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The Orange County Business Journal is pleased to present our 19th annual OC Philanthropy Special Report. Inside, you will find numerous nonprofit organizations and companies who strive every day to make an impact in Orange County and beyond.

OC Philanthropy features trends in giving, news within the nonprofit community, as well as a Corporate Foundations/Giving list. The special edition includes over 40 nonprofit organizations, highlighting their causes and how others can get involved. Several



community-minded companies also took the opportunity to shine light on their philanthropic efforts and how they contribute to a better workplace culture.

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I am delighted to be part of this caring community. I hope OC Philanthropy will inspire you and your company to join these organizations in their philanthropic efforts throughout Orange County.

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### Stars & Stripes Catches Success

### 25 Years In, OC-Backed Event In Cabo San Lucas Raises \$45M

### ■ By KIM STEMPER

The **Stars & Stripes Tournament** has caught a large reputation: one of the biggest and best fishing-focused philanthropic events in the world.

This year marked the 25th for the event, which was held June 22 to June 26 at the **Hilton Los Cabos** in **Cabo San Lucas**.

More than 850 people came together for a long weekend of deep-sea fishing, high-end golf, top-tier musical performances, luxurious accommodations and more.

The event netted a record \$5 million this year to support child-oriented charities.

Stars & Stripes has raised \$45 million since its inception, all of it given to organizations changing the lives of children.

The group's foundation is based in Irvine, and a good portion of its leadership, backing and beneficiaries come from Orange County.

### **Plan It, They Will Come**

The Stars & Stripes Tournament was the inspiration of **Dick Gebhard** and his wife, **Debbie**, of Santa Ana-based **Pinnacle Landscape Management**, and in part stemmed from Gebhard's time on the board of directors for **Big Brothers Big Sisters Orange County & the Inland Empire**.

Gebhard, a charismatic man whose brain, as his close friend and fellow Big Brothers board member at the time, **Baldwin & Sons** founder **Al Baldwin**, attests, is always "going the other way," wanted to come up with a new fundraiser to benefit BBBSOC.

The son of a commercial fisherman, Gebhard had first picked up the sport as a young boy. He'd spent time in Cabo San Lucas in the '60s and '70s when it was known as a sleepy seaside fishing village, then inspiration struck: a fishing tournament-fundraiser.

"At first, no one thought it was going to happen," Gebhard said.

"There were all kind of challenges—companies didn't want to sponsor a big party in another country, and the logistics were insane."

Undaunted, Gebhard flew down to Mexico and talked with the manager at the **Hotel Cabo San Lucas**, **Mitch Parr**. Parr loved the idea.

After brainstorming, they decided to call the tournament Stars & Stripes.

"The 'stars' are the kids, who really are the stars of this event," said Gebhard, "And the stripes—well, that's for all the striped marlin we were going to catch!"

### **Advance Work**

To get the tournament off the ground, Gebhard had to reserve the space in advance. He reserved 50 rooms at the hotel, putting them all on his credit card. He did the same with the airline tickets and the boat charters. He estimated 100 people would come, but when he put his card on the table, only one—Baldwin—had committed.

The founder of the Newport Beach-based homebuilder also wanted to bring down some of the children served by the local Big Brothers organization, along with a parent, so they could experience something unforgettable.

Gebhard spent most of the next year working on the tournament while running his company.

"I asked everyone I knew to participate," he recalled. "If they said 'No," I just asked them again. I think I asked everyone about five times."

Gebhard secured his 100th participant with



Dana Bowman, representing HALO for Freedom Warrior Foundation, flies with the American Flag to celebrate the opening of the 2022 Stars & Stripes Tournament

two weeks to go.

### **Dancing Horse to Knights**

Stars & Stripes raised \$16,000 in its first

Gebhard didn't think he wanted to do it again, but then people started asking about the second year. Why not? Gephard thought.

The first two years, it was a fishing tournament. The third year, they added golf. The fourth year they decided to add entertainment—a dancing horse.

"It cost \$1,000," Gebhard said. "The horse was led out to the sand, and it danced to the song 'La Bamba.' That was it. One song. People were delighted."

Over the next few years, the tournament grew bit by bit. A live auction was added, with Baldwin taking on the role of auctioneer.

Year six brought a breakthrough. **Erik Anderson**, president of Irvine's **Anderson Financial**, told Gebhard if Stars & Stripes raised \$500,000, his foundation would match it.

The event raised \$1 million that year. "That was our defining moment," Gebhard

### **Foundation Formed**

In year 10, Gebhard decided to create his own 501c3 organization, the **Stars & Stripes Children's Foundation**. He then created the **Knights**, essentially a board of directors with nine members. It was a simple thing to get folks to join the Knights, he remembered. They had been coming to the event for years and had the same passion for helping children that he did

Among these newly minted Knights were Baldwin and Anderson, as well as **Charles Ruck**, managing partner at the local office of **Latham & Watkins**, and **Tim Ryan**, then the president and CEO of the **Honda Center**, and now executive director of the **OC Vibe** development in Anaheim. Gebhard also created the **Ladies of the Knights**.

"My wife, Michele, and I went down to the event the first time as spectators about 18 to 20 years ago," said Ryan, who also serves on the local Big Brothers board of directors. "We became deeply involved."

"All the Knights are businesspeople," Baldwin said. "We take the same entrepreneur spirit to the event. When you get a set of business managers, you sit down to plan something, you have a certain number of juices that flow. The event gets better and better. You either improve or you go stale."

The event "has a way of getting under your skin," said **Michele Ryan**, who recently



Dick Gebhard, co-founder, Pinnacle Landscape Management, board chair, Stars & Stripes Tournament; Michael Schrock, founding principal, president, Urban Arena; Charles Ruck, managing partner, Latham & Watkins; Erik Anderson, president, Anderson Financial; Tim Ryan, executive director, OC Vibe; Michele Ryan; Al Baldwin, founder, Baldwin & Sons; Andy Buerk, president, Bernards; Zlatko Zadro, president, Zadro Products



joined the Knights as its first female member after being part of the Ladies of the Knights for years.

"I really wanted to help and saw how some improvements to the auctions could amplify the money being raised."

She built a silent auction committee, knowing they could grow their advocacy in the process.

"The unexpected and beautiful result was how the committee members, many of whom were barely acquainted, grew to be friends and became connectors to the nonprofits," she said.

### Million-Dollar Auction

"I've been in the event business for over 45 years, and [Stars & Stripes] is an event where so many people deserve so much credit," Ryan said.

The silent and live auctions exemplify how the event pulls talent from across the board.

The Ladies of the Knights focus on the 
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### City of Hope Sends New Message Aloft

### Works with FivePoint To 'Rise Above Cancer'

### ■ By PETER J. BRENNAN

The **City of Hope**'s Orange County campus in Irvine has a new message to spread, from 400 feet above ground.

The city's giant orange balloon that often can be seen floating over the Great Park near the Santa Ana (5) and San Diego (405) freeways now has the message: Rise Above Cancer.

"People find different ways to travel to the place of their dreams," City of Hope Orange County President **Annette Walker** told an audience of about 50 on Aug. 22.

"Some fly, some walk, some ride a train. And some, like today, take a ride in a balloon.

"When you see this orange dot of hope on the horizon, as you feel your spirits lift, know what we are hard at work to lift the spirits of friends and family around our community and hope is here."

### **Branded Balloon**

The City of Hope officially launched the new branded balloon on the same day it began admitting patients into its **Lennar Foundation Cancer Center**, located 4 miles away.

In attendance were Irvine city council members as well as **Dan Hedigan**, the chief executive of **Five Point Holdings LLC** (NYSE: FPH), the developer of the **Great Park Neighborhoods** and other communities in Valencia and San Francisco. "The new cancer center is indeed a beautiful and inspiring building," Hedigan told the audience.

The developer's headquarters are in the same **FivePoint Gateway** office campus as the cancer center.

"I've seen the state-of-the-art technology and treatment facilities. They're spectacular," Hedigan said.

"But there's a larger mission behind City of Hope that makes their new house a home. And it's the people."

### **Duarte Commute**

Founded in 1913, City of Hope's headquarters in Duarte, about 45 miles north of John Wayne Airport, has grown into one of the largest cancer research and treatment organizations in the U.S. It says cancer can affect 1 in every 3 Americans. About 1.9 million people are diagnosed annually in the U.S. with cancer and about 38% of all cancers can be prevented.

It chose to spend \$1 billion in Orange County for a new cancer complex because about 20% of the 3.2 million residents in the area may need advanced cancer care, Walker said.

Another reason was because some of its patients lived in Orange County and often made the drive to Duarte that could take hours each way in traffic.

**Todd Kennedy**, who in 2017 discovered he had multiple myeloma, a highly complex blood cancer that isn't yet curable, often went to Duarte for treatment, which he told the crowd is now in remission.

"My wife and I have lived in Southern California for most of our lives—but in 2017 we had no idea where Duarte was. After over 100 round trips there and back, we now know where Duarte is—it's a long way away!" Kennedy told the gathering. "We are thrilled that the City of Hope Lenna Foundation Cancer Center is now open, here in our backyard."

The company's OC cancer care network





now includes four regional clinics—two in Newport Beach, one in Huntington Beach and the 190,000-square-foot Lennar Foundation Cancer Center. It plans to open a 170,000-square-foot cancer hospital in 2025.

Five Point was started by **Emile Haddad**, its chairman emeritus and a former top executive at **Lennar Corp.**, which last year donated \$50 million to the center.

City of Hope officials said patients at the Lennar Center will receive the most advanced cancer care in the county. They will have access to nearly 1,000 phase 1-3 clinical trials each year, where 575 physicians and more than 1,000 researchers and scientists are focused solely on treating and curing cancer.

"We stand beside our friends at City of Hope, today and always, as you take a big step forward in your mission to treat—and hopefully end—cancer once and for all," Hedigan told the audience. "Together, with the community, let's rise above cancer." ■



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### Corporate Foundations Boost Local, National Efforts

### 2021 Sees Greater Focus On Underrepresented Communities

### ■ By KATIE MURAR

**Edwards Lifesciences Foundation** was among several Orange County companies that ramped up their giving efforts last year after a largely stalled 2020.

"Last year was a bigger year for us, particularly in Orange County," Vice President of Global Corporate Giving **Amanda Fowler** told the Business Journal.

The organization—the giving arm of the Irvine-based heart valve device maker (NYSE: EW)—gave \$4 million to Orange County charities in 2021, a nearly 88% boost from 2020.

It was the largest increase among all Orange County foundations and cinched the organization's top spot on this year's Business Journal list of corporate donors, moving up from No. 2 last year.

The list ranks foundations by their giving to OC organizations, and also includes data on their total giving.

Total corporate giving among the largest OC foundations rose last year by 9% to \$284.3 million after a 7.4% decline in 2020. Giving to OC charities among the same group jumped more than 11% to \$18.4 million last year after a nearly 10% drop the year prior.

### Equity

Edwards, the most valuable publicly traded company based in Orange County with a market cap near \$60 billion, donated roughly \$1.5 million to **Orange County United Way** last year to support its work in the county, such as providing free COVID-19 vaccines to residents with a specific focus on underserved populations.



The foundation also supported the American Heart Association in Orange County and its new chief scientific officer, Todd Brinton.

"He's focused on supporting health equity and bring education and treatment to those who are underrepresented," Fowler said.

Focusing on minorities or marginalized individuals is a key theme for the foundation, which also gave funds to support new leadership at the UCI Edwards Lifesciences Foundation, Cardiovascular Innovation and Research Center (CIRC).

In 2021, Edwards made a renewed gift of \$2.2 million to aid in the recruitment and hiring of CIRC's new director, **Naomi Chesler**, also the UCI Chancellor's Inclusive Excellence Professor of biomedical engineering.

"We made a significant investment at the UCI center that builds on our initial, \$5 mil-

lion investment in 2007," Fowler said. "We want to support the new leadership and set her up for success as she creates innovation in the cardiovascular space that's reflective of all needs and people."

Outside of Orange County, Edwards Lifesciences Foundation is investing in marginalized communities via its **Every Heartbeat Matters** initiative.

"We fund nonprofit partners around the world to help train in how to better detect heart disease," Fowler said.

Through the program, Edwards Lifesciences Foundation is funding the creation of the first cardiac surgeon in Rwanda after the genocide, which occurred in 1994.

### **C-Suite Power**

For total donations, Newport Beach's **Irvine Co.** saw the largest jump in 2021 efforts, up 520% to \$12.4 million.

Among those who gave to local charities, Newport Beach's **Pimco Foundation** saw the second largest jump on the list behind Edwards, with 2021 donations up 48% to \$1.6 million.

In mid-2021, Pimco Foundation announced a five-year, \$10 million commitment to the **Global FoodBanking Network** (GFN) to improve access to food in impoverished communities.

In addition, Pimco CEO **Emmanuel Roman** and CIO **Dan Ivascyn** pledged to donate \$5 million each to charities such as GFN working to alleviate food insecurity.

"Food security is essential for societies and economies to thrive," Roman and Ivascyn said in a statement. "While our investments are just one humble contribution in global efforts to eradicate hunger, we believe we can have a real impact by supporting organizations like GFN to help supply a reliable source of food to communities in need."

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	1 (2)	Edwards Lifesciences Foundation 1 Edwards Way Irvine 92614-5688 Website: edwards.com/corporategiving Email: edwards_foundation@edwards.com	EDWARDS UPSCHARDS Edwards	\$4 million \$21 million	12/21	\$84 million	Education, healthcare	Product donation, in- kind donation, grants, employee engagement in charitable activities -international	Edwards Lifesciences Corp. Irvine	Amanda Fowler VP, global corporate giving, Edwards Lifesciences/executive director, Edwards Lifesciences Foundation (949) 250-2500	3
	2	Pacific Life <sup>(1)</sup> 700 Newport Center Drive Newport Beach 92660-6307 Website: pacificlifefoundation.com Email: plfoundation@pacificlife.com	PACIFIC LIFE FOUNDATION	\$7.5 million	12/21	\$128.9 million	Education; health and human services; environment, ocean health, and marine mammals; civic, community, and economic development; arts and culture	grants	Pacific Life Newport Beach	Darryl Button CEO/president (949) 219-5002	
	3 (4)	Bank of America Charitable Foundation Inc. 100 N. Tryon St. Charlotte, N.C. 28202-4000 Website: bankofamerica.com/foundation Email: foundation@bofa.com	BANK OF AMERICA 🌮	\$2.6 million \$200 million <sup>(2)</sup>	12/21	\$3.2 billion <sup>(3)</sup>	Workforce development, basics needs, housing, arts and environmental sustainability	Grants, volunteerism -national	Bank of America Corp. Charlotte, N.C.	Allen Staff Orange County market president, Bank of America (980) 386-9127	9
_	<b>4</b> (5)	Irvine Company/Donald Bren Foundation 550 Newport Center Drive Newport Beach 92660-7010 Website: irvinecompany.com Email: information@irvinecompany.com	IRVINE COMPANY	\$2.4 million \$12.4 million	12/21	wnd	Education, environment and innovation	Advanced science grants, educational enrichment support, environmental stewardship grants -Southern California	Irvine Company Newport Beach	Donald Bren chairman (949) 720-2000	
	<b>5</b> (7)	Pimco Foundation 650 Newport Center Drive Newport Beach 92660-6310 Website: pimco.com/pimcofoundation Email: purpose@pimco.com	PIMCO	\$6.4 million	12/21	\$135.2 million	Hunger, gender equality, college and career readiness, homelessness	Volunteerism, grants, employee donation match, in-kind, disaster assistance -international	Pimco Newport Beach	Nate Brown director (949) 720-6717	

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	6 (6)	Masimo Foundation for Ethics, Innovation, and Competition in Healthcare 52 Discovery Irvine 92618-3015 Website: masimofoundation.org Email: glennparrish@masimofoundation.org	MASIMO Pauridizar for Chius, formaticare in transfocial in transfocial	\$1 million \$2.5 million	3/21	\$5.3 million	Healthcare for underserved communities	Grants -international	Masimo Corp. Irvine	Joe Kiani chairman (949) 297-7792	13
	<b>7</b> (8)	Angels Baseball Foundation 2000 E. Gene Autry Way Anaheim 92806-6143 Website: angels.com Email: dennis.kuhl@angels.com	ANGELS BASEBALL FOUNDATION	\$967,318 \$975,787	12/21	\$10.5 million	Education, healthcare, arts and sciences, and community-related youth programs	Monetary grants, donations for fundraising efforts, scholarships -Southern California	Angels Baseball LP Anaheim	Dennis Kuhl president, Angels Baseball Foundation (714) 940-2000	
	8 (10)	KPMG LLP 20 Pacifica, Ste. 700 Irvine 92618-3391 Website: kpmg.com/us	KPMG	\$537,773 wnd	9/21	wnd	Children's literacy, education, environment, health, human services, civic projects, and arts	Monetary, volunteerism -Southern California	KPMG LLP New York	Mark Clemens OC office managing partner, KPMG (949) 885-5400	
-	9 (9)	Broadcom Foundation 4041 MacArthur Blvd., Ste. 510 Newport Beach 92660-2503 Website: broadcomfoundation.org Email: paula@brcmfdn.org	BROADCOM*	\$507,900 \$4.6 million	12/21	\$128.5 million	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) initiatives, community support programs	Financial -international	Broadcom Inc. San Jose	Paula Golden president, Broadcom Foundation (949) 464-4138	
	10 NR)	Farmers & Merchants Bank Foundation 302 Pine Ave. Long Beach 90802-2326 Website: fmb.com Email: foundation@fmb.com	FOUNDATION	\$360,570 \$577,388	12/21	\$2.2 million	Education, human services, faith-based, fine arts, healthcare	Grants -Southern California	Farmers & Merchants Bank n/a	Tiffany Roberts/Christine Walker-Bowman/Kevin Tiber foundation director/co-chair/co- chair (562) 437-0011	

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1	111)	Mazda Foundation USA Inc. 200 Spectrum Center Drive, Ste. 100 Irvine 92618-5004 Website: mazdafoundation.org Email: mazdafoundation@mazdausa.com	MAZDA FOUNDATION	\$250,000 \$475,000	9/21	\$10.8 million	Education and literacy, environmental conservation, cross-cultural understanding, social welfare, scientific research	Monetary grants -national	Mazda North American Operations Irvine	Jeffrey H. Guyton chairman, Mazda Foundation/ president, Mazda North American Operations (949) 727-1990	
	12)	Sunwest Bank Charitable Foundation 2050 Main St., Ste. 300 Irvine 92614-8279 Website: sunwestbankfoundation.org Email: info@sunwestbankfoundation.org	Sunwest Bank	\$200,780 \$464,762	12/21	\$3 million	Vulnerable children and families	Grants -international	H Bancorp LLC Irvine	Eric Hovde chairman (714) 881-3039	

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### CureDuchenne Ventures Takes Investment to Next Level

### Nonprofit Funds Science, Treating Genetic Disorder

### ■ By KIM STEMPER

**Debra Miller** and her husband, **Paul**, founded **CureDuchenne** in 2003 after their son **Hawken** was diagnosed with Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD), a genetic disorder characterized by progressive muscle degeneration and weakness.

The Newport Beach-based nonprofit quickly drew support from the Orange County community, and donations enabled CureDuchenne to invest in technologies that could help cure the disease.

Those technologies aren't cheap; it can cost upward of a billion dollars and take 10 years to get a drug approved, with only 1 out of every 10 therapies that go into development winning that approval, Miller said.

"It's very high-risk and it's very expensive," she said. "There is no way that a non-profit of our size—or really any nonprofit—is going to be able to fund a whole development program."

Miller and her team wanted a way to amplify its donations and its ongoing battle against Duchenne. In 2014, they founded **CureDuchenne Ventures LLC**, the nonprofit investment arm of CureDuchenne.

Its portfolio includes wide-ranging projects aimed at finding treatments for Duchenne, including investments in companies pursuing ways to restore dystrophin, as well as those developing anti-inflammatory and other mechanisms contributing to the disease.

"Pharmaceutical companies and venture capitalists are not interested in extremely high-risk projects," said Miller, a prior Business Journal Women in Business Award honoree.

"We know Duchenne well, probably better than the pharmaceutical companies. We vet these projects at an early stage and fund a small amount of the overall investment, get it to a point where there is data. At that point it's very attractive to pharma companies, large biotech companies or venture capital firms—they're ready to invest the tens of millions it takes to get it to the clinical trial."

### **Mount Everest of Muscle Disease**

CureDuchenne Ventures' early funding helps Duchenne research attract future investments from VC firms, biotech companies and pharmaceutical companies.

One such example is **Exonics Therapeutics**, which was created out of a partnership between CureDuchenne and **Eric Olson**, Ph.D., a professor and founding chair of the **Department of Molecular Biology** at **UT Southwestern** in Dallas.

In 2012, an American biochemist named **Jennifer Doudna** published a breakthrough paper on the use of CRISPR technology to edit genes, a method of genome modification that allows scientists to make precise changes in the long stretches of DNA that make up the code of life.

Olson took interest.

He and his team were grappling with the question of gene editing to cure or ease symptoms of genetic diseases that cause progressive weakness and loss of muscle mass

"We asked ourselves if we could apply that technology to something we were interested in," Olson said. "Duchenne was the obvious choice."

Duchenne muscular dystrophy is caused by a mutation in the gene that encodes for



CureDuchenne founders Paul and Debra Miller and their now 25-year-old son, Hawken

dystrophin, the largest known human gene. Dystrophin acts as a shock absorber for the membranes of all the muscle tissue in the body: skeletal muscles that enable movement, diaphragm muscles that enable breathing and heart that enables life. Without dystrophin, muscles are not able to function or repair themselves properly.

"We were always aware of Duchenne muscular dystrophy as the Mt. Everest of muscle disease," Olson recalled. "We felt that this disease really lends itself to gene editing for several reasons. One, it is devastating and there is no cure. And secondly, we knew a lot of the types of mutations in the genes and we thought we could correct them."

Duchenne almost exclusively affects boys. Usually diagnosed in early childhood, the muscles become weaker over time until it affects the whole body. Heart and lung issues frequently accompany the diagnosis, and most patients don't survive past their mid-20s, with heart failure the leading cause of death. About 20,000 children are diagnosed with Duchenne globally each year.

Olson and his team from UT Southwestern Medical Center, including Chengzu Long, Rhonda Bassel-Duby, Leonela Amoasii, John Shelton, and Alex Mireault, put their hypothesis to the test in 2014, leveraging the CRISPR technology to consolidate large numbers of gene mutations.

They discovered that the new gene-editing technique stopped progression of Duchenne in young mice.

### A Company is Born

In January 2016, Olson's team published their first paper with the proof-of-concept study, outlining their success with mice. Several biotech companies contacted him to express interest in his research, but he ultimately decided against partnering with them

"I wanted to be able to control how this played out and I didn't want it to become deprioritized in a larger company," he said, instead deciding to start his own company.

Then, CureDuchenne Ventures reached



'With proper funding, and the community's help, we can cure Duchenne,' Miller says

out.

"They'd heard about our paper and told me about what they were doing," Olson said, noting that he was impressed with their deep understanding of Duchenne, as well as their connections in the broader venture capital biotech world.

