Recently, the community came out to thank him and wish him well in his retirement as CEO of JEVS Human Services.

During his career, Spector pioneered programs for those looking to change their lives, gain independence and set a positive future for themselves, whether through education, a career, the ability for those with disabilities to live independently in the community and so much more.

JEVS Human Services enhances the employability, independence, and quality of life of individuals through a broad range of programs. Consistent with core principles and entrepreneurial spirit, JEVS creates innovative and sustainable solutions to address current and future community needs.

These innovative solutions include programs for lower-income youths, justice-involved diversion programs, inventive programs to aid and encourage success in the workforce, and programs to assist those with disabilities in entering the workforce and maintaining independence.

The success of alternative education models and the importance of employment for all highlights each of Spector's 42 years, with a focus, most recently being placed on young adults and working towards productive futures. Partnership with public, private, and philanthropic organizations, as well as hundreds of various employers, only further contributes to the sustained success of JEVS' humanitarian mission. Jay's fervent and innovative approach made it possible for JEVS to serve over 25,000 people each year.

Proceeds from the evening will support The Jay Spector Fund for Innovation. In establishing the Jay Spector Fund for Innovation, JEVS is creating a powerful tool to nurture fresh thinking and move the organization forward through investment in program development, facilities, and equipment to support new offerings or planning and evaluation.

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