Olson, a self-described "science guy" and not a "business guy," thought he could benefit from advice on how to go through the legal issues that involved incorporating a company and the detailed business decisions that needed to be made.

"Frankly, I wasn't that interest in tackling those," he said. "I was more interested in the science."

In February 2017, Olson and Cure-Duchenne Ventures co-founded Exonics Therapeutics, which focused on developing gene editing technologies, including CRISPR, to correct genetic mutations that cause Duchenne.

Duchenne Ventures provided a \$5 million commitment, with \$2 million in immediate funding to carry out a pivotal study: curing Duchenne in an animal larger than a mouse.

### **Next Steps in Science**

Using the seed funding from Cure-Duchenne Ventures, Olson identified a family of beagles at the **Royal Veterinary College of London** that had Duchenne with the same most-common gene mutation that boys with Duchenne have.

Olson and one of his post-doctoral fellows went to London and treated the dogs with the gene editing components.

"It was one of the most intense moments of my career," Olson says. "No one had ever treated a large animal with a systemic whole-body treatment of a virus carrying a genetic component."

Eight weeks later when the dogs were analyzed, the results showed that the treatment had restored the production of dystrophin protein that was missing in their bodies.

"The treated dogs were running and jumping, and you couldn't tell the difference from their normal siblings," Olson remembered. "I couldn't have imagined a greater outcome from those experiments. It was all very exciting."

The work was published in October 2018. The next month, **The Column Group** (TCG), a science-driven venture capital firm, invested \$40 million in Exonics, enabling the firm to build a lab in Boston, a U.S. hot spot for gene editing companies.

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### **Seeing the Future**

Meredith Cagle, senior director of programs, Beyond Blindness; Angie Rowe, president and executive director, Beyond Blindness; Vicki Ueberroth Booth, president, Ueberroth Family Foundation

The Ueberroth Family Foundation provided a grant to Beyond Blindness that has enabled the nonprofit to purchase, install and activate an optometry lane exam station at Beyond Blindness facility in Santa Ana.

The exam lane is a comprehensive site where patients have their vision checked by ophthalmic professionals. Exam lanes include equipment and instruments to diagnose various conditions, prescribe corrective lenses for patients, and give detailed, descriptive reports that improve the ease of diagnosis while reducing the margin of error. These pieces range from the seat where patients sit for the exam to the slit lamp, visual acuity system, and more equipment designed to measure and test parts of the eye.

"For three decades, the Ueberroth Family Foundation has been assisting community-based organizations, like Beyond Blindness, that are effectively making a difference," said Vicki Ueberroth Booth, president, Ueberroth Family Foundation. "Our grant funding the new optometry lane exam station at Beyond Blindness will help ensure that children with visual impairments are diagnosed earlier and early intervention is key to maximizing and preserving eyesight."



**Playful Fundraising** 

Bill H. Lyon, center, with others at event

Pretend City Children's Museum hosted its 2nd Annual Sip and Savor Summer Soiree on July 28 at **Balboa Bay Resort**. The event raised \$75,000.

One-hundred-and-twenty guests gathered on the resort's bay-front lawn in their summer-best with proceeds funding the nonprofit's mission of fostering early childhood development through play. As part of the fundraising, the group partook in in their own activities including competitive Cornhole Antics, Fling the Ring wine toss, and fund the mission.

The event's fundraising champions included Perigon Wealth, South Coast Plaza, Bill H. Lyon Family, the William Gillespie Foundation and others.

"Every dollar invested into early childhood education is estimated to return \$15 over a child's life," said Bill H. Lyon, board member, Taylor Morrison and board member, Pretend City.



### Within Our Sights

Jim Mazzo, chairman, Gavin Herbert Eye Institute, member, Holland Foundation board of advisors; Gavin Herbert Sr., former CEO, Allergan; Marjan Farid, professor of ophthalmology, director of cornea, cataract and refractive surgery, Gavin Herbert Eye Institute; Dr. Edward Holland, Holland Foundation; Dr. Baruch (Barry) Kuppermann, director, Gavin Herbert Eye Institute

The Holland Foundation for Sight Restoration raised more than \$500,000 during a July 9 gala at Big Canyon Country Club in Newport Beach that was attended by Gavin Herbert, former CEO, Allergan Inc.

Herbert—namesake of UC Irvine's Gavin Herbert Eye Institute—is a legend in the ophthalmology industry as one of the founders of drugmaker Allergan, where he served as chief executive for 30 years. He was among nearly 200 guests who contributed funds that will be used to help establish a Center of Excellence for the treatment of Severe Ocular Surface disease at the Gavin Herbert Eye Institute.

The Holland Foundation is the only foundation created to address the significant unmet medical need of corneal transplantation for patients who have severe ocular surface disease while enabling surgeons the resources to provide the treatment across the country. It is led by Edward Holland, MD, an internationally recognized and pioneering ophthalmologist in the treatment of severe ocular surface disease practices at the Cincinnati Eye Institute and at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Edgewood, Kv.

"Through the generous support of those who came to the gala as well as many others who have contributed to building this program at UC Irvine, we will be able to help so many more people who have severe corneal blindness," said Marjan Farid, MD, professor of ophthalmology and director of cornea, cataract and refractive surgery at the Gavin Herbert Eye Institute. "We are hopeful to be able to support the entire west coast region in bringing the technology of ocular surface reconstruction that Dr. Edward Holland and his team have so successfully built in Cincinnati."



**Inspiring Memories** 

The Alzheimer's Association Orange County Chapter inaugural InspirationALZ Gala was held on Aug. 13 at the **Hyatt Regency** in Newport Beach. The event, themed Mind, Music & Memories, was presented by Innovation Refunds. Other sponsors included Julia & George Argyros, Shoring Engineers, BJ's Restaurants & Brewhouse, Ocean View Adult Psychiatric Hospital, Mack Pac Branding, Belmont Village, Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices California Properties, The Charitable Foundation, Country Rocks, Creative Vortex, Boisset Collection and Happy Photos.

"Being amongst so many supporters, local businesses and community leaders, researchers, caregivers and individuals living with Alzheimer's and dementia, we gathered in unity to support a cause so prevalent in our Orange County community," said Deborah Levy, executive director, Alzheimer's Association Orange County chapter. "We are so grateful to all who supported this inspiring evening.'

The InspirationALZ Gala raised \$330,000, which will support the Alzheimer's Association free education programs and support groups, as well as advocacy, and research funding. The evening included a tribute to Alzheimer's heroes Kermit Alexander, former NFL player (Los Angeles Rams, San Francisco 49ers, Philadelphia Eagles) and his wife Tami Alexander. Kermit is living with Alzheimer's and Tami serves as his full-time caregiver.



### The Power of Partnership: Breaking Barriers with Goodwill of Orange County

We continue to be inspired by the generosity of our Orange County neighbors, as we work together to strengthen the community around us. All of us at Edwards Lifesciences see firsthand that when we build trusted relationships with one another, break down barriers, and work together to achieve common goals, we can defy boundaries and improve lives. This philosophy of partnership drives the medical technologies we innovate in partnership with the clinical community to improve patient lives, as well as the approach we have to giving back in partnership with charitable organizations.

Goodwill of Orange County is one of the 118 charitable organizations that Edwards partners with right here in Orange County. Edwards is passionate about helping this organization achieve its mission of helping people facing barriers find and keep jobs, and provides support with grants from Edwards Lifesciences Foundation, employees leading donation drives, and an employee serving on its Board of Directors.

"Many people see the name Goodwill and think of the donation center and the retail side of it. But really Goodwill is much more than that - they want to have an impact. They want to make an impact in as many people's lives as possible, it's not just about donations," comments Edwards employee Greg Wright, Vice President, Edwards Lifesciences, and board member, Goodwill of Orange County.

"When we have trusted, long-term relationships as we do with Goodwill of OC, it's always inspiring to see the emergence of unique opportunities to partner," comments Amanda Fowler, Vice President, Global Corporate Giving, Edwards Lifesciences and Executive Director, Edwards Lifesciences Foundation.

Edwards recently opened a significantly expanded café and dining facility in Orange County as a part of our on-going campus expansion. Along with this came the need for new food service workers at a time when the industry was suffering from a talent gap. Goodwill of Orange County jumped in to meet the need – their Direct Placement Workforce Development Program was seeking new job placement opportunities and we are fortunate they were able to place four clients at our Edwards café.

"Our Workforce Development programs aim to find the right job match for both our program participants and our employer partners. We focus on the individual's interests, career aspirations and abilities – and then find the right fit with a great



Meet Tony, Goodwill of Orange County client and Edwards' café employee, who is passionate about his iob.

employer here in our community," explains Nicole Suydam, President and CEO, Goodwill of Orange County. "Working with Edwards Lifesciences gave us exciting new job opportunities to match with eager, deserving and ready individuals."

We are happy to hire Goodwill clients as they are not only hardworking and diligent, but we also know that employment provides dignity and opportunity. Tony who is a dishwasher at Edwards café expressed, "I love to work...I like going out there and learning how to do the job and doing it right. I like to see the customers happy. I like to see their faces happy. I really do enjoy it."

We are humbled that our giving culture at Edwards is vibrant and strong because of nonprofit organizations like Goodwill of OC and our employees, and we are proud of how the Orange County community continues to step-up for our neighbors in need. We have hope that the innovation, partnership and community that resides in Orange County will continue to strengthen for years to come.



### Building a Brighter, More Vibrant Orange County for All

BY SHELLEY HOSS, PRESIDENT AND CEO ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

"Philanthropy is not about the money. It's about using whatever resources you have at your fingertips and applying them to improving the world"
—Melinda French Gates

Orange County's philanthropic community represents the best of the head and the heart. Here, innovation and entrepreneurial drive meet generosity of spirit and the desire to create opportunities for our most vulnerable neighbors.

OCCF is home to nearly 620 charitable funds through which we have granted more than \$870M since our inception. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, OCCF ranks as the 3rd most active grantmaker among more than 780 U.S. community foundations.

One of the reasons philanthropy thrives in Orange County is our tradition of DIY success. Here, philanthropists are made not born, thanks to the entrepreneurial spirit that runs deep. Our economy is spurred by self-made wealth creators rather than intergenerational transfers of wealth, and this distinction makes all the difference when it comes to our county's philanthropic potential.

### **Putting Passion into Action**

### The Future is Working

Inspired by projections of 17,000 middle-skills jobs to become available in Orange County over the next decade, OCCF launched a Workforce Development Initiative in 2019 to help graduating high school seniors, disconnected older youth and underemployed young adults acquire the skills and credentials needed to secure in-demand, high-quality jobs aligned with the needs of local employers.

We are building talent pipelines for high-growth industries including healthcare, advanced manufacturing, and information technology through strategic partnerships with:

- Educational institutions: Training and certification
- Nonprofits: Outreach, soft skills training, and support to keep students on track
- Employers: Mentorship and on-site experience leading to potential employment

Investing in Orange County's high-potential workforce is one of the most promising paths toward the economic and civic health of our region. Let's keep working together to ensure that Orange County sets the bar for an innovative and inclusive economy that allows our entire community to thrive.

To join us in powering good for workforce development, contact Cathleen Otero at cotero@oc-cf.org.



### **Coming Together for Impact**

One donor can make an individual impact, but like-minded philanthropists move the needle on a cause by working together. The Impact Philanthropy group at the Orange County Community Foundation was created by charitably-minded professionals and emerging leaders living and working in Orange County.

Today's young adults are getting involved with philanthropy earlier than prior generations. These emerging donors tend to craft their philanthropic identities from seeing, doing, and hearing from others. OCCF's Impact Philanthropy program provides opportunities for participants to explore with their peers how philanthropy can be integrated into their lives and the lives of their families. Each year members participate in a collaborative grant-making program with the focus determined by the group. Since 2010, the OCCF Impact Philanthropy Group has awarded nearly \$565,000 to 55 local non-profits.

### To find out more about Impact Philanthropy, contact Keri Mesina at kmesina@oc-cf.org.

### The Welcome Home They Deserve

For far too long, transitioning from military service to life at home has been a struggle for veterans and their families. OCCF launched the Orange County Veterans Initiative in 2011, then expanded it after commissioning a 2015 study (and a 2021 follow-up) that exposed the immense challenges Orange County veterans face, from civilian life transition to employment readiness and health care. The OC Veterans Initiative connects donors, businesses, and community leaders with nonprofits and services supporting veterans and their families. Since its inception, the initiative has:

- Granted \$5 million to 17 organizations serving veterans
- Assisted more than 30,000 individuals and families
- Placed more than 750 individuals in full-time employment

To join us in powering good on behalf of OC veterans, contact Carol Ferguson at cferguson@oc-cf.org.

### **Getting Top-Notch Advice**

Savvy investors rely on expert guidance to drive performance in their financial portfolios, and strategic philanthropists do the same with their giving. From tax and legal guidance to the support of a philanthropic advisor like OCCF, donors who want to achieve life-changing impact with their charitable investments rely on knowledgeable partners to help guide the way.

The efforts of Orange County's unique brand of entrepreneurial givers are paying off, yet there's a lot more ground to cover – issues that can be tackled with a bold vision and innovative strategies. All you need is your passion, a goal for the impact you want to make and the right partners. Fortunately, in Orange County, you're in good hands with OCCF.

To learn more about powering good through strategic giving, contact Margita Blattner at mblattner@oc-cf.org.

The heart of OCCF's mission is translating charitable intent into meaningful impact. Doing that well requires expertise in the art of strategic giving—understanding our donors' goals as well as Orange County's greatest challenges. Never has this responsibility been more crucial than it is now, as our community struggles to recover from the ongoing effects of the pandemic. While generous individuals and families yearn to make a difference, nonprofits stagger under the weight of overwhelming needs.

It has been our privilege to stand in this gap, answering the call to guide philanthropy where it is needed most, where impact will be most powerful and lasting, and where a foundation for the long-term health and well-being of our community is being built

We are honored to be Orange County's community foundation—for good, for ever.





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### **Big impact** starts with smart strategy. Let us help bring your **philanthropic dreams** to life.

Our mission is to **grow the good** in Orange County, across the country, and around the world. Our heart beats to inspire a **passion for giving**, help donors meet the needs **closest to their hearts**, and work together to build a community where all have the **opportunity to thrive**.

### **Impact in Action**



### **Growing Economic Opportunity**

In an effort to bolster minority-owned small business, OCCF has partnered with nonprofits like CIELO which serves as an incubation hub for underrepresented entrepreneurs that has helped launch 300 small businesses since 2016.



### African American Alliance Fund

The fund has **granted over \$221,000** to 26 organizations to meet needs in education, health, human services, economic opportunity, civic engagement, and professional development for black leaders.



### **Giving Days**

OCCF's 2021 **I OC** Collaborative Giving Days **raised \$4.5 million** for 112 local nonprofits, making it the most successful year to date of the annual countywide online giving program.





Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Orange County provides a powerful voice and meaningful connection for children who have experienced abuse, neglect and abandonment. CASA volunteers are dedicated, ordinary citizens with extraordinary hearts. As trained child advocates, they develop a consistent one-to-one relationship with their child. CASAs spend quality time with their child and get to know them personally, often establishing a level of trust frequently absent from the life of a youth in foster care. This commitment enables advocates to interact with all professionals involved in the child's case and make recommendations directly to the court, ensuring the child's best interests are heard. Unlike social workers, therapists, and attorneys, who juggle large caseloads, CASA volunteers work with one child at a time and often become the most important, consistent adult in the child's life.

### The Challenge

There are **over 3,450 children and young adults under the jurisdiction of the Dependency Court in Orange County** – traditionally referred to as "foster care."

A large number of youth are unable to reunify or find family members or adoptive families and spend their entire childhood in foster care until they age out of the system at 18 to 21 years.

**Most long-term children in foster care experience multiple placements**—being moved from group home to foster homes with unfortunate frequency. Some will change placements several times each year, forcing them to re-acclimate time and time again.

Multiple placements typically cause frequent changes in school enrollment and disruption to athletic and extracurricular activities, eroding the child's sense of stability and security and often increasing behavioral issues and other challenges for these children.

Youth in foster care of all ages often describe themselves as feeling alone, isolated and stigmatized.

Victimized by their parents and other adults, and often **re-victimized in the dependency system**, youth in foster care **experience PTSD at twice the rate of returning U.S. soldiers**.

Only 58% of youth in foster care will graduate from high school.

1 in 5 former youth in foster care will become homeless within one year of leaving the dependency system.

By the age of 24, more than 50% of former youth in foster care will be unemployed.

### The Impact

A child with a CASA volunteer in Orange County has a **high school graduation rate of 92% compared to 58%** of youth in the dependency system in the United States.

A child with a CASA volunteer has **significantly less placements** than a child without a CASA volunteer.

A child with a CASA volunteer is **less likely to re-enter the child welfare system**. The proportion of re-entries is consistently **reduced by half**.

A child with a CASA volunteer is more likely to achieve placement in a **permanent home**.

CASA volunteers are highly effective in getting their recommendations accepted in court. In four out of five cases, all or almost all CASA volunteer recommendations are accepted.

A child with a CASA volunteer is **more likely to perform better academically and behaviorally in school** as measured by grades, expulsion rates and personal conduct.

When a CASA volunteer is assigned, a **higher number of support services are ordered** for children and families.

Children and youth assigned a CASA volunteer report **significantly higher levels of hope** which is linked to numerous positive outcomes including academic success, overall well-being, and increase self-control, positive social relationships and optimism.

### Friends of CASA

Friends of CASA (FOCASA), founded by the Junior League in 1995, began as a small group of dedicated women who planned and executed small fundraising events to support CASA OC.

As CASA has grown, so has FOCASA. Today, FOCASA members produce the Holiday Luncheon, a fashion show event held at a stunning 5-star resort, which raises over \$500,000 annually. In addition to planning exciting fundraising events, FOCASA members have the opportunity to attend educational events, community impact days, and courthouse tours to learn more about the challenges facing youth in the OC foster care system.

The Friends of CASA Holiday Luncheon is one of the Top 3 Luncheons in Orange County every year. It's a wonderful event. We are honored to once again be partnering with South Coast Plaza to put on a first class runway show, which this year will feature one of my favorite brands, Lafayette 148 New York. Lugano Diamonds will be our Exclusive Jewelry Sponsor and they always contribute a beautiful opportunity drawing



item. Barclay Butera Interiors will be decorating our Starfish Wish Trees that will feature over 150 ornaments custom designed by Timree for this event. Each ornament features a wish directly from a CASA youth that attendees can sponsor. More importantly, we always have an amazing speaker; either a former CASA youth or an advocate. Their stories are always extremely impactful. People who attend really get an idea of what children in the system experience and how their support can directly help. There's no better event, you get champagne, a delicious lunch, a designer fashion show, and an opportunity to make a difference in our community.

- Dana Strader, Friends of CASA President, 2022-2024

For information about becoming a Friends of CASA member, please contact Membership Director, Joanna James, at joannafocasa @gmail.com

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### How to Instill Giving and Philanthropic Values in Children

By City National Bank



The approximately 40 kids who are part of the fourth generation of the Lawrence Welk family start learning about giving to others at around age 5.

"One of my cousins adopted a child from China and we all wanted to do something to support the adoption agency," said Lisa Parker, president of the Lawrence Welk Family Foundation and granddaughter of band leader Lawrence Welk, who hosted TV's The Lawrence Welk Show from 1951 to 1982.

Soon, the kids' friends began donating their money and one 14-year-old relative donated \$400 he had saved over several months.

"The kids raised \$1,200 and, as a surprise, the family foundation matched that and another board member also matched it," said Parker.

The Welk family's inclination to expose its younger members to philanthropy as early as possible is a model that can work well for other affluent families.

"Family members won't magically develop philanthropic values but involving them from an early age and sharing your values can go a long way toward raising giving children," said Alan Wolberg, senior wealth planner for City National Bank.

### Hands-On Experience Inspires Greater Giving

Shirley Fredericks, Welk's daughter and Parker's mother, attended Catholic schools as a child and observed her parents helping people in their community.

"In high school we visited inner-city families to help them and that experience fueled my passion for social justice," said Fredericks, who became the president of the Lawrence Welk Family Foundation in 1980.

Her daughter followed her into that role beginning in 1997. Both women and the extended Welk clan believe strongly in kids getting a first-hand look at what philanthropy can accomplish.

The Welk family provided funds for numerous efforts in Boyle Heights, such as helping Father Greg Boyle open Homeboy Bakery, a nonprofit where former gang members bake and sell bread. Fredericks always made it a point to bring family members to the community to instill a visceral sense of its needs and what was being done to help people.

### **Foundations That Engage Younger Generations**

The mission of the Welk Family Foundation, said Fredericks, is to assist families living in poverty and to help lift them out of poverty by supporting community leaders and grass roots organizations.

"We really wanted to promote youth philanthropy too, so in 1983 our family foundation became the first organization to establish a junior board for my kids, my nieces and nephews, all in their teens or early 20s, to expose them to the work of the foundation," said Fredericks.

The junior board votes on how to spend its own budget, which is 10 percent of the full foundation's annual budget.

"We celebrate our kids meeting physical and intellectual benchmarks, but I crave benchmarks about compassion and generosity," said Parker. "It's never too early to start teaching kids about giving and we try to make giving fun, relevant and simple for them."



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Four years ago, City of Hope came to Orange County with a vision to bring next-level cancer care to our community. It was a big and bold idea, and it was urgent to fulfill.

At the time, as many as 20 percent of local residents receiving a cancer diagnosis left the region for advanced services. Often, they traveled to City of Hope in Duarte, an up to two-hour commute that was stressful for patients and their caregivers, and sometimes meant missed appointments.

Thanks to support from near and far, the vision has become a reality. The academic cancer center was made possible by a transformational \$50 million gift from Lennar Foundation, the charitable arm of homebuilder Lennar Corporation. Additionally, more than 15,000 local donors have shown their support for City of Hope Orange County.

Now, City of Hope Orange County Lennar Foundation Cancer Center has opened in Irvine, ushering in a new era of hope for people with cancer. It creates a national model for delivering breakthrough research and pioneering treatments — right in the heart of Orange County. The center is equipped with the latest advanced technology and is home to a team of cancer-fighting physician-scientists assembled from across the country.

"Four years ago, we pledged to bring the most advanced cancer care to Orange County, home to 3.2 million people," says Annette Walker, president, City of Hope Orange County. "As we open our cancer center's doors, our highly committed teams join the community in celebrating the delivery of tomorrow's lifesaving treatments to those who need them today. Hope is truly here in Orange County."

Distinguishing clinical services of the new center will include access to nearly 1,000 innovative Phase 1-3 clinical trials being conducted at City of Hope each year — more cancer-focused clinical trials than anywhere in the area. Patients will benefit from breakthrough treatments such as targeted immunotherapies, including CAR T cell therapy, as well as bone marrow transplants, robotic minimally invasive surgeries and MRI-guided radiation oncology. A trailblazing integrative medicine program will combine the best of Western medicine and evidence-based complementary therapies, such as acupuncture, massage and meditation.

In addition, City of Hope is a national leader in evidence-based supportive care. The Sheri & Les Biller Patient and Family Resource Center at the comprehensive cancer center in Irvine will facilitate easy access to a wide range of programs, including care navigation, survivorship programs, psychological and spiritual counseling, pain management and more.

Echoing the sentiments of many in Orange County, grateful patient Leslie Bruce Amin says, "I've been waiting for this day ever since City of Hope announced its plans for an Orange County campus. Whenever I connect with people navigating a cancer diagnosis, my first piece of advice is to always find a cancer-specific research center for the most advanced care. Now, right here in our community, people with cancer have the highly specialized and compassionate care they need — all in one place."

For more information, visit CityofHope.org/OC

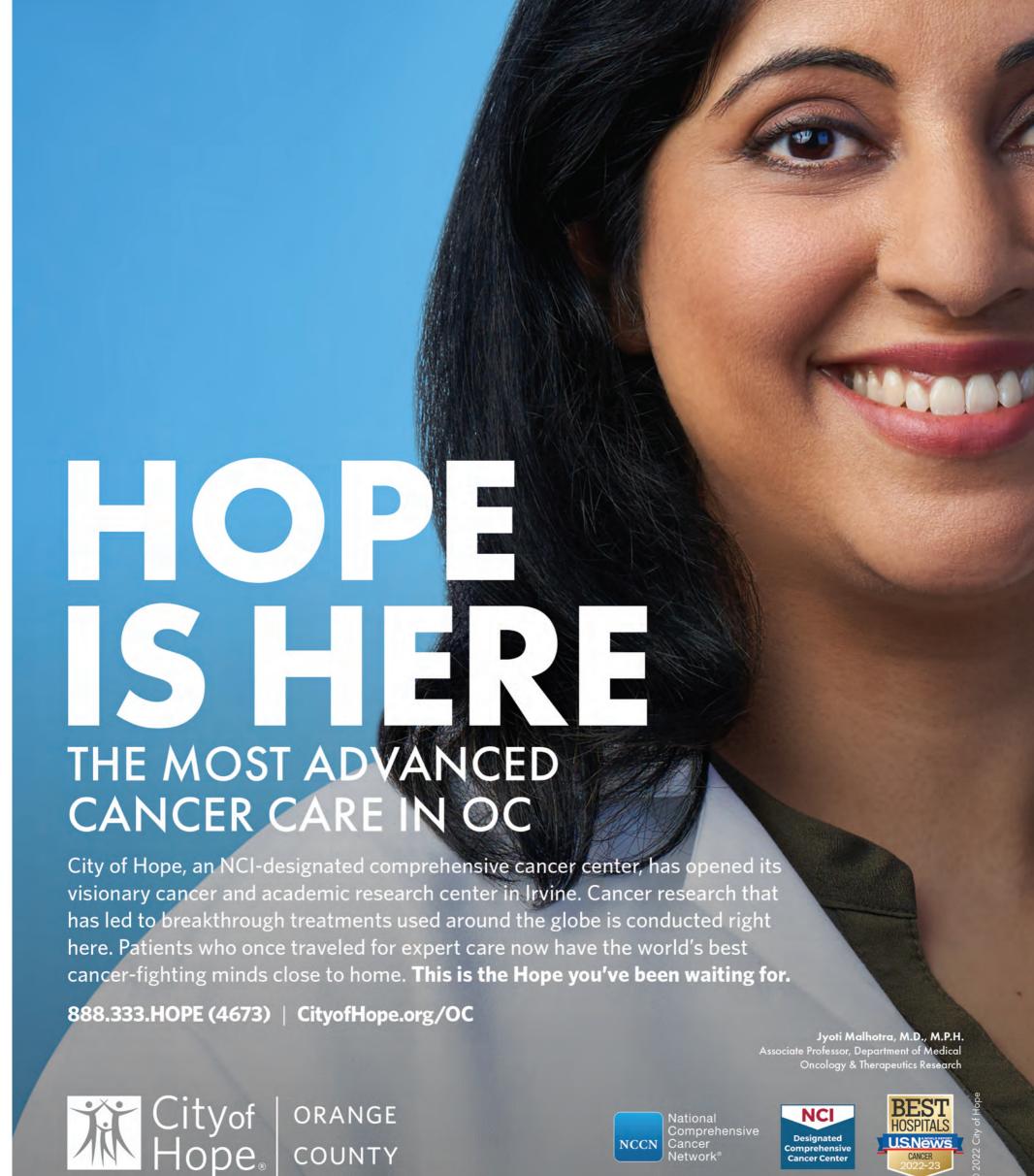


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Newport Beach Lido Huntington Beach

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Cancer Center



### ORANGE COUNTY PHILANTHROPY

Orange County is not just the land of warm sunshine, bustling tourism, and sandy beaches. It's also an incredibly generous community which makes a difference in the lives of others – from children, families, and education systems to healthcare and the arts. For decades, our community has provided countless hours of time, resources, and tools to improve the lives for those in need.



### A RING OF OPTIMISM Geometric Eternity Band

This golden from-here-to-eternity band shimmers in all the right places. A stunning 11.5 carats of yellow diamonds creates a circle of perfection.



### BEAUTIFULLY DIFFERENT Mismatched Diamond Drop Earrings

Lugano's master craftspeople have created harmony in these perfectly mismatched pair of earrings which feature staggering 8-carat each octagonal yellow and pink diamonds. A unique and balanced wearable work of art.



### A MIXED DIAMOND MASTERPIECE Multi-colored Rose Cut Chain Necklace

A delicate array of uniquely colored rose cut mixed diamonds is a piece for your legacy collection. Each hand-cut diamond is connected on a beautiful chain of gold.



### Top Philanthropists Announced for 37th Annual National Philanthropy Day Orange County



Orange County's top philanthropists, business leaders and individuals will be honored at the 37th annual National Philanthropy Day Awards Program and Celebration, on Thursday, November 17, 2022.

Networking: 10:30 - 11:30a.m

National Philanthropy Day Awards Luncheon: 11:30a.m - 1:30p.m.

At City National Grove of Anaheim

Produced by the Orange County Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals, National Philanthropy Day has become the most prominent philanthropic recognition event in Orange County, with more than 1,000 honorees since its inception in 1986. *Orange County Business Journal* is the Presenting Sponsor, PBS SoCal is the Broadcast Media Sponsor and the *Orange County Register* is the Community Media Sponsor.

To purchase tickets to the event or learn more about sponsorship opportunities, please visit www.npdoc.org.

### **About National Philanthropy Day**

National Philanthropy Day Orange County honors those who have demonstrated philanthropy and enhanced their communities and the world. Each year, more than 140 Association of Fundraising Professionals chapters throughout the U.S., Mexico and Canada honor the philanthropic efforts of individuals, businesses and groups. Net proceeds of the event support the ethical advancement of philanthropy in the community by the Orange County Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals. www.npdoc.org

### 2022 National Philanthropy Day Orange County Outstanding Honorees

### Legacy Award I Gena Reed

Gena Reed's philanthropic journey began in high school, where she led a team supporting a young African girl needing financial aid for school and food. After university and a successful career at a major pharmaceutical company, she and her husband launched a contract research company and grew the business into an international enterprise. She continued to support philanthropic groups, including the environment, women's rights, and education of children. Working with Girls Inc. and Samueli Academy, she became committed to supporting students offering college scholarships. Her largess extended to helping young girls in Guatemala by building a training center in one of the poorest communities of Panajachel, Guatemala.



Gena Reed

### Outstanding Philanthropist I Jacqueline Dupont-Carlson, Msg, MPa, PhD, EdD

Jacqueline Dupont-Carlson is a Gerontologist, she has achieved multiple degrees from prestigious universities. As founder and CEO of many memory care facilities, she brings substantial experience working with older adults. Awards from UCI MIND, Alzheimer's Orange County, Senior Serv, Orange Catholic Foundation, and JSerra. Current boards include Illumination Foundation (Board Chair), Wells of Life, St. Anne School, USC Gerontology, University of Notre Dame, and trustee at the University of San Diego. She also supports the Downey Kiwanis Foundation, founded by her father, providing



Jacqueline Dupont-Carlson

college scholarships for the disabled. She has been featured on *CNN*, *Dateline*, *Fox News*, *CNBC*, and *Wall Street Journal* exemplifying her passion to serve others.

### Outstanding Founder I Mary Selz (Thomas House Family Shelter)

Thomas House Family Shelter was founded in 1986 by Garden Grove residents Mary and Bernie Selz, who wanted to help the growing number of unhoused families with children in the community by providing them a safe place to live and build selfsufficiency. Today, with the help of the City of Garden Grove and the County of Orange, that effort consists of three apartment buildings that have provided rentfree shelter, food, career development, private counseling, and supportive services for more than 1,600 unhoused families. Mary, now widowed, is humbled



Mary Selz

by all the community, local government and nonprofit service partners who have helped make Thomas House possible.

### **Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser I Rossina Gallegos**

Rossina Gallegos joined Union Bank in 1981, and during her tenure, has served in various positions in small business lending, Special Assets management and Multicultural Markets. She facilitates and manages the charitable contributions and foundation grant making for Orange County and implements strategies, tactics and programs to maximize the talent and availability of Union Bank employees with the needs of low-and moderate-income communities. She serves on the boards of Santa Ana College Foundation (President), Orange County Children Therapeutic Arts Center, Orange County Community Housing Corporation, National Latina



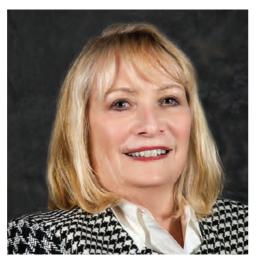
Rossina Gallegos

Business-Women Association-Inland Empire Chapter, Affordable Housing Clearing House, Hispanic Education Endowment Fund, and Orange County Human Relations Council.

### 2022 National Philanthropy Day Orange County Outstanding Honorees

### Outstanding Philanthropic Group | Orange County Association of Health Underwriters

The Orange County Association of Health Underwriters is the local Chapter of the National Association of Health Underwriters and includes agents, brokers, carrier reps, and other health insurance professionals assisting individuals and employers with their health insurance needs. Ten years running, they have won the prestigious National Association's William F. Flood Award for Public Service. Through golf tournaments and the Women in Business Luncheon, they have raised \$800,000+ for Cystic Fibrosis of OC and New Hope Grief Support Community. They have



Pat Stiffler, President

participated in KFI's pasta drive for Caterina's Club and hold annual holiday gift drives for children hospitalized at Kaiser and CHOC and for youth at Orangewood Children's Home.

### **Outstanding Youth | Jasmine Chhabria**

Jasmine Chhabria, 18, an Occidental College political science major, is committed to using knowledge and resources to help change the world. Researching the 1947 Mendez v. Westminster court case desegregating California schools inspired her to create a historical reenactment and make equity presentations for OC Department of Education and Association of California School Administrators' Every Child Counts Symposium. A Sacramento trip as an Irvine **Unified School District** delegate prompted her to write

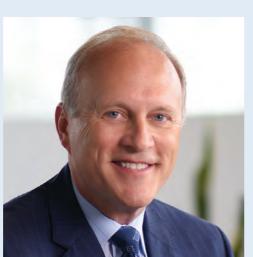


Jasmine Chhabria

a bill to update history curriculum with diverse perspectives. Named one of *OC Register's* 125 Most Influential People in 2021 and Greater Irvine Chamber's 2022 Woman of Influence, other community service projects include Girl Scouts of OC, Sunrise Group and Vanguard University.

### Outstanding Corporation or Business, Small (1-50 employees) | Talonvest Capital

Talonvest Capital has provided advisory/mortgage brokerage services to commercial and self-storage real estate owners across the country since 2010. With a vision statement that includes "positively influencing the communities where we work" and corporate values that include stewardship, expertise, collaboration, passion, and charity, upon its founding Talonvest committed a percentage of top-line revenue to philanthropic endeavors. The Orange County Ronald McDonald



Tom Sherlock, Principal and President

House (OCRMH), UCI Center for Real Estate and Success School for Girls are a few of the organizations where the company does work and provides ongoing financial support. In addition, significant efforts are further provided toward fundraising for OCRMH's annual Walk for Kids.

### Outstanding Corporation or Business, Mid-Size (51-499 employees) | Ware Malcomb

Established in 1972, Ware Malcomb is a contemporary and expanding fullservice design firm providing professional architecture, planning, interior design, civil engineering, branding and building measurement services to corporate, commercial/residential developer and public/institutional clients throughout the world. To celebrate Ware Malcomb's culture of giving, the company is involved with many charitable organizations. For the past 24 years, Ware Malcomb has supported United Way in an annual company-wide giving campaign. Other Orange County nonprofits the firm partners with include Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation's annual fundraising event since 2012, more



Ruth Brajevich, VP, Strategic Initiatives

than a decade of support for Susan G. Komen Orange County, and the Orange County Community Foundation.

### Outstanding Corporation or Business, Large (500+ employees) | Pacific Premier Bank

Founded in 1983, Pacific Premier Bank has become one of the largest commercial banks headquartered in the western region of the U.S., with approximately \$22 billion in total assets. Actively engaging in its communities, the bank posted 7,460 volunteer hours in 2021, with 2,263 hours in Orange County. The bank's charitable giving strategy reflects its deep commitment to improving economic prosperity for under-resourced individuals, families and small businesses. During 2021, \$3.9 million was provided in charitable support, with nearly \$1.4 million benefiting Orange County. Among the 100+ OC organizations Pacific Premier Bank serves are Project Access, Women's Transitional Living Center, Families Forward, Child Creativity Lab, and Templo Calvario CDC.



Eddie Wilcox, President and CEO

# BANKING FOR A PURPOSE F&M Bank's Commitment to Orange County

For over a century, mission-driven nonprofit clients have trusted F&M Bank to provide customized solutions for their business. F&M Bank has provided banking services to charitable organizations, schools, and houses of worship across Southern California for 115 years. With F&M as their dedicated financial partner, nonprofits can focus on what matters – fulfilling their mission.

### **Banking & Donation Solutions**

In addition to Checking, Savings, Money Market Accounts, and Earnings Credit Rates, F&M offers secure corporate Mobile & Online Banking to help 501(c)(3)s manage cash flow, mitigate risk, and increase efficiency. F&M Bank introduced SecureGive®, an innovative online giving platform that makes accepting donations easy for nonprofits and their donors. With the intuitive **SecureGive®** system, organizations can securely receive donations from any device with a web browser. Their state-of-the-art security offers a layer of protection providing donors with confidence as they support meaningful organizations.

### **Credit Solutions**

F&M understands that nonprofits have distinct credit needs in order to fulfill their missions. Our Specialty Lending Group will create a custom-tailored financing solution for each nonprofit's specific situation. In addition to Capital Campaign Bridge Loans, Operating Lines of Credit, and Construction Lending, F&M Bank also specializes in Tax-Exempt Bond Financing in partnership with the California Enterprise Development Authority.

### What are tax-exempt bonds?

F&M's tax-exempt financing program, designed specifically for nonprofit organizations, provides lower-than-market interest rates to qualified 501(c)(3) organizations.

### What are the eligibility requirements?

- Eligible nonprofit corporations include museums, schools, colleges, community centers, hospitals, research institutes, and social service organizations.
- Eligible projects include construction and expansion of new and existing
  facilities, purchase of new equipment, refunding prior debt (under certain
  circumstances), reimbursing prior expenditures (under certain
  conditions), working capital (limited), costs of issuance, capitalized
  interest and debt service reserve funds.



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Nonprofit banking is another way F&M Bank supports the local community.

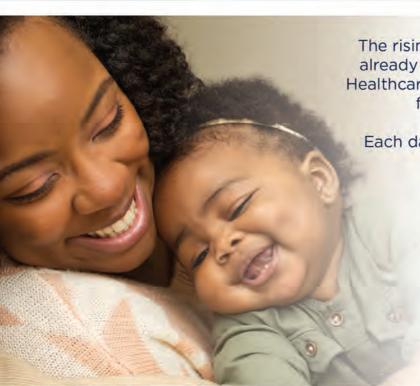
Contact F&M's Specialty Lending Group at 562-472-1738





# Give Today and Make Miracles Happen!





The rising cost of living is hurting everyone. For families with critically-ill children already struggling to survive, it is a devastating battle. Food prices are up 10.9%. Healthcare costs are up 5.1%. Today, Miracles' families are choosing between putting food on the table or gas in the car to get to and from the hospital.

Each day, Miracles for Kids walks alongside 300+ families in crisis, with stability programs that make their survival possible.

Each day, we have a waitlist of families hoping they are next.

We need your help to be the Miracle our families are looking for.

Whether you can give an hour, or a dollar, YOU can be there for a family with a critically-ill child.

**Please Give Today** 

Bill Pay - We keep the lights on, pay medical bills, put gas in the car and much more.

Housing - We pay the rent, and offer housing to those at risk for homelessness.

Basic Needs - We deliver food, clothing, cleaning supplies, specialty items and other essentials monthly.

Wellness - We provide no-cost individual/group therapy and wellness activities for all family members.



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Volunteer.
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Donate.



# Masimo Focuses Philanthropy on Eliminating Preventable Patient Deaths, Helping Pandemic Relief Efforts, and Improving Access to Quality Healthcare Around the World

Masimo is a global medical technology company that develops and produces a wide array of industry-leading monitoring technologies, including innovative measurements, sensors, patient monitors, and automation and connectivity solutions. Our mission is to improve patient outcomes, reduce the cost of care, and take noninvasive monitoring to new sites and applications. To help further our commitment to improve access to quality healthcare around the world, we support a variety of philanthropic organizations.

### World Health Organization

Founded in 1948, WHO is the United Nations agency that connects nations, partners and people to promote health, keep the world safe, and serve the vulnerable—so everyone, everywhere can attain the highest level of health.

### **Direct Relief**

Direct Relief is a humanitarian aid organization with a mission to improve the health and lives of people affected by poverty or emergencies without regard to politics, religion, or ability to pay.

### United for Oxygen Alliance

United for Oxygen Alliance is the world's first effort by a consortium of government, industry, foundation and civil society organizations to scale-up access to pulse oximetry and oxygen in health facilities in Ethiopia, with a special focus on reducing deaths among children under five and pregnant women.

### Smile Train

Since its founding, Smile Train has provided training and financial support for the treatment of clefts, empowering medical professionals around the world to treat cleft patients with life-changing surgery and related comprehensive cleft care that they would not otherwise be able to access.

Refugee Medical Crisis in Partnership with Doctors Without Borders Doctors Without Borders is an independent, global movement dedicated to providing medical aid where it's needed most.

### The Newborn Foundation and the BORN Project

The Newborn Foundation is dedicated to leveraging technology innovation to save newborn lives and improve health outcomes for the newest, most vulnerable citizens.

### The Masimo Foundation for Ethics, Innovation and Competition in Healthcare

The Masimo Foundation for Ethics, Innovation and Competition in Healthcare was founded with a mission to encourage and promote

activities, programs, and research opportunities that improve patient safety and deliver advanced healthcare to people worldwide who may not otherwise have access to lifesaving technologies.

### Patient Safety Movement Foundation

The Patient Safety Movement Foundation was founded to raise awareness about patient and health worker safety by educating and mobilizing people across the world to stand up for safe care.

For the past ten years, Masimo has been the presenting sponsor of the World Patient Safety, Science & Technology Summit, which is the annual meeting of the Patient Safety Movement Foundation (PSMF) – a nonprofit 501(c)(3) founded by The Masimo Foundation for Ethics, Innovation and Competition in Healthcare. The Patient Safety Movement Foundation's vision is to achieve zero preventable patient harm and death across the globe by 2030.

The initial Lives Saved Program was concluded in 2020. Between 2012 and 2020, more than 4,793 hospitals across 54 countries made a public commitment to reduce preventable patient deaths and hospitals reported a cumulative total of 366,353 lives saved through the PSMF. In late 2020, a new "Commit to ZERO" program was started. Under the new program, hospitals and healthcare organizations commit to zero by sharing how they are working to become high reliability organizations (HROs) and are encouraged to share their patient safety data publicly to be recognized as an exemplary organization. To learn more visit https://patient.sm/commit-to-zero-OCBJ.

In addition, PSMF has an Open Data Pledge program in which more than 93 healthcare technology companies have signed to make the data their products generate interoperable so the patient data collected and displayed are accessible to patients and clinicians.

The Foundation has identified 27 patient safety challenges facing hospitals and developed over 50 Actionable Patient Safety Solutions (APSS) Blueprints which can be downloaded for free at https://patient.sm/APSS-OCBJ. These APSS can be used by hospital and healthcare organization leaders as a self-assessment tool to ensure that all facilities are doing everything they can to improve patient safety and eliminate preventable patient deaths in their facilities.

### Summary

Masimo's work for more than 30 years has already affected 2 billion people—and we hope to help many more. For more information about Masimo, please visit www.masimo.com.





### The American Red Cross of Orange County: There When Help Can't Wait

The American Red Cross exists to provide compassionate care to those in need. The work of the Red Cross spans the globe but the impact of its services are personal and lifechanging, empowering ordinary people to perform extraordinary acts in emergency situations. Whether it's a community member whose home has been destroyed in a fire, a family who has been displaced by a wildfire, a child in need of lifesaving blood or a member of the military experiencing a family emergency, the Red Cross is there to offer help and hope when it is needed most.

In the last year, volunteers with the American Red Cross of Orange County responded to disasters like wildfires, home fires, floods, mudslides and more, and helped families who were affected – making sure they had a safe place to stay, food to eat and tools to help them recover. We enrolled thousands of community members in First Aid/CPR/AED classes and other training courses, provided services for the military community through Red Cross Service to the Armed Forces, collected lifesaving blood donations at hundreds of blood drives, and more. Through our comprehensive preparedness programs, we also work year-round to help community members prepare for disasters and emergencies likely to occur in our region.

You can help us fulfill our vital mission. Ways to get involved:

**Volunteer**: The Red Cross of Orange County is seeking more volunteers ahead of a busy wildfire and disaster season. Disaster Action Team volunteers, shelter workers, health services volunteers and others are especially needed. Your time and talent can make a real difference in people's lives. There are opportunities available to match a wide variety of interests and schedules. All training is provided. Learn more at **redcross.org/volunteer**.

**Get Trained:** The Red Cross is your partner in getting prepared for emergencies. Consider taking a first aid, CPR and AED course, so you'll know what to do in an emergency if help is delayed. Visit **redcross.org/takeaclass** or call 1-800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767) and select the Health and Safety Training prompt to register for a class.



**Give Blood:** The need for blood is constant. Every day, volunteer blood and platelet donors are needed to help save lives. You can help by donating blood or hosting a blood drive. Eligible individuals are encouraged to schedule a blood or platelet donation appointment by using the Red Cross Blood Donor app, visiting **RedCrossBlood.org** or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767).

**Donate**: Visit **redcross.org/donate** to make a financial donation. An average of 90 cents of every dollar spent is invested in providing care and comfort for those in need. The contributions of individual donors and corporate partners enable the Red Cross to make a tremendous difference every day for those who rely on our services in disasters and other emergencies. For information on giving opportunities or event sponsorship, please contact Amy Kennedy at **amy.kennedy@redcross.org**.

To learn more about the American Red Cross of Orange County, visit **redcross.org/SoCal**.



# Help Can't Wait DURING EMERGENCIES

We invite you and others to join the American Red Cross mission by volunteering, giving blood, learning lifesaving skills or making a financial donation. Your support helps ensure families don't face emergencies alone.

Volunteer, Give Blood, Donate, Take a Class.

Visit redcross.org/SoCal or call 1-800-RED CROSS to learn more.







### A Commitment to Philanthropy within Great Park Neighborhoods and Beyond

California has a rich history of innovators and trailblazers. The list of inspiring industries and brilliant minds living and working in Orange County is extensive.

The entrepreneurial spirit and next-level thinking are also evident in our county's nonprofits. They selflessly devote time, talents and resources to improve people's lives and create a better future for all.

As an owner and developer of large mixed-use communities in California, FivePoint aspires to create equitable, inclusive and sustainable communities of the

Our community-building mission began in Irvine in 2013 with Great Park Neighborhoods, where people of different ages, incomes, and walks of life have spaces and opportunities to connect, create memories and experience life to the fullest.



To enhance the quality of life in Irvine and across the county, FivePoint's joint venture (Heritage Fields El Toro LLC) actively supports nonprofits that provide essential "building blocks" of a thriving city. Below is a summary of key communitybuilding priorities and how they align with our philanthropic activities:

### Education

With strong public education being foundational to each community it creates, FivePoint is a longtime collaborator with Irvine Unified School District (IUSD) and fundraising programs initiated by nonprofits that serve its 44 schools such as Irvine Public Schools Foundation (IPSF), Irvine Children's Fund and PTA's in Great Park Neighborhoods.

FivePoint's joint venture designed and funded the construction of Beacon Park School, Cadence Park School, and Solis Park School K-8s (which debuted in 2016, 2018 and 2022, respectively), and provided land for the 2016 opening of Portola High in partnership with IUSD and The Irvine Company. All four schools are located at Great Park Neighborhoods.

FivePoint's joint venture has also been a major contributor to the IPSF-led CubeSat STEM Program and its annual fundraising gala since its inception.

### Affordable Housing

Having access to a home to call your own is foundational to the American Dream. It may also be the biggest threat to Orange County maintaining its relevance if housing becomes less available, attainable, or affordable. FivePoint's joint venture has funded the construction of five affordable housing communities with Related California, Riverside Charitable Corporation and ETHIC Housing Trust - three for low-income seniors and two for families – in Great Park Neighborhoods (approximately 60% of the planned 1,056 affordable units are now operational).

FivePoint's joint venture also contributes funds to affordable housing initiatives led by nonprofits Orange County Community Housing Corporation and Irvine-based Families Forward.

### Wellness

Wellness comes in many forms: access to best-in-class medical care, sports and recreation, trails, open space, live music, and living in a safe community.

With a shared goal of bringing compassionate care, pioneering research and lifesaving therapies to Irvine, FivePoint first invited City of Hope Orange County to become a cornerstone of the four-building FivePoint Gateway campus in 2018.

The result was the August opening of the 190,000 square-foot City of Hope Orange County Lennar Foundation Cancer Center. City of Hope also broke ground on a hospital exclusively focused on treating and curing cancer, which plans to open adjacent to the cancer center in 2025. By extension, FivePoint proudly supports annual fundraisers hosted by City of Hope.

### **Sports and Recreation**

The extricable link between sports and recreation opportunities and overall wellbeing is on display at the nearly 200-acre multi-sports complex at Irvine's Great Park. Built and funded for approximately \$250 million by FivePoint's joint venture through its public-private partnership with the City of Irvine, the city-owned complex features baseball and softball fields, soccer/lacrosse fields, volleyball courts, tennis courts, basketball courts and other features.

Adjacent to the sports complex is Great Park Ice, a 280,000-square-foot facility featuring four ice rinks - including the 2,500-seat FivePoint Arena. The public ice facility also serves as a training hub for U.S. Figure Skating athletes and Orange County's professional hockey team, the Anaheim Ducks. FivePoint is a founding partner for the \$110 million facility, which was funded by the Irvine Ice Foundation established by Anaheim Ducks' owners Henry and Susan Samueli.



To support residents' overall wellness and Irvine's multi-year designation as the safest city in the nation, FivePoint also routinely contributes to fundraisers supporting the Irvine Police Department and Orange County firefighters.

### Innovation and Technology

Finding partners that share our passion for attracting world-class talent is essential to keeping innovative businesses in Orange County, particularly in Irvine.

FivePoint's joint venture is a major contributor of technology accelerator Octane and its mission to bring 88,000 tech and life science jobs to the region by 2030.

As a primary sponsor and active participant of the Orange County Business Council and Greater Irvine Chamber of Commerce, FivePoint is also passionate about ensuring that today's workforce and future generations stay and prosper in Orange County.

### **Environmental and Agricultural Stewardship**

To be effective stewards of the land and live sustainably for the future, FivePoint is collaborating with nonprofits to protect natural resources and preserve its agricultural history.

In collaboration with nonprofit Laguna Greenbelt and other environmental organizations, FivePoint's joint venture has completed grading, planting, landscaping, irrigation, fencing and crossings in and around a 2.5-mile portion of a 6-mile wildlife corridor within Great Park Neighborhoods – encouraging biodiversity and providing a vital connection point for wildlife to migrate between the Santa Ana Mountains and Orange County coastline.

FivePoint's joint venture also has a longstanding history in supporting Second Harvest Food Bank and Solutions for Urban Agriculture (SFUA), two organizations dedicated to equitable food distribution and agricultural resiliency. SFUA's founder, A.G. Kawamura, is also the owner of Orange County Produce, a family-run business that is producing fruits and vegetables within the Great Park with a sustainable commitment to the land, environment, and community.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2022

# Doug DeCinces and Bobby Grich Host the 43rd Annual Don Baylor 65 Roses Memorial Classic on behalf of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

Co-Chairs Doug DeCinces and Bobby Grich return to host the 43<sup>rd</sup> annual Don Baylor 65 Roses Memorial Classic at Strawberry Farms Golf Club in Irvine, California on Sunday, September 18, 2022. The golf tournament began in 1978 by founder and former Angels Baseball player, Don Baylor. In 2017, the event was renamed to honor Baylor, and former teammates, DeCinces and Grich stepped into the co-chair positions, to continue the decades of work and determination to cure cystic fibrosis.

To date, the event has raised over \$8 million for cystic fibrosis research and care. Cystic fibrosis is a progressive, genetic disease that affects the lungs, pancreas, and other organs, limiting the ability to breathe over time.

At this year's event, the day will begin with the annual golf tournament, packed with exciting experiences and the much-anticipated Lexus Hole-in-One, with the opportunity to win a new Lexus vehicle, courtesy of Newport and Tustin Lexus.

Immediately following the golf tournament, will be a hosted cocktail party and packed silent auction. Guests will then enjoy an outdoor dinner with a live program, including exciting scientific research updates, and an exhilarating live auction! Guests will have the opportunity to bid on some amazing travel packages, elite sports events, the famous Lexus Champions for Charity Golf Tournament at Pebble Beach, a private tour of the Ronald Reagan Library with President Reagan's son Michael Reagan, and much more!



This year's event will conclude with an outdoor concert performed by Kenny Metcalf and the "Elton the Early Years" band as they recreate the Grammy legends favorite hits!

To purchase tickets or sponsorship opportunities please visit, https://events.cff.org/DonBaylor65Roses.
To learn more about the Don Baylor 65 Roses Memorial Classic please contact Stephanie Chavez at schavez@cff.org or 714-938-1393.

### About the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

The mission of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation is to cure cystic fibrosis and to provide all people with CF the opportunity to lead long, fulfilling lives by funding research and drug development, partnering with the CF community, and advancing high-quality, specialized care. The Cystic

Fibrosis Foundation is the world's leader in the search for a cure for cystic fibrosis. The Foundation funds more CF research than any other organization, and nearly every CF drug available today was made possible because of Foundation support. Based in Bethesda, Md., the Foundation also supports and accredits a national care center network that has been recognized by the National Institutes of Health as a model of care for a chronic disease. To advance its mission in finding a cure for all people living with cystic fibrosis, the CF Foundation launched its \$500 million Path to a Cure initiative. This ambitious research agenda aims to accelerate the next generation of transformative CF therapies and deliver a treatment for every person with CF. The CF Foundation is a donor-supported nonprofit organization. For more information, visit cff.org.





### Meet Wish Kid Cole

Cole's fight against a brain tumor is not only physically exhausting – it's emotionally traumatic. Cole has always been fascinated by sharks and environmental conservation. In his quest for hands-on learning, Cole wished to be a marine biologist! He traveled from Corona to visit a research center in Florida to learn from scientists protecting and studying sharks.

With the help of our supporters, Cole was able to measure sharks, take sample and, most importantly, gain hope during his wish trip! Hope is found in a wish – and you have the power to create it for children in Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties, just like Cole.

Together, we create life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses.

WISHES NEED YOU!

DONATE AT WISH.ORG/OCIE





At Make-A-Wish Orange County and the Inland Empire, our mission is to grant life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses in Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

#### WHY A WISH?

Every 20 minutes, a child is diagnosed with a critical illness. In the midst of a worldwide health crisis, a family in your community also hears the devastating news that their child has been diagnosed with a critical illness. Hospital stays, doctor visits and treatments mean their lives will never be the same. With COVID-19, new health worries are also present bringing added isolation and vulnerability for Wish kids and their families.

Wish kids are some of the strongest and most resilient people in our communities. From a very young age, they have been forced to deal with adversity, take challenges head-on, and make sacrifices no child should ever have to consider. For these children, life looks different, including time in and out of hospitals, increased isolation and vulnerability when they can't go to school and be with friends, and treatment plans that limit their ability to play and feel strong.

Since its inception, Make-A-Wish has understood that when a wish is granted, a child replaces fear with confidence, sadness with joy and anxiety with hope. We believe that every child deserves a childhood and that now, more than ever, children with critical illnesses and their families need hope.



of wish parents believe the wish experience gave their child a better chance of surviving their critical illness.



95%

of wish alumni said their wish improved their well-being.



90%

of medical providers said they have observed children increasing their compliance with treatment after learning they would receive a wish.

Source: Make-A-Wish 2022 Wish Impact Study (Rounded Figures)

#### WISH EMERGENCE...

Over the past two years, our wish granting program has been significantly impacted by COVID-19, as over 70% of the wishes we grant involve some form of public transportation and/or large gatherings. Given the health concerns for our immuno-compromised families, many wishes were put on hold during the pandemic. Currently we have 537 critically ill children waiting for their wish - some due to health, some to timing and most of all, funding. We continue to keep the health and safety of wish kids and families as our top priority, and as we continue to emerge from the pandemic and grant the unprecedented number of wishes waiting, we need to raise the funds to ensure no child waits even one unnecessary day for their wish to be granted.

#### DON'T WAIT FOR HOPE...CREATE IT!

With YOUR support, Make-A-Wish is committed to ensuring that no child waits even one unnecessary day to experience the hope and joy that a wish brings. Make-A-Wish is seeking your support to help us:

- 1. **Volunteer.** Grant more wishes and decrease the number of children waiting for their wish.
- 2. **Donate resources.** Reduce the amount of time a child waits for their wish to be granted.
- 3. **Donate funds.** Bring hope and joy to waiting Wish kids who are isolated and vulnerable.

You can bring hope for today - and tomorrow.

To learn more how you can support local wishes, visit our website at wish.org/ocie.



#### **Finding the Right Words**

Hardship often takes the words right out of our mouths. This is especially true when someone we care about receives a terminal diagnosis. It can be a daunting and emotional time for everyone involved, and our best intentions can easily be clouded by our own emotions.

It's natural to both want to be supportive and to feel stuck because we don't know what that looks like. Should we give our friend space? Should we talk about it? Should we lift their spirits? Should we pray? Many people shy away from the person who is dying because they don't know how to deal with the emotions involved, fear of saying the wrong thing, or are afraid of what's to come.



But often, the person who is dying understands their diagnosis and wants to feel comfort and support. They want to feel heard, have their feelings validated, and may want to make amends for things that have happened in the past.

You can use this guide to help you find supportive words that feel right for you and the person you are standing beside. By meeting the person with responses you feel good about, you will feel supported as well.

**Listen Actively.** Some people who have a terminal diagnosis like to discuss their memories, hopes and dreams, or even regrets. It's okay if you don't have answers or solutions. Simply listening attentively, with understanding and compassion, can provide a great deal of comfort and peace. It can be helpful to validate their feelings by mirroring their experience or saying, "That sounds difficult. I'm so sorry you experienced this." This can be followed with words of assurance.

**Everyone is unique** and so are people's responses to dying. Some people with a terminal diagnosis prefer to be near their loved ones in quiet solitude. In this instance, we can show support simply by being present, such as sitting next to their bed and providing a light touch of the hand. If you are unsure of what to do, ask how you can best support the person in that moment.

**People and Health are Dynamic.** When someone experiences a health crisis, their needs and feelings may change as their health changes. If someone does not want to talk or receive help at first, later on, they might welcome your outreach. Check in every so often to see what works best for them at the time.

**Small Gestures. Big Impact.** It's not uncommon for family, friends, and colleagues to live thousands of miles apart. A phone call, card, text, or flowers can make a world of difference.

**Every Day Has Meaning.** For many, receiving a terminal diagnosis invigorates a desire to live each day fully. This looks different for every person. For some, this may mean reading books, while for others it might mean meeting a life goal or reconnecting with family. Every moment matters. These moments add up to a life filled with beauty and purpose. It can be wonderful to be a partner in supporting this positive thinking and action.

If they are unresponsive, it's not too late to say what you want to say. Hearing is thought to be the last sense remaining, so don't be afraid to talk. Keep in mind that the person can likely still hear you, even if they appear to be in a deep

sleep, so be mindful of what you say to others while in the person's presence.

Saying nothing at all is okay too. Sometimes being still and in the moment is enough. Each situation is different because each person is different.

**Reminiscence.** Talk about memories and accomplishments. Share memories of joyous occasions. Start the conversation with, "Remember when ..."

**Help make a memory book.** Include photos, letters, cards, memorabilia, life lessons, favorite maxims, and prayers. It can be as simple as creating a one-page document.

**Say I love you.** If the dying person is a loved one, and it's appropriate, remind them that they are loved. We all need to feel loved.

**Thank the person** for allowing you to be there, for past things, for their contributions to the world.

Offer and ask for forgiveness. If the person has hurt you, offer forgiveness. Letting go of past hurts provides closure and helps with a more peaceful passing. In the same way, if you have hurt the person, say you're sorry.

**Ask questions.** Is there something more they want to discuss that hasn't been discussed? Is there something more they would like to have done? Do they have a final wish?

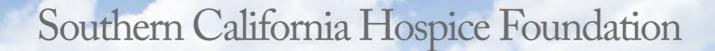


There are many ways to communicate and show compassion to a person living with a terminal diagnosis. It's important to be yourself, be available, reach out, and remember that each small gesture makes a world of difference. This can be a difficult time, and it can also be a time of connecting and making memories that you cherish.

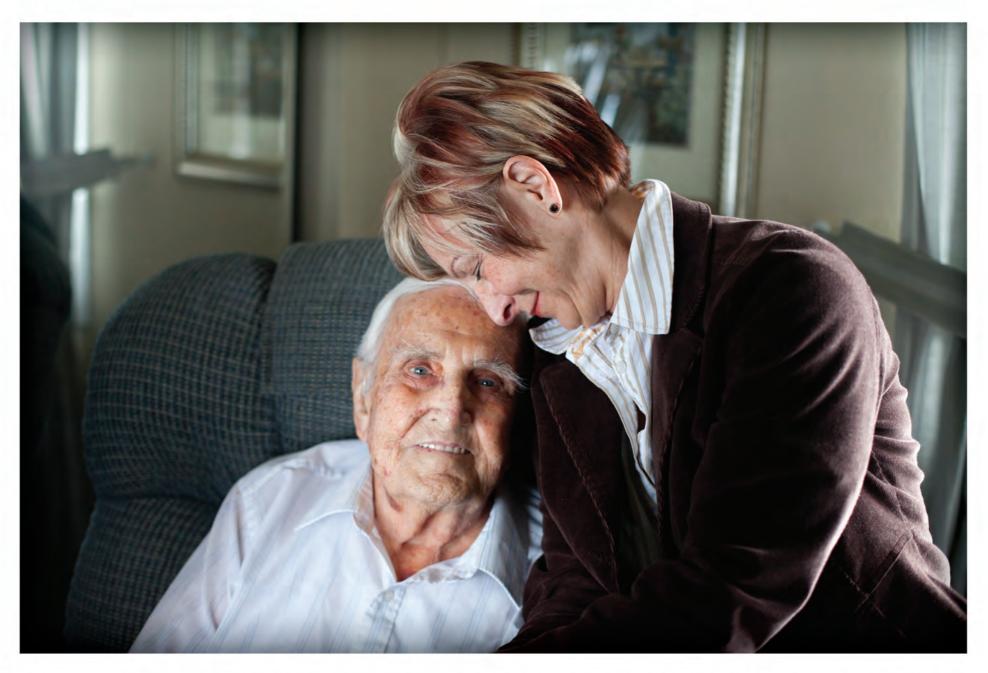
The Southern California Hospice Foundation is here to help. For twenty years, we have served over 7,000 terminally ill patients in Southern California, addressing needs not met by medical insurances or the hospice benefit. We provide:

- Angel Assistance. Through this program, we provide basic needs and grant fabulous wishes, which have included providing food or paying utility bills, helping patients fulfill their lifetime goals, meet their favorite celebrities, and make lasting special memories with loved ones.
- Bereavement Support to help loved ones through the grieving process.
- Community Outreach and speaking engagements
- We Honor Vets, a program that honors our courageous veterans with special ceremonies and awards
- The Heavenly Home is Orange County's first nonprofit end-of-life facility designed to provide 24-hour care in a beautiful home-like setting. We are in the process of preparing to open and hiring staff. This will fill the housing gap in Southern California for hospice patients who need 24-hour care.

Visit us at socalhospicefoundation.org or email our Executive Director, Michelle Wulfestieg at Michelle@socalhospicefoundation.org to learn more about our mission and the ways we can help serve you.



# Helping to make each moment count



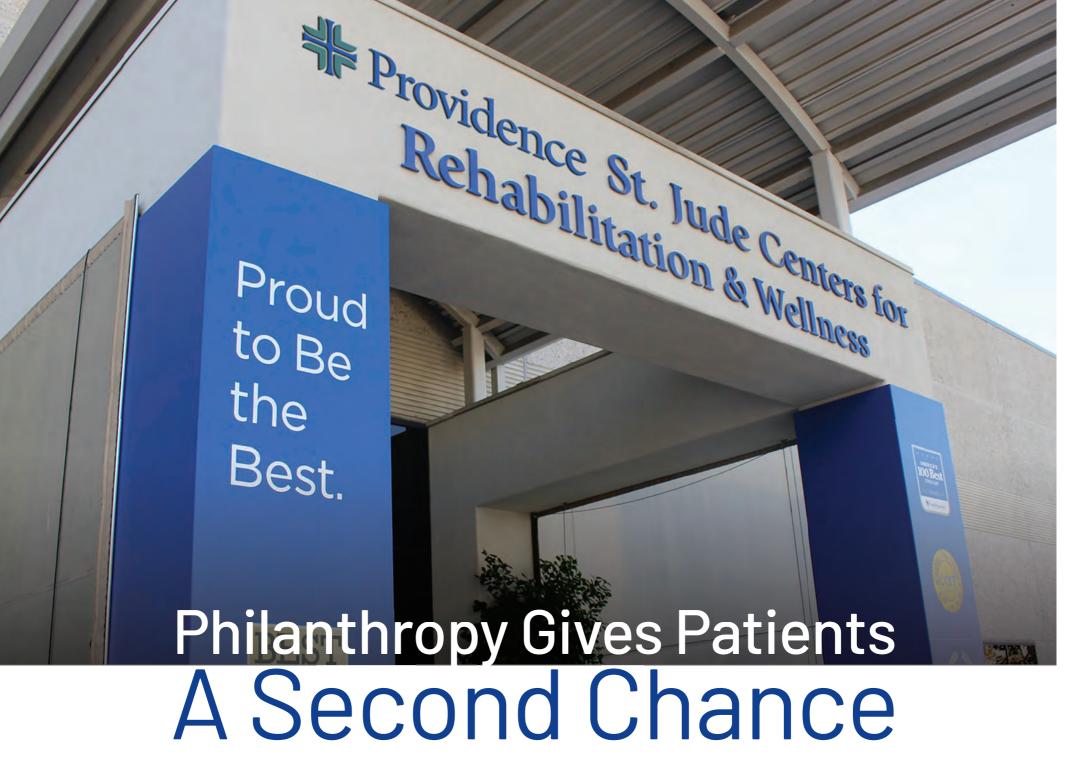
he Southern California Hospice Foundation is here to help. For 20 years, we have served over 7,000 dying patients in Southern California, answering the vast social and economic needs of our community's terminally ill children and adults. Hospice prioritizes the wishes of the patient and family with the holistic treatment of the body, spirit, and mind by providing physical, spiritual and emotional support. Our organization partners with hospice teams to fill the gaps that reach beyond the scope of the hospice benefit, allowing patients and their friends and families the opportunity to make lasting memories – and to make each moment count.





#### **Southern California Hospice Foundation**

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Providence St. Jude Medical Center's rehabilitation program nationally ranked

Thanks to the continuous commitment of our rehabilitation team and philanthropic community, Providence St. Jude Center of Rehabilitation and Wellness (CRW) was once again ranked by *U.S. News and World Report* as one of the 40 best programs in the country.

This prestigious accomplishment reflects the extraordinary success of Providence St. Jude Medical Center's inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation programs in rebuilding lives. This achievement also demonstrates how the community's support has helped the program reach new heights.

As one of the few comprehensive rehabilitation programs to offer a full range of services in Orange County, the CRW is uniquely qualified to meet the needs of inpatients and outpatients who have suffered a brain injury, stroke, spinal cord injury or other neurological disorders. Its programs have been continually certified by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities for its comprehensive continuum of care since 1972.

Philanthropic support of rehabilitation's vision for growth has benefited thousands of patients, especially within our spinal cord injury (SCI) program. Last year, the CRW acquired the ZeroG Gait and Balance System through philanthropic support, and became Orange County's only comprehensive facility to offer this advanced technology.

ZeroG Gait and Balance System offers fall recovery training for SCI individuals who are primary wheelchair users, resulting in higher patient outcomes and safeguards for our rehabilitation therapists while helping patients.

Located only six miles from the medical center, the CRW is a 6,000-square-foot facility equipped with three therapeutic indoor pools, a full spectrum gym and wellness community center led by a team of by specialized physical and occupational therapists, neuropsychologists and certified rehabilitation nurses.

For more information on supporting Providence St. Jude Medical Center, visit stjudememorialfoundation.org.







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#### Inflation May Be Dipping but It's Still Hurting Orange County Families

Community Action Partnership Orange County (CAP OC) was born out of the "War on Poverty" in 1965 as part of a nationwide network of Community Action Agencies. For over half a century, CAP OC has addressed the immediate needs of its communities through food and basic elements of survival, but it's so much more than that. CAP OC empowers communities through education, advocacy, coaching and guiding toward pathways out of poverty. By tackling the systemic inequities that fuel poverty, the organization is actively working to eradicate it.

For the first time in nearly 40 years, inflation was at an all-time high, peaking at 9.1% in June. Although it has decreased slightly to 8.5% and we hear talk that it's going to get better – it continues to have a lasting impact on those experiencing poverty.

The cost of rent rose 0.5% in July and was up 5.7% over the last 12 months. Throw in an unexpected medical bill or job loss, and the impact of this high cost of living can easily force families to choose between food on the table or keeping a roof over their head.

Orange County is known as a region of great wealth, yet poverty is prevalent. In fact, 50,919 families (8.92%) are currently living in poverty. Many living in poverty work in jobs that don't pay above the poverty line, living paycheck to paycheck and relying on CAP OC's services to get by.

That's where CAP OC comes in.

#### **CAP OC Serves All 34 Cities In Orange County**

CAP OC exists to end poverty by stabilizing, sustaining and empowering people with the resources they need when they need them. We eradicate the root causes of poverty, advocating for equality in healthcare, racial justice, education, and employment by creating various programs and services to empower communities.

Our programs for income-qualified participants include an in-depth five-week financial empowerment course, workforce development, as well as youth and STEM programs. Through education and youth empowerment, we help young people gain the knowledge and confidence to shape their own futures.

CAP OC's family resource centers focus on a two-generational Whole Family Approach, which simultaneously integrates child development with workforce and family development. Located in Anaheim, and Orange, these centers are key to addressing the root inequities that cause and perpetuate poverty, in hopes of accomplishing lasting change for generations. Southwest Community Center in Santa Ana provides daily hot meals and wraparound services to help individuals get on their feet.

We assist and educate qualified low-income families and individuals in weatherizing their homes to save energy and money through our Healthy Homes program.

Our Healthy Communities initiative empowers people to participate in activities that encourage and benefit long-term health through nutrition education, physical activity promotion, and substance abuse prevention.

Additionally, CAP OC improves the overall well-being for low-income parents and children by empowering couples to learn positive communication skills, which help build healthy families and communities. We do this through employment training and father involvement, among other programs.

#### Addressing Immediate Needs for Those in Crisis

CAP OC offers food and rental assistance, as well as homelessness prevention. One of the ways we do this is through our OC Food Bank, which unites communities to end hunger and malnutrition by partnering with nearly 300 local charities, soup kitchens, and community organizations to serve low-income families and individuals. Since the beginning of the year, we have provided over 13 million pounds of food to Orange County residents.

Weekly, we distribute approximately 540,000 pounds of food, largely based on the amount of food available for distribution. Global supply chain issues paired with labor shortages and recent inflation limits the surplus of food that can be



donated to food banks. Because of this, we've had to purchase more food to meet demand in our community, and an estimated \$500,000 is needed each month to do that.

Approximately 50% of food distributed by the OC Food Bank is made possible through financial gifts. We've had to rework our business model to purchase staple food items that are available and affordable, but some items are either unavailable or we're priced out. Despite the challenges, CAP OC continues to serve our most vulnerable community members. Since January 2022, we have provided seniors with nearly 140,000 food boxes containing USDA commodities and purchased over 110,000 boxes with philanthropic gifts and grants.

We also operate the OC Diaper Bank; since we opened in March 2020, over 30 million diapers have been provided to families throughout the county.

Many families are facing eviction since the pandemic eviction moratorium ended. CAP OC has seen an overwhelming increase in need of rental and utility assistance as families attempt to pay back what they owe and manage the increased costs of household items. Since the beginning of the year, we have provided 5,900 applicants with utility assistance.

#### What's Next in Fighting Inflation and The Root Causes Of Poverty

It starts with teaching job skills and effective money management.

Workforce development and learning fiscal responsibility is the key to empowering and elevating people out of poverty. CAP OC's financial empowerment program teaches responsible money management, banking, budgeting, and creating successful credit habits. We also provide free tax preparation to ensure every person can successfully navigate tax season.

Something we're very proud of and are expanding within the next five years is our workforce development program. It plays a pivotal role in preparing adults and young people to enter the workforce by providing resiliency coaching, assistance with job placement, mentorship, supportive services such as food, clothing and transportation support in an effort to ensure those placed in jobs retain employment and thrive.

#### You Can Help End Poverty and Empower Communities

As our post-pandemic economy continues to evolve, CAP OC is looking to address some of the most pressing needs affecting every client we serve. We've conducted a comprehensive community needs assessment to understand the emerging and ongoing needs of low-income individuals and families in Orange County.

One of the essential functions of obtaining our goals to create vibrant communities by preventing and ending poverty is **YOU**! Donations are a key element to bring hope and resources to those who need help the most. Visit **capoc.org/donate** to support our mission today!

## COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP OF ORANGE COUNTY



ADDRESSING IMMEDIATE NEEDS.

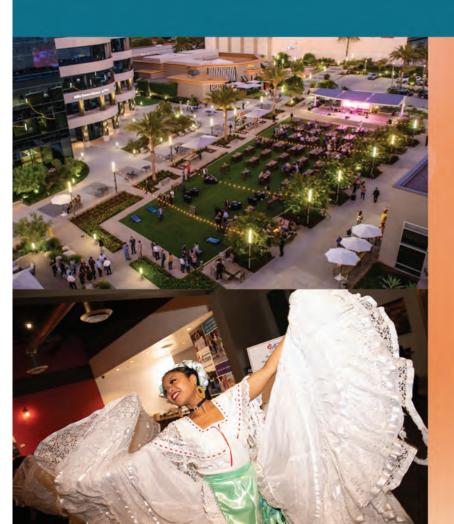
EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES.

Help support our mission of eradicating the root causes of poverty in Orange County with a tax-deductible donation today at capocarg.



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## PLEASE JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF HOPE

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2ND, 2022** 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

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## **CHOC** Foundation





#### Philanthropy Helps Advance Fetal Care in Southern California

**66** We can take care of almost any issue a baby may be

Naomi smiled as she watched her son, Jordan, playing nearby.

Seeing him today, no one could guess the news that shook his family's world a few short years ago: "We think there's something wrong with your baby's heart," a doctor told the expectant parents.

"That is," Naomi shared, "no doubt probably the scariest and most heartbreaking thing you'll ever go through as a parent. You ask, 'Why my baby?"

While pregnancy can be a joyous and defining moment for families, an unexpected diagnosis of a birth defect can fill that moment with fear. Heart defects, like Jordan's, are among the most common birth defects.

#### Donor support helps write a new chapter in fetal care

In Orange County, complex birth defects affect 1 to 3% of the 50,000 births each year—between 500 to1,500. The county's underserved communities remain most at-risk, with wait times to see some specialists lasting up to eight months—nearly the full term of a pregnancy.

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Southern California

Aided by philanthropic support, CHOC opened the Fetal Care Center of Southern California in 2021. This unique collaboration with UCI Health fills a need in the region by bringing together worldclass experts in both maternal-fetal medicine and pediatrics so both parents and baby are cared for in a single, patient-centered location.

"The Fetal Care Center of Southern California is for pregnant parents whose babies have serious birth defects that will need treatment after delivery—or in some cases even before delivery," said Dr. Peter Yu, a CHOC general surgeon and medical director of the Fetal Care Center. "Expectant parents can put all their burdens, anxiety and concerns on us. We can take care of almost any issue a baby may be facing—and we'll be with each family every step of the way."

Nearly a year after its launch, the Fetal Care Center has seen more than 700 families with diagnosed birth defects. This first-of-its-kind program in Southern California is distinguished by an approach that combines concierge-like comprehensive care with a multidisciplinary team of specialists. Families have a single point of contact—a fetal coordinator—who schedules everything for a onestop consultation. At the end of that day, expectant families receive customized care plans that help them better understand what to expect in the weeks and months ahead.

In addition to certain fetal interventions like amniocentesis, tube and shunt placement, transfusions and more (some taking place at UCI Health), the Fetal Care Center offers consultation, treatment planning and after-birth care. Its fetal diagnostic services include ultrafast fetal MRI and board-certified pediatric radiologists; fetal echocardiograms performed by board-certified pediatric cardiologists; fetal genetic testing; and fetal ultrasounds.

The full complement of specialties includes cardiology, genetics, maternal-fetal medicine, neonatology, neurology, neurosurgery, otolaryngology, orthopaedic

surgery, pediatric general and thoracic surgery, plastic surgery and urology.

The 2,200-square-foot Fetal Care Center features a spacious lobby and patient and family spaces set against soothing, spa-like aesthetics including warm wooden accents and sophisticated, vibrant artwork.

#### Philanthropy advances maternal-fetal care

A recent \$10-million transformational gift from the Argyros Family Foundation will help the Fetal Care Center expand, giving more families access to the highest level of specialized care. The gift will help position the center as a hub for groundbreaking research on fetal disorders.

"CHOC and UCI Health are committed to improving maternal and fetal health in Orange County and beyond. We are very grateful to the Argyros family for their extraordinary support, which will enable us to become one of the premier fetal programs in the United States," Dr. Yu said.

> George and Julia Argyros, and their daughter, Stephanie, have been longtime

volunteered at key signature events

benefitting the pediatric healthcare

CHOC supporters. The family's \$5 million

donation in 2012 was recognized by facing—and we'll be with each family every step of the naming CHOC's emergency department in their honor. That gift was followed five years later with \$2 million to grow neonatal services. In addition to their —Dr. Peter Yu, CHOC director, The Fetal Care Center of donations, Julia and Stephanie have

> system. Julia was an early cast member of the CHOC Follies, and Stephanie has served on the CHOC Foundation Board of Directors since 2011. She also has been an executive committee member, including serving as co-chair for the CHOC Gala, helping raise \$5 million for CHOC.

#### Doctors saved her son

Naomi credits CHOC for saving her son's life.

At 10 weeks old, Jordan had a nine-hour, open-heart surgery.

"He came back with his chest still open, just taped up, so they could go in and do more work," Naomi recalled. "We could see his little heart beating."

The impact of CHOC's work to benefit families like Jordan's is heartfelt for Dr. Yu, who said it's "so powerful to be able to help change the trajectory of a tiny life."

Today, Jordan is a very active seven-year-old and loves nothing more than learning and playing sports.

"He's joy, he's light, he's sunshine," Naomi said. "And he loves his doctors and gives them hugs. He knows the doctors saved his life."

CHOC invites you to join The Argyros Family Foundation in being a defender of childhood by making a pledge of support for the future health of Orange County's children. Learn more at foundation.choc.org.

# Thank you, Argyros Family Foundation

Your \$10 million transformational gift will bring peace of mind to expectant parents facing difficult fetal diagnoses. Your generosity will give more families access to the highest levels of specialized care in a compassionate environment close to home. Thank you for helping us give families and their babies the best chance at a healthy life.





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#### A JOB FOR EVERY ABILITY.

#### Goodwill of Orange County Believes in the Power of Work



Goodwill of Orange County has been a part of the fabric of the Orange County community for nearly 100 years. In that time, Goodwill has changed hundreds of thousands of lives through its Workforce Development programs, helped many on their pathway to greater independence, sold millions of thrifted items, revolutionized online thrift shopping, and much more.

As a nonprofit employment social enterprise, everything we do points back to our mission: helping

people who are facing barriers find and keep jobs, which provides purpose, pride and dignity.

When you shop at our stores, you are fueling that mission.

When you hire a Goodwill-trained employee, you are fueling that mission.

When you give to us financially, you are fueling that mission.

Our mission makes independence and sustainable employment a reality for the people we serve.

Our mission makes more Good possible.

#### We can't do it without you.

We know that together, with meaningful partnerships with businesses, foundations, philanthropic donors and local leaders, we can empower more individuals on their road to employment.

Join us in this work.

**SEE MORE GOOD.** Scan the QR code to read our 2021 Annual Report and learn more about the impact we made together last year.







#### Hire Goodwill-trained program participants.

Goodwill of Orange County has nearly a century of experience matching the needs of Orange County employers with employees who are ready to work. We have qualified, eager candidates ready to help you reach your business goals.

By hiring from Goodwill of Orange County, you are giving individuals with disabilities and other barriers the opportunity to build a career, find purpose, pride and dignity, and reach their full potential.

For our program participants, employment in our community gives them much more than just a paycheck. For many, it's the first time they are being seen for what they can do, not what they can't. They are truly joyful to do the job to the best of their abilities every day—and that kind of positivity can easily transfer to the rest of your team members!



#### Make a financial contribution to support our mission.

In 2021, Goodwill of Orange County served more than 19,000 individuals and provided 340,000 hours of job coaching. As a leader in Workforce Development, our mission helps find individuals of all abilities a sustainable path to great careers and greater independence. By giving financially, you are directly impacting thousands of lives right here in Orange County.



#### Shop or donate at our local stores or online at ShopGoodwill.com.

Our mission is fueled by donations and purchases at our collection of 23 local thrift stores and our online store, ShopGoodwill.com. We remain accountable stewards of your donations and Goodwill purchases, and 94 cents of every dollar we spend goes directly into our programs and services.



#### Attend a See The Good Tour.

Knowledge is power. Join us for an inside look at our mission, the people we serve and the power of work. Invite friends and your network to join and help us get more people in on the good. To RSVP for an upcoming tour, email communitydevelopment@ocgoodwill.org.

#### **OUR IMPACT IN ACTION**



19,736

people served by Goodwill programs and services



340,600+

hours of job coaching provided to help develop skills and build confidence



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people placed into sustainable employment



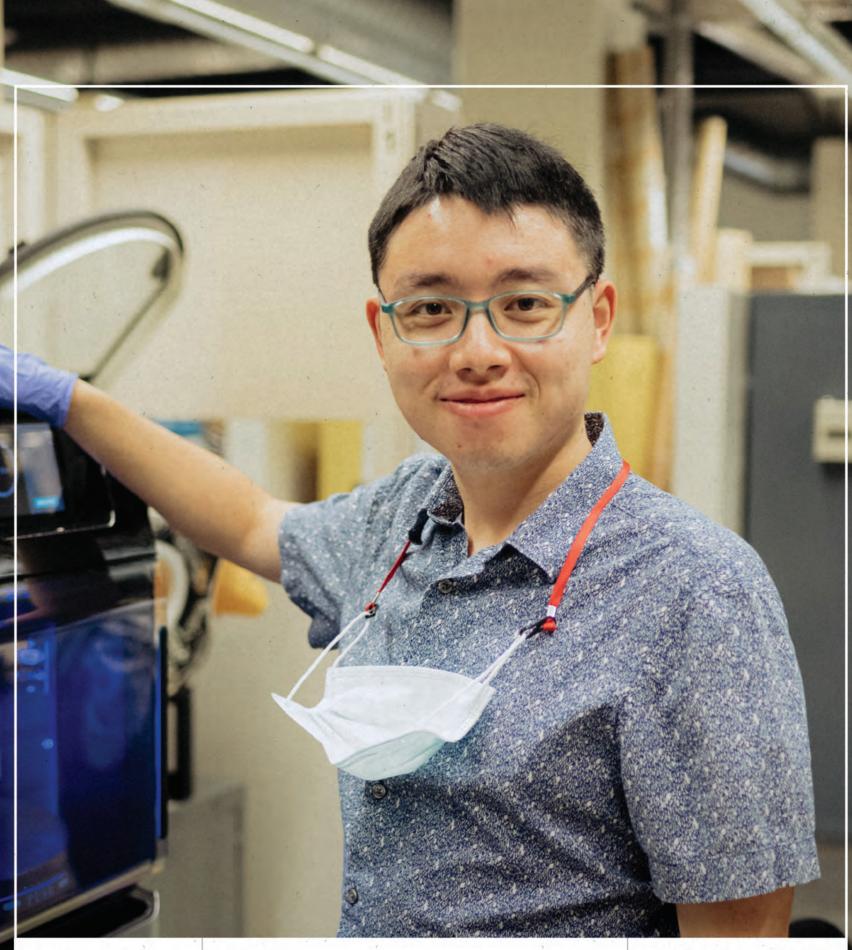
\$2.1 million+

earned by individuals employed with Goodwill's help



50 million+

pounds of goods diverted from local landfills



NAME

Pei-Hsien

TITLE

Lab Assistant Intern

CASE NO.

> Ready to learn, ready to work. Goodwill matched Pei-Hsien with an internship at Edwards Lifesciences where he is cultivating new skills in a surgical research & development lab on his path to a successful career.

Goodwill of Orange County helps people who are facing barriers find and keep jobs.

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MORE THAN A THRIFT STORE Goodwill is a leader in Workforce Development, partnering with local employers like Edwards Lifesciences to provide sustainable job opportunities. Learn more at **ocgoodwill.org.** 



# The Impact of Valiant Women at Providence Mission Hospital

To learn how you can support Providence Mission Hospital, visit supportmissionhospital.org or call 949-364-7783



Foundation

Since its formation in 1994, fundraising support group, Valiant Women, has raised nearly \$8 million in support of advancing women's health and nursing at Providence Mission Hospital.

Consisting of 50 annual members, their commitment to ensuring community members receive the highest quality of care has impacted thousands of women across south Orange County. In addition, the Valiant Women Nursing Scholarship and Endowment has provided \$400,000 towards advancing nursing leadership at Providence Mission Hospital.

Providence Mission Hospital Foundation is deeply grateful for all the past accomplishments of the Valiant Women's support group and for its ongoing partnership and dedication to helping us meet the needs of our community.

#### **Supporting Providence Mission Hospital's**

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## Advancing women's health at Providence Mission Hospital

Valiant Women Luncheon and Fashion Show 2022 Presented by The Shops at Mission Viejo



#### Friday, October 7, 2022

Arroyo Trabuco Golf Club, 26772 Avery Pkwy., Mission Viejo, 92692

\$200 per person

Featuring Providence Mission Hospital physicians and nurses as the runway models.

Register now at

supportmissionhospital.org/vw2022

THINK PINK Breast Health Wall of Honor Events
Presented by The Shops at Mission Viejo



#### October 1 ~ 31, 2022

The Shops at Mission Viejo 555 The Shops Blvd., Mission Viejo, 92691

View the schedule of events at supportmissionhospital.org/wallofhonor.





## Olive Crest Business Partners Because Preventing Child Abuse is Everyone's Business





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Olive Crest Academy (K-12)





Right now, too many children are being abused and neglected. In Orange County, there are over 3,000 children in the foster care system. Every year, about 23,000 foster youth "age out" of the child welfare system in the United States when they turn 18, and 60% of them will become homeless within the same year. These numbers are staggering and are continuing to increase.

For almost 50 years, Olive Crest has demonstrated an extraordinary record of service, unrelenting in our commitment and dedication to help abused and neglected children and broken families. From the first 4 abused girls we helped in 1973, Olive Crest today has grown to serve 4,000 children and families each day.

"Our many innovative programs reflect our conviction that strengthening the family is one of the most powerful ways to help heal children," said Kerri Dunkelberger, Executive Director of Olive Crest in Orange County. "Our 99% stability rate is a testament to the unwavering commitment that the Olive Crest family extends to the children and families we serve, even after they have graduated from our programs."

Take Andrew's story for example. At the age of 14 he was in a gang and addicted to methamphetamine. He felt trapped in a cycle of abuse and abandonment.

By age 18, Andrew was homeless. Living on the streets was a rough experience and included anything he could think of to survive. He remembers stealing food, spending restless nights "sleeping" on chairs inside laundromats, and stealing cars when he ran out of options.

This would have ended tragically for Andrew, as it does for thousands of children, if it wasn't for an unlikely recommendation. While incarcerated, Andrew was introduced to Olive Crest.

When asked what he wants to do someday, Andrew laughs and says, "I want to chase something bigger, get paid for the work I put in. I know I have charisma and am a natural leader, and so, I want to chase deals, and make it on my own." Then after a moment of quiet reflection he added earnestly "... and help people, people like me who have no hope."

"I could talk to you all day about what Olive Crest has done for me," said Andrew. "They've taught me to mature and become a man, and to care about being a leader. I thought I would be on my own when I 'aged out' of the system, but they gave me the opportunity to get a place of my own and grow a savings account. I've been running my whole life; now I feel like I can finally stop running."

Olive Crest CEO Donald Verleur has witnessed countless transformations like Andrew's. "While we're proud to have had the privilege of serving over 200,000 children and families, there's more work to be done," said Verleur. "With your support, we plan to serve 1.2 million children and families by 2030. Will you join us to break the cycle of child abuse and enable at risk youth and families to become healthy, productive citizens in our community?"

For more information, call 800.550.CHILD (2445) or visit www,olivecrest.org

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Strong Families, Safe Kids



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## Three-Time Cancer Survivor Empowered by Hoag.

Hoag's generous donor community has long been committed to providing patients at the Hoag Family Cancer Institute with high-quality, compassionate care. Grateful patient Laurie Paolone, diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in 2019, is proof of all philanthropy is accomplishing at Hoag—from nurse navigation to cutting-edge cancer therapies and state-of-the-art technology. Thanks to these donor-funded initiatives and Hoag's expert physicians, Laurie is now cancer-free for the third time.

In February 2019, Laurie had what she thought was food poisoning. A few weeks later, when her symptoms still hadn't subsided and her skin was beginning to yellow, she drove straight to Hoag's emergency department. Several tests later, a Hoag physician held her hand and told her the bad news. "I'm so sorry, you have pancreatic cancer," he said.

At that moment, with her parents standing at the foot of her bed, Laurie's world stopped. Hoag's team quickly sprang into action, with world-class oncologist Dr. Tara Seery at the helm. Dr. Seery, whom Laurie affectionally refers to as her five-star general, put together an aggressive treatment plan, including multiple rounds of chemotherapy. The plan worked. Laurie was in remission for one year. "Dr. Seery was godsent," said Laurie. "She's in charge of everything, and I put my trust in her 100%."

Unfortunately, Laurie's cancer returned, involving her stomach and liver. Thanks to donors Gerda and Dean Koontz, Laurie was one of the first patients at Hoag to have access to the ViewRay MRIdian® linear accelerator, a new advancement in radiation treatment. Once again, Laurie was in remission.

For her third battle with cancer, which returned again in her liver, Laurie partnered with Dr. Seery on a new plan. "Patients have many treatment options at Hoag," said Laurie, who was able to undergo a type of chemotherapy that did not cause her to lose her hair. Through it all, Laurie has sung the praises of her nurses at Hoag and the support services that have helped her through the mental and emotional anguish of a cancer diagnosis and treatment. "I love the nurses at Hoag. I've truly felt cared for," Laurie said.

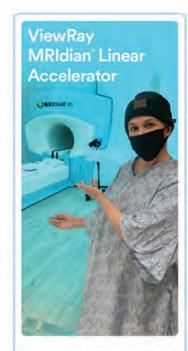
Laurie's care team credits her infectious fighting spirit to her success beating cancer for a third time. "I've been boxing for over 20 years. I've been punched in the nose, kicked in the throat and punched in the stomach, but nothing has hit me harder than the word 'cancer.' But I have to get up and push through it," said Laurie.

The Hoag Family Cancer Institute, in partnership with the community, is customizing cancer care through tumor genetic testing, targeted therapies and access to innovative new clinical trials. Bringing new technologies to Hoag is allowing the cancer team to identify cancer earlier, advance standards of care

and personalize post-treatment surveillance to monitor recurrence. Laurie is one of many patients to be positively impacted by Hoag's dedication to leading cancer care into the future. Today, she's celebrating every moment and happy to share her story with the hope it inspires others.

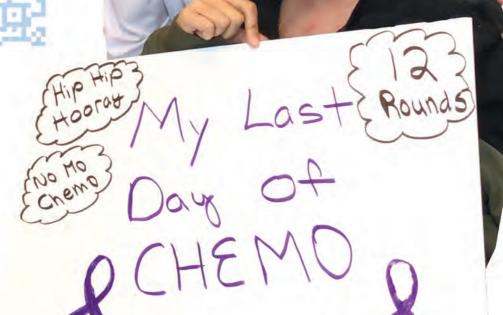
Watch Laurie's story:





As one of the first centers in the United States to install a ViewRay MRIdian\* Linear Accelerator, Hoag is crossing new frontiers in radiation therapy and treating areas of disease never before imaginable while improving survival rates and reducing side effects.





#### Taking Care of One Another. That's The OC Way.

When our community thrives, we all benefit. That is why Orange County United Way is committed to improving the lives of everyone who lives here while empowering those who are most vulnerable. We believe that Orange County is stronger when we are united, when we support one another, and when we step up to help those in need. That's The OC Way.

Each year, we touch the lives of 1 in 4 of our residents. With your support, we can help even more of our neighbors. Join us in our efforts to ensure local students succeed, struggling OC families gain financial security, and our homeless neighbors find a place to call home.

At Orange County United Way, we are working to improve local lives and we put our mission into action through three key initiatives that address the critical issues facing our community:



### **Ending homelessness in Orange County for good!**



"United Way has been a wave of opportunity for me to restart my life."

—Howard, Veteran, WelcomeHomeOC Housing Beneficiary



See how United Way supported Howard's journey.



## Empowering OC families to get on the path from surviving to thriving!



"The worst thing can happen. But you can get on your feet again."

—Yeni, SparkPoint OC Financial Wellness Program Participant



See how United Way helped Yeni support her family

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## Ensuring all OC students graduate prepared for college, career and beyond!



"The e-Mentoring Program helped me to keep going and not give up."

—Isabel, e-Mentoring Program Graduate



See how United Way supported Isabel's academic goals.



We're caring for our community #TheOCWay—taking time to understand the issues facing our community, coming together to develop solutions, and making a difference for all of us who call Orange County home, including our neighbors who have fallen on hard times and need a helping hand. Everyone is welcome, and everyone has a role to play. **That's The OC Way.** 

#### Get Your Company Involved and Care For Our Community #TheOCWay

- Help our neighbors in need by setting up a workplace giving campaign.
- Engage employees in volunteer activities such as making blankets for our neighbors experiencing homelessness.
- Support local students through internships, site visits, mentoring, and more.
- Donate used technology to be refurbished and help reduce the digital divide in our community.
- And much more!

If your company is interested in getting involved and making a difference in Orange County, contact Livi Kerszenbaum, Senior Director, Corporate Social Responsibility at LiviK@UnitedWayOC.org or 949.263.6167.









## TAKING CARE OF ONE ANOTHER

Here at Orange County United Way, we are dedicated to ensuring local students succeed, struggling OC families gain financial security, and our homeless neighbors find a place to call home. We step up to actively address the critical issues facing our community and we go the extra mile to make sure OC residents have the support they need.

We genuinely care for one another. That's The OC Way.

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Breaking Barriers and Improving Lives in Orange County



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#### Fueling excellence in cancer care

Thanks to philanthropic support from the community, Providence St. Joseph Hospital has been delivering on its promise to provide world-class care in a compassionate environment. Philanthropy has funded various innovations throughout the years touching every aspect of care — from clinical programs and genetic research to nurse navigators and acquiring leading-edge technology.

We are eternally indebted to our *Dear Neighbors* who recognized the magnitude of having world-class cancer care available in their own backyard — and took action. Their gifts have empowered Providence St. Joseph Hospital to give its patients their best chance to heal and thrive.

#### Your support makes a difference

Help us keep world-class cancer care close to home for the Orange County community. A gift toward The Center for Cancer Prevention and Treatment will ensure every patient has the greatest chance for successful treatment, recovery and survival.



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#### Alzheimer's Orange County: Making an Impact for 40 Years

Alzheimer's disease—the most common form of dementia— is an irreversible, progressive brain disorder that slowly impairs memory and cognitive skills, and eventually the ability to carry out even the simplest tasks. Science still hasn't given a definitive answer to what causes it, but it is believed that multiple factors may contribute to the risk of developing the disease.

One thing is clear. Alzheimer's is creating an urgent need. Today 84,000 people in Orange County are living with Alzheimer's and many of the thousands that care for them do so alone or lack the proper support. The impact of the disease is projected to grow even more. According to estimates, the number of people living with Alzheimer's in California's most populous counties—including Orange County—will at least double between 2019 and 2040.

Behind those numbers are thousands of real people, real families dealing with healthcare, social, emotional, and financial challenges. Until there is a cure, Alzheimer's Orange County (AlzOC) provides support for those affected. We have been doing so for 40 years.

#### Humble beginnings. Unified purpose.

In 1982 a small group of women that knew firsthand the challenges of dementia saw a need and sought to fill it. Unified by their shared experiences of caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's and a common goal to bring relief and support to others like them they founded the nonprofit that would become AlzOC.

Their collective action quickly led to the establishment of key programs and services that started to make a difference. They organized support groups, shared educational information, and made referrals—all without a single paid staff member. Many people played an important role in developing these services and expanding the organization's impact early on.

#### Here every step of the way

As time has passed, the organization made strategic additions to its services, collaborated with community partners, and adapted to find new ways to provide desperately needed support for all stages of dementia and memory loss.

Our Helpline connects our community to trained experts to get personal guidance and support suited to each individual's needs. Our support groups bring people together to connect, share and find solutions. We offer classes that empower caregivers, families, professionals and others with essential knowledge and strategies at no cost. Our two Healthy Aging Centers help maintain your loved one's independence in a safe, engaging environment.

These along with many other services, have transformed AlzOC into a multifaceted independent nonprofit that serves as an experienced partner that walks hand in hand with the people we support. Last year we helped over 30,000 people, but we strive to do more knowing that what we offer can change lives.

#### A family disease

No one should have to face dementia alone but many people in our community don't know or don't have people they can turn to for help. Helping a family in need can make a world of difference. Joe's story is a great example.

Since early in his life, Joe's family meant everything to him. He cherished

moments with his grandkids and passing on his love of woodworking to his grandson. He looked forward to watching their futures unfold and all the gifts they came with.

But as Joe aged, his family noticed a change. Although he appeared "well," his mind wasn't as sharp as it had once been. Concerned, Joe's wife, Kelly, called the AlzOC helpline. Once the AlzOC team learned about Joe, they recommended a local neurologist. Shortly afterward, Joe was given a formal diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease.

Receiving the diagnosis of dementia and Alzheimer's disease is a difficult thing to process for anyone, as there is no cure. The best thing to do at this point is to get educated, get support and learn how best to manage the journey ahead.

Kelly and her daughter began caregiving classes at AlzOC. They also taught the grandkids about Caring Conversations, a lesson they learned from AlzOC about how important it is to see the world through Joe's perspective and how to make

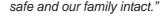
sure he feels loved and cared for—even beyond words.

After Joe's 69th birthday, things progressed rapidly, and he became nonverbal. The family enrolled in AlzOC's Our Gang support group, and Kelly and her daughter also learned how to keep Joe's spirits up through the Savvy Caregiver program.

Sadly, Joe is no longer here to watch his family grow—but never once did his family give up on him.

Kelly credits a part of their success to AlzOC.

"Without my Alzheimer's Orange County family, this would've been nearly impossible. They were there to pick up the pieces when we didn't know where to go next. They helped us keep our Joe



#### Reducing your risk

Many in our community are concerned about getting Alzheimer's or another type of dementia, but the good news is that everyone can work on reducing their risk. Taking action to preserve and protect your brain health is key to reducing your risk and living a brain-healthy lifestyle that promotes healthy aging regardless of your age. Making sure you're getting enough quality sleep, maintaining a healthy diet, and staying physically and socially active are just a few but important ways to keep your mind fit. Our brain health program, MindFit OC, can help you get started. Contact us to learn more.

#### Here for 40 years. Here for the future. Here for you.

We look to the future knowing that our services remain more critical than ever as the number of those affected by dementia is projected to grow even more. Until there is a cure, we provide hope.

To learn more about our services and how to support AlzOC-including at our upcoming "Cheers to 40 Years: Night at the USO" annual benefit-visit our website or call us today.

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## WHAT WE'RE DOING TO HELP

34,000

people in Orange County **provide unpaid care** for their loved ones

**12%** 

of Orange County's older adults
65+ have an Alzheimer's
disease or dementia diagnosis

(higher than the state and national averages)

3rd

leading cause of death

in older adults in Orange County.

(compared to 6th in the nation)



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## OVER 1,000 SUPPORT GROUP ATTENDEES

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Life-transforming knowledge and strategies provided for free.

## HIGHEST PHYSICIAN REFERRALS SINCE 2019

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#### **Our Nutrition Mission**

At Second Harvest, we envision an Orange County with food and nutritional security for all. In one of the wealthiest counties in the U.S., hundreds of thousands of people rely on Second Harvest and our network of partners and pantries for food assistance each month.

Consistent access to nutritious food creates a foundation for community health. Studies have shown that having consistent access to nutritious food helps children learn, reduces absenteeism in the workforce, and helps seniors stay active longer.

"By helping everyone to have consistent access to healthy food, we could lift thousands, and by doing so we prepare our entire community for success in school, work and life," says Dareen Khatib, MPH, MCHES, RDN, Administrator of Health & Wellness at the Orange County Dept. of Education, Second Harvest Board member and Chair of the Second Harvest Nutrition Advisory Council. "Improved health and educational outcomes have a direct link to economic mobility as young people have more opportunity to choose college, career, or technical education, and those already in the workforce grow on their path to increased productivity and stability."

In fiscal year 2021-2022, through our partner network, we:

- Provided 42.5 million pounds of food
- Served average of 332,000 individuals per month, including 111,000 children and 66,000 senior households.

Over the last two years, to stay ahead of COVID-19's impact on working families, we strengthened operations and paved the way for a new focus on pursuing planned nutrition based on consistent access to fresh protein, produce and dairy — rather than relying on situational nutrition driven solely by donations. Our business model focuses on the weekly purchase, bulk donation, and now harvesting of nutritious food.

We have made significant investments in infrastructure improvements to receive and distribute nutritious food. We have added 6,200 square feet of cold storage to our distribution center and installed two cold docks for our trucks to load and unload food bound for our network of community partners and pantries. In addition, we are helping partners to shore up their capacity to receive fresh, nutritious foods as well.

In August 2021, we celebrated our inaugural planting at Harvest Solutions Farm, 45 acres in the heart of Irvine created to provide fresh, locally grown produce for neighbors in need. The Farm is a partnership with Solutions for Urban Agriculture and University of California South Coast Research & Extension Center.

Harvest Solutions Farm allows Second Harvest to mitigate challenges like pandemic-induced inflated food prices and supply chain disruptions. The Farm's location, just 3.6 miles from the food bank, reduces the number of miles trucks drive to deliver ultra-fresh produce to our distribution center and thereby reduces the environmental impact. And it drastically cuts the time from "farm to plate," providing the nutrient-rich food to children, families and seniors in our community. With the help of hundreds of volunteers each week, the Farm generates a bounty of local nourishment for Orange County. In less than one year, the Farm has produced over 2.3 million pounds of produce including cabbage, broccoli, broccolini, celery, zucchini, bell peppers and watermelon!

#### **September is Hunger Action Month**

Hunger Action Month is an annual nationwide campaign that unites Food Banks and the public to inspire people to take action against hunger and to raise awareness for those facing food and nutritional insecurity in our communities. Activities take place throughout the month, with collective efforts focusing around Hunger Action Day on **Friday, September 23, 2022**.

#### The Issue

For millions of people in America, a daily meal is a choice between food and other critical needs like housing, healthcare, transportation or childcare. No one should have to make those types of choices.

#### In Orange County,

- 1 in 11 people is food insecure
- 1 in 8 children is food insecure

Having enough food, especially nutritious food, should not be an impossible choice. This month, help us nourish and create a healthier OC.

#### **Eight Ways You Can Take Action**

#### 1) Wear Orange

Wear orange to work or light up your company's building orange. Orange is the color of hunger relief. During Hunger Action Month, we join together by wearing orange, turning our city landmarks orange and raising our voices across the country on behalf of the millions of people facing hunger in America. Be sure to share on social media photos of yourself and your co-workers wearing orange. Include the hashtags #HungerActionMonth, #EndHunger and #FeedOC, and tag Second Harvest.

#### 2) Walk with us on September 11th!

Register as an individual or create a team for our first-ever Walk to Feed OC on Sunday, September 11, 2022, at Tanaka Farms. Go to feedoc.org/walk.

- 3) **Volunteer** Sign up with your company or family for a volunteer opportunity with Second Harvest Food Bank, either at Harvest Solutions Farm or our Distribution Center. Visit feedoc.org/volunteer.
- 4) **Host a virtual food drive** Visit feedoc.org/virtual-food-drive to learn more and get started.
- 5) Engage your team members Fundraise with your company, team or department and request that your company match donations through its corporate matching gift program.
- 6) **Ditch the drive-thru** Instead of drive-thru or take-out, make your own coffee and lunch during the month of September and donate your savings to Second Harvest.
- 7) **Get educated** Visit map.feedingamerica.org to learn more about hunger in America and in our community.
- 8) Stay connected Sign up for our newsletter at feedoc.org/#signup.



# WE'RE ON A NUTRITION MISSION

Community health starts with access to nutritious food for everyone in Orange County. Working together with our partner network, we're committed to providing dignified, equitable and consistent access to nutritious food to children, adults and seniors throughout our community. And since August 2021, we've been harvesting and distributing nutrient-rich, locally grown produce at the 45-acre Harvest Solutions Farm. To volunteer or donate, please visit FeedOC.org.

**40** YEARS OF SERVICE



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#### **Moving Young People Forward for Generations to Come**

By Dawn S. Reese, Chief Executive Officer, The Wooden Floor

The lingering pandemic has shined a light on the heavy, multi-layered impact upon our most vulnerable children due to the complications that distance learning and social distancing have raised.

Since March 2020, The Wooden Floor has taken a long view on the impact that COVID-19 may have on student development in low-income communities because we make a 10-year commitment to our 475 students and their families, and our long-term vision is to break the cycle of poverty through generational change.

The Wooden Floor is one of the foremost creative youth development nonprofit organizations in the nation. Since 1983, we have served over 95,000 youth, and our strategic solution to today's greatest social challenges is to transform young people through the power of dance and access to higher education. Since 2005, 100% of our graduates have enrolled in higher education.

Unfortunately, many of the forecasts in the early months of the pandemic about the impact of distance learning and social isolation are already evident in research today:

- Academic declines- grade level proficiency in math and reading literacy are delayed 12-24 months
- Disconnection due to social isolation impacting relationship development with teachers and fellow students in the classrooms, as well as in family relationships at home
- Mental health cases of anxiety, depression and suicidal ideation have risen exorbitantly for children

"I want to go into computer engineering because I really like coding. Dance taught me to be creative, so I didn't want a job where I couldn't be creative, and engineering allows you to do that. I coded my own website and I want to be able to create technologies because tech can help society. The Wooden Floor showed me that there was help everywhere, and now that I'm older, I look for help when I need it. If I have a challenge, I look for who can help me. I also try to look for ways to help others."

Daniela S. from the Class of 2021, is attending Northeastern University with a double major in Electrical and Computer Engineering.

We believe The Wooden Floor's youth development approach of using exploratory dance education that is strategically integrated with academics, college and career readiness, and family services leads our students to adapt, co-create and ideate, collaborate, empathize, and build trust. Especially over the past two years, our students have used all of these skills to overcome the many challenges they have faced both in school and in life.

And we too, as an organization, have used those same skills, especially adaptability and empathy, to really guide our strategic solutions.

- 1. Our team has tested and piloted both virtual, hybrid and in-person service delivery offerings for the students and families we serve.
- Through our annual survey data, we have listened and learned in order to adapt our services to meet their needs each step of the way.
- We have been consistent in evaluating and monitoring our four guide posts at the beginning of the pandemic for curriculum design which has yielded great results: 1) connection; 2) techno-literacy; 3) creativity; 4) mental and physical wellness.

From our recent 2022 survey data collection, our students and families feel and know that they are supported, that they can navigate these challenging times better than others in their community, and they have built deep connections with fellow students, parents, and staff members at The Wooden Floor because many call us a "second home".

The Wooden Floor's goal is to create positive change that will last a lifetime for our students as they emerge as courageous and confident leaders.

Our students make a 10-year mental commitment to The Wooden Floor; therefore, we make a 10-year financial commitment to them and their journeys. We are honored to pursue quality and excellence on behalf of the students we serve with a loving community of supporters comprised of individuals, corporations, and foundation partners who work tirelessly each and every year to ensure we move young people forward today, and for generations to come.

Join us at **TheWoodenFloor.org** to learn about the promise that we make to each of our students: from here you can step anywhere.



The Wooden Floor staff celebrated the Class of 2022 to mark the start of their well-earned graduation celebrations. 100% of Class of 2022 graduates went on to higher education.



Dawn S. Reese, Chief Executive Officer of The Wooden Floor, is a social innovator who leverages her unique blend of experience in business, technology, education and the arts to propel young people forward. During Reese's 13-year tenure, The Wooden Floor has seen significant growth with the opening of its second location in Santa Ana, and licensing of its model. Recent awards for The Wooden Floor include: 2022 Nonprofit of the Year Award Greater Irvine Chamber, 2021 Aim High Award New York Life Foundation, and 2021 Stand Up for The Arts Award from Ovation TV/Charter Communications, and Reese received the 2020 Women of Distinction Award for 34th CA Senate District by Tom Umberg. Reese serves on the Board of Directors for Advisors in Philanthropy OC, OneOC as Treasurer, Orange County Music and Dance, Passkeys Foundation as Board Chair and the Santa Ana Chamber of Commerce. She is on the Board of Advisors for the Center for Leadership - College of Business and Economics at California State University, Fullerton. Reese is an author, mentor, consultant, and national conference presenter.

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## IS THE ANSWER.

We transform the lives of young people in low-income communities through the power of dance and access to higher education.

Founded in 1983, The Wooden Floor is one of the foremost creative youth development nonprofit organizations in the country.

Students at The Wooden Floor consistently exceed their peers nationally. Our students become change agents and beacons of hope within their own families, their neighborhoods, our community, and our world.

- 100 percent of our graduates enroll in higher education since 2005, as compared to about 50 percent of their socioeconomic peers.
- Over the past five years, nearly 50 percent of The Wooden Floor graduates major in STEAM subjects.
   (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math)
- 55 percent of our alumni have graduated from colleges and universities since 2005, with a Bachelor's or Master's degree, as compared to 12 percent\* of their socioeconomic peers.

\*National Student Clearinghouse Research Center

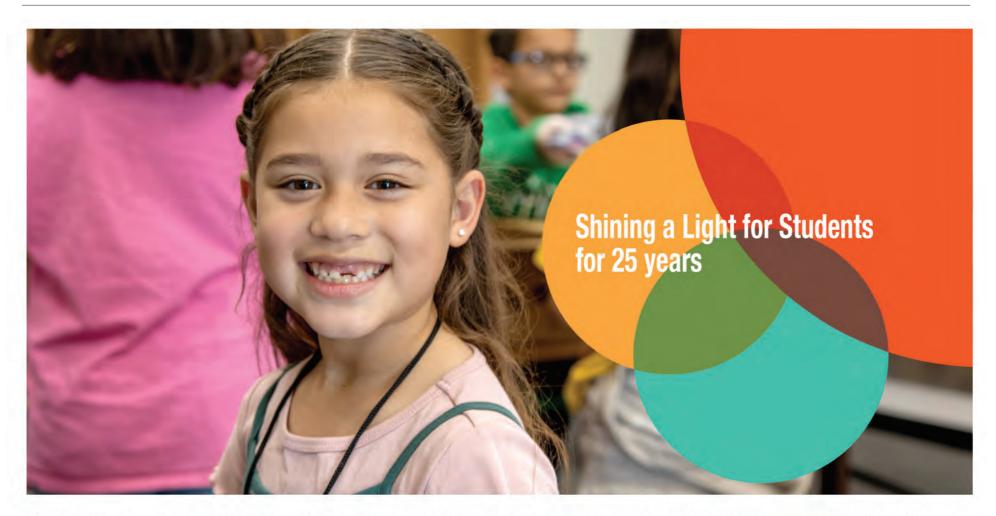


## JOIN US IN MOVING MORE YOUNG PEOPLE FORWARD.

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The students we serve today experienced a pandemic that is unprecedented in our generation. The impact on K–12 student learning was significant, "leaving students on average five months behind in mathematics and four months behind in reading by the end of the school year," according to market research consultant, McKinsey & Company.

The pandemic hit already under-resourced students hardest. When schools started back in-person, it was students with parents and caregivers working outside the home who experienced the highest rates of absenteeism. And when graduation rates fell, it was these students who needed the extra support making up for lost time and work.

Even two years later, we can see the repercussions of their social isolation, of missing academic instruction, of constant messages about a world that is unsafe and uncertain.

#### Through it all, Think Together was there for these students.

We are at a critical moment in education. Students need support with social emotional learning, credit recovery and more. They need a helping hand and a caring adult to show them what academic success can look like, even when the odds are stacked against them.

There is a saying that demographics determine destiny. Often this is the case. All too frequently, students from under-resourced families and students of color don't achieve their full potential in school, thereby limiting their options when they get out of school. And the pandemic only exacerbated this inequitable trend. But that doesn't have to be the case!

#### Think Together started 25 years ago as a single afterschool site in Costa Mesa.

Since then, Think Together has grown to be one of the state's most impactful education nonprofit providers of expanded learning, early learning and school improvement services. Think Together's mission is to partner with schools to change the odds for kids.

## YOUR SUPPORT HELPS THINK TOGETHER DELIVER PROGRAMS TO OVER 150,000 STUDENTS FROM LOS ANGELES TO PALM SPRINGS, THE BAY AREA TO ORANGE COUNTY.

Think Together supports its mission by working closely with school districts to

provide families no cost afterschool programs, early learning and school improvement—a trifecta that supports academic achievement for children and youth, from birth through high school.

We work in and around the traditional school day to ensure students receive the academic and enrichment support they need to succeed. You can help Think Together serve more students, train staff to deliver high quality programs, and purchase curriculum and materials needed to provide robust academic and enrichment content.

Together, we can shine a light for these students for another 25 years.





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For 25 years, Think Together has grown into one of California's leading afterschool and expanded learning providers. Think Together partners with schools to change the odds for kids by providing students with academic support, mind-broadening enrichment curriculum, resources for college & career, and leadership development for teachers & school administrators.





## The Teen Mental Health Crisis Is at a Breaking Point. We Need to Act, Now.



Today's teens are growing up in a world filled with challenges that we've never known. Issues such as arrested social development due to the pandemic, increasing political division, a bleak economic forecast, global conflict and more. And when you couple these external pressures with the already-precarious stage of adolescence, it's no wonder they are suffering from tremendous mental health problems. This can be seen in staggeringly high rates of self-harm, substance abuse and suicide. The fact is, our teens need us now more than ever.

#### Adolescent Mental Health, By the Numbers.

Today's teens must contend with a multitude of stressful situations — from their friends, peers, families, as well as within themselves, and this stress is clearly taking its toll. According to recent data\*:

- Suicide is the 2nd leading cause of death amongst 15 24 year olds.
- 49% of adolescents reported experiencing a mental health disorder at some point in their lives.
- 18% of high school students have seriously considered attempting suicide.
- 32% of 13 18 year olds are suffering from an anxiety disorder.
- Teen suicide increased by 26% among 15 19 year olds, between 2013 – 2019.

#### But There is Hope... All They Need is a Little TLC.

At Tilly's Life Center (TLC), it is our mission to help today's teens cope with crisis, overcome the pressures they face every day, and unlock the best within themselves. Through our Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) curriculum, we teach adolescents the important life skills they need to empower them to make better choices, and lead better, healthier lives.

Our nonprofit educational program uses experiential learning, journal writing, and open discussions to promote self-discovery in a safe and caring environment. Our curriculum is carefully selected to reflect the problems faced by today's youth, and include several important topics including stress management, bullying, effective communication, self-esteem, motivation, purpose, compassion, and many more.

The classes are led by a group of trained facilitators who provide supportive instruction and personal attention, or by TLC-certified educators who implement the curriculum in their own classrooms. By teaching teens to effectively cope with crisis and adversity, we promote healthy habits while inspiring confidence and motivation.

To date, over 13,000 adolescent lives have been positively impacted by TLC.



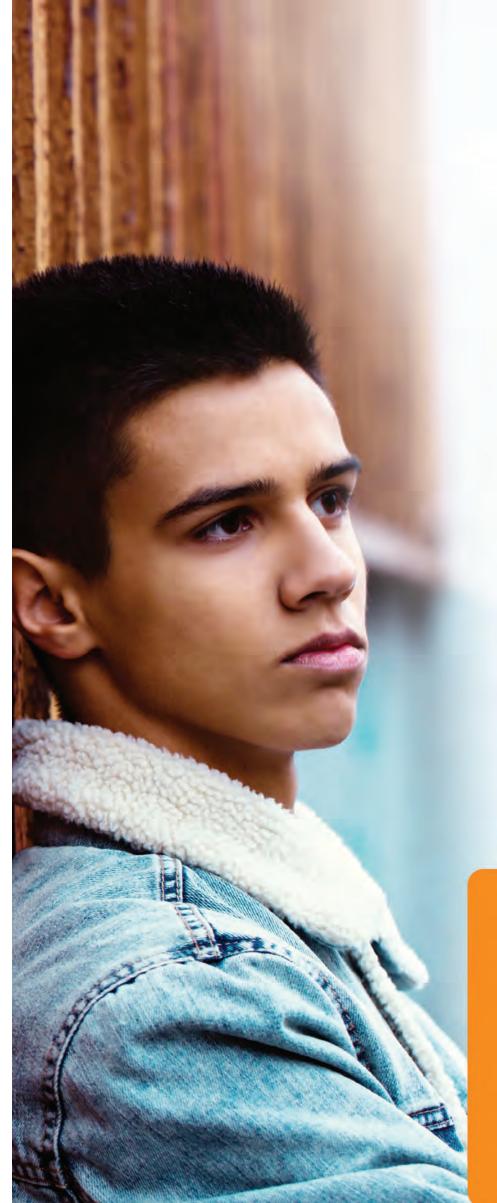
#### With Your Help, We Can Show Them a Better Tomorrow.

Every day we fight to ensure that every vulnerable teen has the social and emotional support that they need, but we can't do this alone! If you'd like to participate in this important cause, please consider attending our 8th Annual "I Am Giving" Gala, GONE COUNTRY, taking place on October 8th, at Giracci Vineyards in Silverado, CA. Sip whiskey, wine and spirits and enjoy an evening with a culinary experience, exciting live auction, and dance the night away to live entertainment straight from Nashville! — all to benefit today's teens.

We hope you can join us for this special evening. Individual tickets as well as table reservations are available, with all proceeds going to support today's teens!



To learn more about this event, and all the work we do, please visit https://tillyslifecenter.org/





#### Teens Need Our Help... And They Need It, Now.

Our teens face problems most of us never had to — including social media pressures, political strife, a troubling economy, and a devastating interruption to their social development. As a result, teen mental health issues are more widespread than ever.

#### They Can Build a Brighter Future, They Just Need a Little TLC.

At Tilly's Life Center (TLC), we utilize the power of positivity to support teen mental health, giving them the life skills they need to overcome adversity, cope with crisis, and unlock their true potential.

#### Our Social and Emotional Learning program empowers teens to:

- > Navigate Peer Pressure
- > Resist Drugs and Alcohol
- > Make Healthier Life Choices
- > Manage Stress and Anxiety
- > Practice Empathy and Kindness
- > Build Self-Confidence
- > Overcome Past Pain and Trauma
- > Develop a Plan for the Future

#### Join Us for Our 8th Annual 'I Am Giving' Gala!

On October 8th, 2022, at the stunning Giracci Vineyards in Silverado, CA, we're holding our 8th Annual Gala. Sip whiskey, wine and spirits and enjoy an evening with a culinary experience, exciting live auction, and dance the night away to live entertainment straight from Nashville! All proceeds benefit this important cause, and there's limited space available so be sure to get your tickets today!



To learn more about our events, make a donation, and see how we're making a difference in the lives of today's teens, please visit tillyslifecenter.org

## Hope and Clean Water for 1 Million People

2022 has been a remarkable year of growth and expansion for Wells of Life. We've seen our impact exponentially increase and entire communities in Uganda are being transformed with safe access to clean water. Throughout our growth, the Wells of Life vision has never changed. We believe in a world where safe access to clean water is available to all people, and we are working hard to make this vision a reality. This year, Wells of Life will cross the 1 Million mark in the number of people who have received clean water!

We celebrate this major milestone, but we also recognize there are millions more who still need clean water. Our model of community investment ensures our work is measurable, sustainable, and reproducible, guaranteeing that Wells of Life is positioned to bring lifesaving results to millions more in the years to come. Our dedicated in-country team of local Ugandans ensures our on-the-ground work is the highest level of

quality. This allows us to form strategic partnerships with organizations like UWASNET (Uganda Water and Sanitation Network) and BUCADEF (Buganda Cultural Development Foundation) that other, less locally-represented non-profits do not have access to. Our Healthy Village Program is transforming the sanitation and hygiene practices of entire communities, resulting in thousands of lives transformed.

Our in-country staff and partnerships, use of permanent, best-in-class materials, and commitment to quality assurance and maintenance empowers Wells of Life to lead the charge toward a world where safe access to clean water is available to all people.

We invite you to join us at Wells of Life as we invest in a future of hope and clean water. For more information on ways to get involved, visit wellsoflife.org or call (855) 935-5763.



## WELLS OF LIFE

#### Water Changes Everything

When you support Wells of Life, your gift of clean water changes lives. Mercy is one of those lives, and the well donated to her community has empowered her family with time, opportunity, health and education. Mercy is the mother of three small children, and her days used to be spent struggling to meet their needs because of lack of safe access to clean water. The family's health, education and future looked fragile when a Wells of Life supporter learned of Mercy's village and donated the funds to provide a clean water well. The ease of access to safe, healthy water for Mercy's family has empowered her to start her own business and invest in her children's education.

"I am happy and healthy. I started a successful crop business. I have time to work and pray daily, and my children are healthy, going to school full-time. We no longer struggle with sickness, and our future is bright." Mercy, 34.



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## The power of positive role models is essential to the future of Orange County.

Stop for a moment and think of the people who invested in you, who got you to where you are. Think of the role models who believed in your potential to achieve your goals and whose help directly influenced your career and life success. While the outcome may not have been guaranteed - hard work and dedication is required - the opportunity was likely propelled by the access, social capital, and exposure afforded to you by a mentor.

It stands to reason then, that among the strategies that will engage and equip the next generation of workers, creators, and innovators in Orange County, mentorship should be high on our priority list.

Unfortunately, an estimated 90,000+ youth in our region are growing up without a positive role model, which contributes to the ever-increasing levels of youth violence, risky and illegal behavior, and mental health issues, without intervention these young people will become a generation of disengaged (not working or in school) young adults.

For these 90,000+ youth, mentorship is not just a "nice to have", it is essential. Moreover, if Orange County is to lead the country in innovation, quality of life, philanthropy, and education mentoring these underserved youth is essential for all of us.

The good news is that we know it works! Here are just a few ways mentorship makes a BIG difference:

Youth who are mentored are 55% more likely to attend college

Mentored youth are 17% more likely to be employed and earn 13% higher wages

33% of our 2022 mentees were first-generation high school graduates

75% of our 2022 mentees will be the first in their family to attend college

Mentorship breaks societal barriers, closes opportunity gaps, and overcomes adversities like poverty and identity-based discrimination. When we have a highly engaged society and a thriving diverse workforce, we all win.

#### It all starts with you.

Learn the ways you can be a mentor or support a mentor with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Orange County & The Inland Empire at **ocbigs.org.** 



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Through our long-lasting mentoring relationships, we're strengthening our community by helping the youngest among us reach their biggest possible futures.

Stand with us — together, we can cultivate hope for the next generation of leaders, entrepreneurs and innovators who have the potential to change the world.

Join the mentoring movement ocbigs.org



Join us to cultivate strong communities, positive changes, and hopeful futures for families living in affordable housing.



## **CREATE IMPACT WITH US!**

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#### **Integrated Housing and Healthcare for the Homeless**

Illumination Foundation has been providing integrated housing and healthcare services to those experiencing homelessness for the past 15 years. Our mission is to disrupt the cycle of homelessness in Southern California by providing a comprehensive safety net of client-centered services for the most vulnerable individuals, families, and children.

Illumination Foundation believes that every person has an intrinsic right to home, health, and dignity. We respond to the needs of our clients on a variety of fronts, including interim housing and emergency shelter, recuperative care, navigation centers, permanent supportive housing, and partnerships to provide onsite medical, dental, and behavioral health services. We go beyond just housing people who are experiencing homelessness. From street to home, we provide a full continuum of care and resources to bring people the support they need.



"The staff is unbelievably supportive and helpful in any way possible. They made me feel empowered. After about 7 months with Illumination Foundation, I signed my lease with the determination of only going up from here! I thank you, Illumination Foundation and staff, for the opportunity to be able to provide my tribe a chance to live out life to their full potential. This organization is amazing and has become like family to me and I want to continue to be a part of something bigger than myself."

—Simone, single mother, who is now housed "Illumination Foundation and the (IFMG) medical group has helped get my life back on track and get control of my health and well-being, which I have neglected for many years. It feels good to take control and see some light and hope at the end of the tunnel. I am very thankful for what I have received and all you have done to help me."

—Client who received healthcare services while in shelter and is working on her housing

Our model of integrated housing and healthcare has made an enormous impact on those experiencing homelessness in the communities we serve. Through this approach, we ensure that our clients are provided with the tools, support, and resources necessary to attain the highest quality of life possible.

We have accomplished many housing and healthcare successes in the past 15 years. As we celebrate the milestones of the past we acknowledge that the need now is greater than ever. Access to affordable housing and healthcare services is critical to meet the needs of our communities. There is much more to be done in the next 15 years, and we are continuing to develop partnerships, programs, and services to further our mission.

You can be part of the solution in disrupting the cycle of homelessness. By supporting Illumination Foundation you are providing home, health, and dignity. When you invest in people's lives, you invest in our communities, and in a better future for every person, family, and child that lives there.

You can make an impact today. Make a difference as an advocate, partner, donor, or volunteer. Join Illumination Foundation in our mission to disrupt the cycle of homelessnes. For more information, go to www.ifhomeless.org.

#### WELLS FARGO



## Building strong relationships in our community

The opportunity to show our commitment to our communities means a lot to us. What each of us contributes can, together, make life better for everyone.

We are proud to be a part of the Orange County community.

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## Supporting our Orange County Communities At Wells Fargo, supporting our communities is part of our

At Wells Fargo, supporting our communities is part of our culture — it's fundamental to our vision and values and the way we manage our company. It's been that way since our founding in 1852 when co-founder Henry Wells said, "Our lives are not measured by the number of years and days we exist, but by what we accomplish while we live, and the good we may render to our fellow man." That heritage holds true today — and it's important to our future. We've created a culture that seeks out diverse perspectives to unlock innovation.



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As one of largest corporate donor to charitable institutions in Orange County, Wells Fargo is proud of the long-standing and strong relationships with organizations that are truly making a lasting and positive impact in our communities.

Through our businesses and the Wells Fargo Foundation, we align our resources and expertise to make a positive impact in communities, address complex societal issues, and help build a more inclusive, sustainable future for all.

Our vision is guided by a strategy that seeks to help strengthen our communities and through that effort, help develop Wells Fargo employees as strong business and community leaders as well. Our philanthropy is strategically focused on housing affordability, small business growth, sustainability and environmental justice, and financial health.

In Orange County, we engage with numerous nonprofit organizations like Charitable Ventures and OneOC who last year launched Ready to Grow Peer Learning & Coaching Cohort. The goal of the Ready to Grow program is to grow capacity in Orange County's nonprofit sector, with an emphasis on BIPOC-led and serving organizations.

The program was supported through our Wells Fargo Open for Business Fund, a fund the bank created to donate all \$420M of our PPP loan proceeds to help small businesses recover and rebuild from the pandemic.

In closing, our mission at Wells Fargo is trust of each of our communities in a way that reflects our role as one of America's leading socially responsible companies.

News, insights and perspectives from Wells Fargo are also available at stories.wf.com. Keith Kobata is Orange County Region Bank President with Wells Fargo Bank.

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## **Providing Personalized Care to the Orange County Community**

Share Our Selves opened the doors to the community in 1970. Over the past 52 years, Share Our Selves has remained open to everyone, families and children, farmworkers, those experiencing homelessness, and individuals without insurance. Share Our Selves Community Health Centers are apart of a national movement advocating to improve the health and wellbeing of the communities they serve. Community health centers collectively care for 30 million patients at 11,000 sites across the nation.

#### **Recognized Excellence**

Share Our Selves has been nationally recognized as a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) and by the National Committee for Quality Assurance's (NCQA) Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) program for providing services that puts the patient at the forefront of care. Share Our Selves Community Health Centers are unique because we believe the social determinants of health have a significant impact on well-being. Therefore, Share Our Selves provides a comprehensive approach to care through our community health centers, social services and community programs.

#### **Clinical Highlights:**

- 50,000 medical visits each year
- Over 10,000 dental visits annually
- Over 700 Mobile unit site visits
- 1,758 Behavioral Health Visits
- 150 Prescriptions a day for 2,300 patients

#### **Social Services Impact:**

- Over 300 Bags of groceries distributed through the food pantry daily totaling 17,648 in 2021
- 1,370 Care management assistance visits in 2021
- 2,000 People received financial assistance

#### **Community Programs:**

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- First in Family College Readiness Program awards scholarships to collegebound students who will be the first generation in their family to attend college. In 2022, the program awarded 25 students from Back Bay High School, Costa Mesa High School, Estancia High School, and Newport Harbor High School.
- Back to School Program has distributed backpacks filled with school supplies to local students since the program's inception in 1995. In August 2022, 1,550 backpacks were distributed to local families.
- Thanksgiving Food and Adopt A Family Programs provide families and individuals with comfort during the holiday season. In 2021 1,367 turkey dinners were provided and over 6,500 families/individuals were served through Adopt A Family.

#### Your Generosity

Philanthropic support continues to help Share Our Selves close the care gap. Health centers save the health care system more than \$24 billion annually in reduced emergency, hospital, and specialty care costs. Because of our donors' commitment to the community, we continue to provide personalized care for our most vulnerable neighbors.

Moving into the future, we will be seeking opportunities to expand service starting with the Share Our Selves Community Health Center located in Mission Viejo. Our planned

expansion will increase medical exam rooms from four to nine. Dental, behavioral health, and case management services will be added as available services in this newly expanded location in 2022!

To learn more visit shareourselves.org 1550 Superior Avenue Costa Mesa, CA 92627





## A Legacy of Giving

When Mohamed and Gulie Hamir came to the United States over 50 years ago, they dreamt of streets paved in gold and abundant opportunity. Over the years, they built an incredible life together, including prioritizing community involvement, an ethic ingrained in them by their mothers, women who were exemplars of strength and caring. Since Mohamed retired from a successful career in financial services and Gulie as a professional nurse, they now honor their families through philanthropic endeavors focused on supporting girls and women, most especially Girl Scouts.

The Hamirs' involvement with Girl Scouts of Orange County over the past 13 years traverses nearly every aspect of the organization's mission. From supporting robust STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) programming to entrepreneurship and outdoors opportunities, they are committed to seeing their legacy realized through the next generation of female leaders. They are especially driven to support the advancement of gender equity and the values of hard work and initiative underscored in Girl Scouts.

Fittingly, Gulie was a Girl Scout herself and she and Mohamed raised their daughter Zeena Dhalla (now a successful health and wellness entrepreneur) as a proud Girl Scout. The most profound validation of the power of Girl Scouts has come through the Hamirs' granddaughter, Zaleeya. Adopted from an orphanage in Kolkata, India, she struggled with the social and emotional challenges common to adoptees who experienced trauma. After several very rough early years, Zaleeya joined Girl Scouts, with mom Zeena as a Troop Leader and dad Azeem Dhalla (now a member of the Girl Scouts of Orange County Board of Directors) an enthusiastic Troop Volunteer. "Within a year or two, Zaleeya became more outgoing; the change in her personality was unmistakable," Mohamed recently

said. "We saw clearly how Girl Scouts truly comes at just the right time in girls' lives – the formative years when involvement can encourage healthy behaviors and offer support systems in a safe environment that promotes resiliency and well-being."

That impact, and their genuine desire to give back to the country that gave so much to them, motivates the Hamirs to live a life of philanthropy. Earlier this year, they established an extraordinary endowment gift to Girl Scouts of Orange County. Inspired by the opportunities presented to him as an immigrant, Mohamed approached their charitable investment with a fresh and creative perspective. "If after one year in America, we could finance the purchase of a car, and within five years a house, can't we also do the same to finance a legacy?" Therein was born their approach: Giving from a donor-advised fund and directly from their IRA account, the Hamirs glean tremendous tax benefits, and can structure a long-term giving plan with an organization, Girl Scouts of Orange County, that is close to their hearts. Their legacy is secured and lasting support for the local community is realized.

As Gulie has emphasized, the Hamir endowment will target under-represented girls and their families and support membership growth, two areas of critical importance for Girl Scouts of Orange County. The Hamirs are also founding members of Girl Scouts of Orange County's Promise Circle of Giving, joining with other stakeholders to maximize their investment and advocacy for the lifechanging benefits of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience.

For more information about Girl Scouts of Orange County's Promise Circle of Giving and accompanying benefits, visit girlscoutsoc.org/promise or contact (949) 461-8824 or fund.dev@girlscoutsoc.org.

# Your promise helps her change the world.

Before girls change the world, they have to believe they can. Every day, Girl Scouts of Orange County helps 15,000 girls discover their own abilities, find their voices, and pursue their dreams.

Join the generous individuals investing in girls of courage, confidence, and character. Support today's Girl Scouts as they build leadership skills and realize their bright, bold futures.

Invest in girls, who will change the world.

Join our Promise Circle of Giving at www.girlscoutsoc.org/promise.

"We believe giving to Girl Scouts is an investment in the next generation's dreams and builds a better world for all of us – because Girl Scouts gives girls a space to lead, thrive, and make a positive impact in their communities.

Of course, every girl deserves the opportunity of Girl Scouts! When girls succeed, society does too."

- Gulie & Mohamed Hamir, Girl Scouts of Orange County Promise Circle Members











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## **iiHOPE BUILDERS**

#### BUILDING a PATHWAY to PROSPERITY

### A Successful Social Enterprise Model: Hope Builders Career Connections

Hope Builders knows it cannot rely on philanthropy alone to achieve the community impact it envisions. The nonprofit also needs to invest in itself. Since its social enterprise model launched in 2018 **Hope Builders Career Connections (HBCC)** is doing just that.

Shawna Smith, Hope Builders Executive Director, explains the social enterprise model was initially started to help construction employers vet and source reliable, skilled employees. "In its first years," she shares, "HBCC generated an average of \$300k annually from the placement of our construction graduates. Since 2021 we've broadened our model to include Hope Builders healthcare graduates, and it now generates close to \$600k in revenue. By the end of 2024, we expect to generate over \$1 million annually."

As part of its evolution, HBCC has grown from a standard paid internship model where candidates earned minimum wage to a true staffing model where pay ranges are more competitive, averaging \$18/hr.

Carlos Bello, Labor Relations Manager for A.J. Kirkwood & Associates construction, says, "These graduates are excited and eager to start their careers. You can feel their positivity which is why we want to bring them on board." He adds, "There's a lot of accountability and punctuality in the program that carries over into their daily work ethic at AJK."



Carlos Bello (Center), Labor Relations Manager for A.J. Kirkwood & Associates, with new HBCC employees.



Since adding Hope Builders healthcare graduates to the social enterprise model, the non-profit's revenue for these placement programs has doubled.

Laura Stagner, CFRE, Hope Builders Senior Director of Development, notes, "HBCC has also given us the unique opportunity to gain direct employer feedback on our skills training. We use this information to make real-time adjustments and ensure we best meet their placement needs. Because of this, we've seen our retention numbers increase and now 80% of our candidates are still on the job six months after placement."

In fact, 61% of those who hire a Hope Builders graduate are repeat employers. Julia Nguyen, MA, Director of Operations & Outreach Programs at Footprints Behavioral Interventions, says, "Our employees from HBCC stand out from their peers. Hope Builders does a wonderful job screening and vetting employees to ensure they are a good match. We can teach anyone the hard skills, but you can't teach anyone to love the field or to be passionate about our clients. HBCC does both."

Tim Blett, Chairman of the Board at Hope Builders, shares, "The successful transition from a traditional nonprofit to a blended social enterprise model shows donors we are working to ensure our own sustainability by continuing to diversify our revenue streams."

For more information about Hope Builders and their HBCC social enterprise model, visit: **tsjhopebuilders.org**.

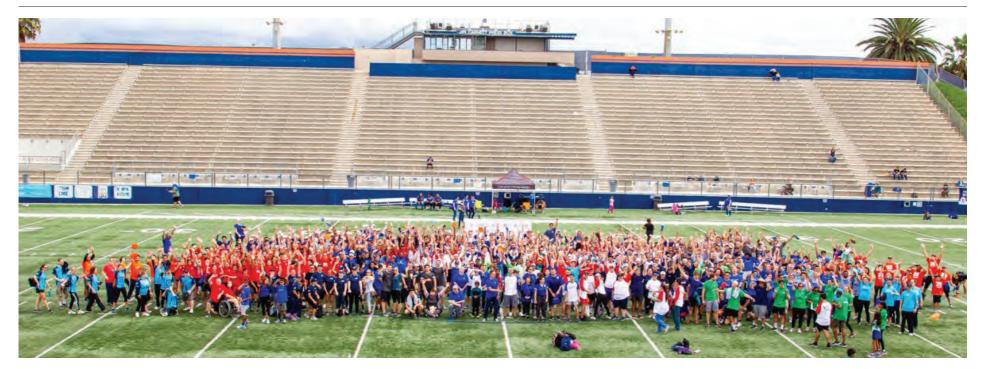




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## **Community Cup**

Are you looking for a team building activity for your organization? Building on its inaugural success in 2019, Community Cup is back and bigger than ever! Community Cup will be held on October 22, 2022, from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Great Park in Irvine, CA. This year's festivities will include competitive games, donation prizes, food trucks, face painting, and more! Gather a team from your company or nonprofit and get them pumped up for this day of fun.

Your team will get to participate in games hosted by the Los Angeles Chargers and Anaheim Ducks, fan favorite inflatable human foosball, and classics like cornhole, dodgeball, frisbee, and tug a war. This friendly competition will promote employee engagement while supporting nonprofits. This is an opportunity to come together in a safe outdoor setting to build connections with those in the community.

Registration for Community Cup will close on Friday, September 9th. Don't miss out! Fees for registration: \$1500 for a company team (ask us about our nonprofit rate!). Teams can include 8 – 12 individuals. Your team will also receive a \$100

Charitable Giving Card just for registering!

The top three teams win: \$5K donation, \$3k donation, and a \$2K donation to the charity of your choice.

Don't forget to bring your friends and family to cheer you on while you play! We'll have food trucks, face painting, photobooth, and balloon art – something fun for everyone! We encourage everyone to bring blankets, chairs and signs!

What are you waiting for? Registration is open and now is your chance to get involved!

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## Orangewood Foundation's Youth Connected Program Revolutionizes Foster Care for a New Generation

There has never been a better or more important time to be a foster parent.

The latest numbers tell the story: Only 68% of Orange County's more than 2,000 foster youth graduate high school. By most academic measures, that's a failing grade — and it's a situation that Orangewood Foundation is committed to remedying with its innovative Youth Connected Program (YCP).

"We envision a world where all foster youth graduate high school and are well supported to take on college, careers, relationships, and daily living with confidence and security," says Chris Simonsen, CEO of Orangewood Foundation. "The Youth Connected Program offers a unique experience where youth live on campus in state-of-the-art dorms to focus on their education and independent living skills Sunday night through Friday afternoon, returning to spend time with their foster families on the weekends and for holidays and summers."

Orangewood's Youth Connected Program offers youth in foster care a world-class education at the award-winning Samueli Academy on the Orangewood campus. Consistently ranked among the top 5 percent of schools in the nation by U.S. News & World Report, Samueli Academy offers a leading-edge program based on project-based learning where students collaborate on meaningful projects that require critical thinking, creativity, and communication in order for them to answer challenging real-life questions or solve complex problems. Through this process, project-based learning gives students the opportunity to develop real-life skills that will propel them towards future college and career success.

Weekday dorm living at Samueli Academy takes place in brand-new residential buildings on the Orangewood campus that are intentionally designed and furnished for maximum comfort and a welcoming ambiance, while also allowing spaces for students to come together as a 'student family' with their counselors and advisors. In this way, students in the Youth Connected Program create meaningful friendships and have the chance to learn life skills in an informal, relaxed setting.

On weekends and during school breaks and holidays, foster youth join their local foster families (also called resource families) in their homes to connect and enjoy a stable, familial setting. Most of the foster/resource families in Orangewood's Youth Connected Program have never fostered children before, and are motivated by the opportunity to provide a stable, loving environment for a teen.

The Youth Connected Program ensures that both youth and foster parents are fully supported throughout their journeys. Youth receive academic support, plus one-on-one assistance with self-sufficiency planning including housing, college, and career decisions, along with workshops on daily living, relationships, education, and careers. Foster Parents (Resource Families) receive free trainings and 24/7 on-call support as Orangewood's expert team guides them through the entire process.

You can help a student in foster care succeed through Orangewood Foundation's Youth Connected Program. To learn more, please visit https://orangewoodfoundation.org/ycp/.





# WHATEVER IT TAKES



As a Boys & Girls Club, people rely on us; we are an extension of their families, and that is something we take very seriously.

As we enter another school year, our Club plans to expand our reach within the community and continue to make an impact at scale by:

- Helping close the academic
   achievement gap many families
   continue to face, and provide socio emotional support by partnering with
   our local school sites,
- expanding our Workforce Development and College Bound programs so more teens have equitable access to education and career opportunities post-graduation, and
- strengthening our Mental Health
   initiative so all members and staff have
   access to these critical services.

For over 80 years, the collective impact of our community ensures the families we serve have the resources they need to achieve their greatest potential. It is our responsibility and honor to do everything we can – whatever it takes – and we invite you to join us! Scan the QR code to learn how you can make an impact.

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## Relationship Violence Impacts Us All

Relationship violence can happen to anyone – often cycling through generations as a destructive and repetitive pattern that contributes to toxic environments in homes, schools, and communities. We know each person can help break this cycle by recognizing the signs of abuse and by taking action to help those in need of safety.

#### **Our Mission**

We ignite social change by educating Orange County to recognize relationship violence as an issue that threatens everyone, advocating for those affected by abuse, extending a safe place for victims and empowering survivors on their journey of healing.

#### **Our Story**

From awareness comes action; from action springs sustainable change; and from sustainable change emerges a violence-free future in which every individual and family in Orange County is free to live healthy relationships based on respect. Human Options leads collective, countywide responses in service of those affected by abuse. Ultimately, we are empowering every person and family in Orange County to live free from fear.

#### The Effects of Relationship Violence

Victims and survivors of relationship violence experience housing insecurity at a disproportionate rate as a direct result of the violence they have endured, let alone the county's notoriously high housing costs. In the 2022 Orange County Point in Time Count, 21% of those surveyed were homeless because of domestic violence. Tensions in the home from crisis, unemployment, financial instability, and other stressors are increasing incidents of domestic violence at a higher rate than years prior.

For more than four decades, Human Options has worked to raise awareness that relationship violence affects not only the individuals experiencing abuse, but the children who witness it. Each year in the United States, about 3.3 million children are exposed to relationship violence in their homes and often the adults involved are incapable of recognizing the impacts of toxic stress on children.

In recognizing that safe housing is at the root of family stability, we have developed a continuum of interventions and housing options to support victims and survivors on their journey to healing. Fundamentally, our range of services ensure safe and stable housing, fosters economic stability, and creates lives free from violence.



STORY: Monica and her daughter were extremely resilient in their healing journey after running to our shelter for safety. Monica's daughter, Angel, had come a long way from wanting to harm herself and having bursts of crying and screaming. Through our children's program, Angel learned deep breathing and finding ways to calm down. She has even started to encourage other children to help themselves by saying, "It's going to be okay, just keep trying. You got this, take a deep breath". This development is tremendous as Angel's resilience is giving her the ability to heal from the trauma. Monica finds comfort in knowing that her daughter will be okay and can break the cycle of violence.

Join Us as We #SHINETHELIGHT On Domestic Violence Awareness Month! October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and you can #pledgepurple and empower your community to take a stand!

**Prevent** relationship violence from perpetuating by expanding your knowledge at our fall luncheon on October 20th.

**Protect** future generations by understanding the root causes of abuse by hosting a training or workshop at your organization or office.

**Empower** your network to #pledgepurple by wearing purple on October 20th **Transform** the lives of those impacted by abuse by making a donation.

Visit humanoptions.org/dvam2022 for more information.





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## Beyond Blindness Celebrates 60 Years of Support from OC's Business + Medical Communities

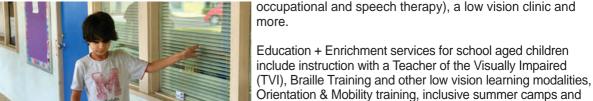
OC nonprofit is only organization of its kind in the region serving children with visual impairments and other disabilities, and their families

Beyond Blindness — a Santa Ana-based nonprofit — has been helping Orange County residents with visual impairments live better, fuller lives for six decades. The organization is celebrating its 60th anniversary this year, thanks in large part to the support of the OC business and medical communities. Partners and Ophthalmic Advisory Board members represent leading companies, universities and medical centers including Alcon, Glaukos Corporation, jCyte, Johnson & Johnson Vision, New World Medical, STAAR Surgical, The Gavin Herbert Eye Institute, Children's Hospital of Orange County, and Marshall B. Ketchum University.

Beyond Blindness is the only organization of its kind in the region and is dedicated to building bright futures for children with visual impairments and other disabilities — and their families. In a large majority of cases, parents with children newly diagnosed with visual impairments don't know where to turn, and Beyond Blindness is their one-stop source for

the support, referrals, and resources they need to help their children reach developmental milestones.

The organization offers a comprehensive Journey of Care with an emphasis on Early Intervention, Education + Enrichment, and Family Support. From its facility in Santa Ana, the nonprofit provides all of the services and referral resources families need beyond the expert medical care their children receive from their



Beyond Blindness also supports families with guidance through their entire Journey of Care, assistive technology training, parent education and training, a wellness line and checks, counseling, and inclusive family events.

transitional & individualized education plan (IEP) support.

Through the on-campus Low Vision Clinic, Beyond Blindness offers free vision exams for children in Orange County. This is a critical way for parents to understand their child's eye health from infancy, and a key factor in preserving and maximizing sight for the long term.

Thanks to innovative leadership by its President and Executive Director Angie Rowe and its impressive Board of Directors and Ophthalmic Advisory Board members, Beyond Blindness has served more than 400 children and families in the past year, a significant increase from years past. They place a strong focus on early intervention, in alignment with prevailing scientific and medical studies, to help ensure that children with visual impairments (including full blindness) receive the right support to live their fullest, most rewarding lives.







## Working Wardrobes Helps Prepare Job Seekers in Orange County for the Workforce Through Career Readiness Programs

A livable income for a family of four in Southern California is \$98,000 (according to the Living Wage Calculator by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for 2022) — and this number does not yet account for the very recent inflation of mandatory resources, such as food and transportation. Orange County residents who are unemployed and underemployed must rebuild their careers to obtain reliable work and a higher wage to support themselves and their families.

The hurdles that prevent job seekers from returning to the workforce can be as simple as a lack of soft skills that are needed in the workplace, or as overwhelming as overcoming domestic violence, justice-involvement, substance abuse, and homelessness. Since 1990, Working Wardrobes has helped over 115,000 clients overcome challenges on their journey to meaningful employment.

Working Wardrobes empowers and prepares individuals for the dignity of work by providing no-cost career readiness programs, including assessments, training, certifications, career coaching, critical needs aid, and individualized employment plans.

Individuals who earn a reliable paycheck, make a living-wage, and do not have to constantly worry about obtaining their basic needs, can best contribute to the community, their family, and, of course, themselves. We call this ability The Power of a Paycheck ™, and believe that everyone in Orange County deserves access to it.

The career readiness programs Working Wardrobes provides free to clients are powered by donors, volunteers, and supporters that believe in and aid our mission. Make Working Wardrobes your philanthropic priority! Auto-pilot your commitment by joining our **Success Club** and sign up to make a monthly contribution. By making

that monthly contribution \$100 or more, you will become a member of the **Rebuilding Careers Coalition**, a visionary giving collective of individuals, foundations, and companies that are taking a stand to help transform 80 clients' lives in 2022.

Individuals can also give to Working Wardrobes by shopping for a cause. Visit **The Hanger Boutiques and Outlets**, to buy sustainable resale clothing that funds career readiness programs.

There are many ways for businesses and professionals to give time and talent to Working Wardrobes. We host **Corporate Social Responsibility Days**, opportunities for teams to share their skills and camaraderie in an alternative environment, while giving back to the community.

Employers and industry experts in critically growing fields can also give back by offering insights on trends, career training opportunities, and job postings for our clients.

On September 24th we will celebrate the first 3 decades of Working Wardrobes "*Growing Through the Decades*" at our annual Gala at the Bowers museum. This night will reflect on the 32-years of empowering Orange County job seekers with the tools and abilities to experience the dignity of work and The Power of a Paycheck™. We invite you to participate by purchasing tickets, tables, or sponsorships.

Your support of Working Wardrobes helps to change the world - one person and job seeker at a time. Learn more by visiting workingwardrobes.org.



Give the Power of a Paycheck™ Join Working Wardrobes¹ Rebuilding Careers Coalition

Your membership in the Rebuilding Careers Coalition gives comprehensive and effective career development services to low-income, unemployed, and underemployed individuals in Orange County.

Rebuilding careers is the key to transforming lives and our community from the inside out.



Empowerment. Employment. Dignity. Will you join the Coalition?

Contact us at: rebuildingcareers@workingwardrobes.org



## READY TO RELAUNCH



**Tiger Woods** had a vision inspired by the tragic events of 9/11, "to create a safe space for students to learn, grow & chase after their dreams." From this vision came the flagship TGR Learning Lab, which opened in 2006 to students and families from Anaheim and the surrounding communities.

As a child, Tiger's parents instilled in him the importance and priority of education first, which he wanted to pass on to youth from the same

community he grew up in. Designed to meet students' needs while inspiring them to dream big, the TGR Learning Lab welcomed students to an environment unlike the traditional school structure featuring hands-on learning and access to state-of the art technology in a setting designed to feel like college. Since inception, thousands of 5th through 12th grade students have participated in the Learning Lab's learning resources.

This fall we are excited to celebrate the relaunch of the TGR Learning Lab and welcome our community of students, educators and supporters to the campus. The relaunch is bigger than a renovation of the building; it's a celebration of the impact we have in the lives of youth and a recommitment to the community as we fulfill Tiger's vision.

The Learning Lab has been modernized, including a new café, lounge and classroom design complete with furniture to mimic professional shared spaces, the latest technology including Boxlight touchscreens, 3D printers, a podcast studio, multimedia creative resources and more. The educational philosophy remains the same, to provide students with opportunities to pursue their passions, access quality education and gain the ongoing support needed to thrive in school and life.

Our classes combine exposure to college and career pathways with the knowledge and skills needed for success. We also provide teachers from Anaheim and surrounding communities with professional development to integrate project-based learning into their classroom.

The inspiring environment and supportive instructors provide daily encouragement for students to Follow Your Passions, Dream Without Limits and Be a Champion!

Whether a student navigating their path to success, an educator helping students discover their passions or a partner providing opportunities for under-resourced youth, we believe everyone can be a champion.

Thank you to Nick Gross and Find Your Grind, Debbie & Hal Jacobs, Cindy & Mike McKee, Alexis Ohanian, Providence and Clair Yu & Simon Zhang for being champions for youth and supporting the relaunch.

Join us. Be a champion.

Learn more at **TGRFoundation.org/CHAMPIONS**.



"I found a passion in creative visual work and storytelling through film at the TGR Learning Lab. As a photographer and filmmaker, I still use skills I learned there today."

> -Brandon Layman TGR Learning Lab alumnus



At TGR Foundation, we connect passions with purpose to help students learn, grow and thrive.

### **BE A CHAMPION**

TGRFoundation.org/CHAMPIONS









## Where Stories Are Ready to Begin

Biyu came to WTLC with only a few diapers for her 6-month-old son, Li Jun, and one small luggage of clothing. She had moved from China to marry her husband in 2018, but he soon became more distant, leaving home for days on end. One night, he attacked Biyu while she was putting Li Jun to sleep.

It was that night that Biyu knew her life was in danger. Because of her limited English, Biyu had trouble finding the help she needed, until she was connected to WTLC.

When she arrived at WTLC, Biyu was surprised at how welcoming her apartment was and how many activities there were for her son to participate in. With the help of her Advocates, Biyu was able to get a restraining order against

her husband, tailor her resume to find a job, secure a daycare, take Li Jun to the doctor, and start her job search.

Because of Biyu's situation, she was introduced and enrolled into our transitional housing program, which fills a critical space between short-term emergency shelter and long-term housing for survivors and their families, providing up to 24 months of housing and wrap-around services.

Survivors of domestic violence and human trafficking often face extraordinary barriers to stability. Many have had to leave their homes, jobs, and support networks behind as they sought safety from situations of violence. Starting from scratch and with hardly any resources to draw on, many in our programs find that the amount of time provided by traditional emergency shelter programs is simply



not enough to fully achieve long-term stabilization.

Over the past 2 years, WTLC has embarked on a capital campaign to build a dedicated facility for our transitional housing program – Hope House. In the midst of a pandemic, rising costs in the building industry, and corresponding increased costs of the project, we have not waivered, because each year the need for longer term housing for survivors increases.

WTLC is excited to be in the final year of our Hope House capital campaign. Construction is well underway, and Hope House will be ready to welcome its first guests in May 2023.

Hope House will be a place where stories begin – where survivors who have left everything

behind to escape situations of violence and exploitation have the time, space, and resources to create futures free from abuse and full of potential. With your support, the possibilities are endless.

Biyu and Li Jun moved out of our transitional housing program and into an apartment of their own. A few weeks later, Biyu sent a touching montage of photos with these words, "We did not feel alone here. There is love here. To all the lovely heroes that took care of us—thank you. You are all my superhero!"

If you would like to learn more about our Hope House capital campaign, please visit wtlc.org/hopehouse or reach out to Alycia Capone, Chief Advancement Officer at (714) 992-1939 x 104 or by email at ACapone@wtlc.org.

# HOPE HOUSE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN Where Stories Begin



## Healing takes time.

Join us as we build a safe, welcoming, and comfortable home for survivors to recover from violence and exploitation.

- Safe and secure transitional housing for up to 24 months at no cost to the survivor;
- Access to counseling, legal advocacy, case management, and holistic supportive services;
- Individual Service Plans that outline the survivor's financial, mental, emotional, housing, educational, and career goals;
- Shared, pet-friendly space that allows survivors to build community and find healing.

Learn more at wtlc.org/hopehouse

"We did not feel alone here. There is love here. To all the lovely heroes that took care of us - thank you. You all are my superhero!" - Biyu



Duchenne muscular dystrophy is a devastating muscle disease in children. It affects roughly 1 in 5,000 male births and is 100% fatal. But it doesn't have to be.

For 20 years, we have funded groundbreaking research, early diagnosis, and treatment access, as well as pioneered education and support programs to improve care. In fact, since our inception, life

expectancy for individuals living with Duchenne has increased by 10 years. But that's not enough—we won't stop until there is a treatment for every person with Duchenne.

For the first time, there is hope for this destructive disease affecting thousands of children and their families. You can advance the care, treatment and cure for Duchenne muscular dystrophy.

## **DONATE TODAY TO** ACCELERATE THE CURE



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## Free Rein Foundation's Extraordinary Mission of 'Horses Helping Humans'

Nestled in the heart of Huntington Beach, an open-air sanctuary surrounded by field and forest beckons. Here in the Free Rein Foundation pasture, human-horse connections spark self-discoveries and personal empowerment.

Free Rein specialists and rescued horses come alongside inner-city youth from the Boys and Girls Club, YMCA, Sunburst Youth Academy, Los Angeles Police Department and Huntington Beach PD to help address all-too-real issues, ranging from bullying, substance abuse and anxiety to risky behaviors and relationship problems.

#### **Unconventional care**

A series of non-riding sessions are facilitated by Eagala (Equine Assisted Growth and Learning Association) certified and licensed mental health professionals and horse handlers. Therapists combine experiential psychotherapy techniques, such as role-playing and mirroring, with equine activities like grooming, haltering and leading horses.

"We provide a safe, non-threatening and enjoyable space to learn valuable life lessons," explains Free Rein Foundation President Justine Makoff. "We began this program 10 years ago and it's evolved into a highly unique, respected and effective equine therapy program. No session or encounter is alike. Horses are highly sensitive and respond differently depending on a person's energy. It's so gratifying to see clients come away with more confidence, greater trust, better impulse control or new problem-solving skills."

#### A stable home and noble purpose

Free Rein's rescued therapy horses typically have backgrounds marred by abuse or abandonment. Some may be adopted to a carefully vetted, well-suited forever home. Others will live out their lives in the pasture. Each is lovingly cared for by equine health professionals and a well-trained, all-volunteer crew.

#### Mustang rescues mounted

In 2019, Free Rein expanded its mission by responding to the wild (feral) mustang crisis of severe overpopulation, made worse by the West's prolonged drought. Nearly three times more horses roam public land in the Western U.S. than the fragile, shrinking terrain can sustain. More than 50,000 mustangs have been violently rounded up by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), kept in holding pens awaiting adoptions that may never happen. Many are slaughtered.

Free Rein has already rescued a dozen beautiful mustangs who are patiently



gentled and found forever homes.

#### Unique ways to champion Free Rein

Supporting Free Rein's non-profit mission can be extremely satisfying for all ages: *Take a Free Rein Ecotour.* Discover this hidden gem on a 90-minute tour. Meet the rescued horses in the pasture; tour the 400-horse Huntington Central Park Equestrian Center; and mosey through the neighboring Urban Forest of more than 8,000 CA-native and CA-friendly trees and plants for native and migrating birds and local wildlife habitat.

**Join us for a Hug & Groom**, held the first Sunday of each month. Brush the horses and learn about them while visiting with our dedicated volunteers. Space is limited to ensure guests have ample time with each horse.

**Book a Corporate Team Building Workshop**, custom-designed for your organization. Coworkers leave their cares behind to spend time getting to know the herd and each other.

Learn more at freereinfoundation.org.





## **Building a Compassionate Foundation**

Join us on our trail-blazing mission:
"To heal humans and rescued horses by creating a bond that empowers and nurtures both."

We're rounding up boots-on-the-ground pardners. Come say "Howdy!" at one of these one-of-a-kind experiences:

- Free Rein Ecotour
- Hug & Groom community event
- Corporate Team Building Workshop



For more details, please click on our QR code or go to freereinfoundation.org. You can also check out Free Rein Foundation on Facebook and Instagram.

Horsing around is healing!



## A Tasty Take on Philanthropy: Non-Profit Dining at Andrei's Conscious Cuisine

Many have come to know and love Andrei's Conscious Cuisine & Cocktails in Irvine for its seasonal, responsibly-sourced menu, fantastic Happy Hour, and sophisticated-yet-relaxed atmosphere – all of which has positioned it as a local favorite and prime 'power lunch' spot for the OC business community for over a decade. Many may not know, however, that for every dollar spent dining at Andrei's, 100% of the restaurant's net profit is paid directly forward to the Andrei Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization which is dedicated to supporting local non-profit initiatives and programs that are making a huge difference in the lives of others.

Established in October 2009, the Andrei Foundation (www.andreifoundation.org) was born in the wake of the same tragedy that prompted the opening of Andrei's Conscious Cuisine & Cocktails by the Olenicoff family less than a year later – the loss of their son and brother, Andrei. Both commemorative endeavors would eventually go hand-in-hand as all profits passed on by the restaurant have backed a large majority of the charitable contributions made on behalf of the Andrei Foundation. Since its formation, the Andrei Foundation has donated over \$500,000 to an incredible roster of charitable organizations such as the Hoag Hospital Foundation, Miracles for Kids, Braille Institute, Guide Dogs for the Blind, O.C. Makapo Aquatics, and the Laguna Canyon Foundation. A great emphasis has been placed on supporting efforts that improve the quality of life for the blind/visually impaired as well as medical research related to eye diseases like Retinitis Pigmentosa, an affliction which Andrei experienced during his lifetime.

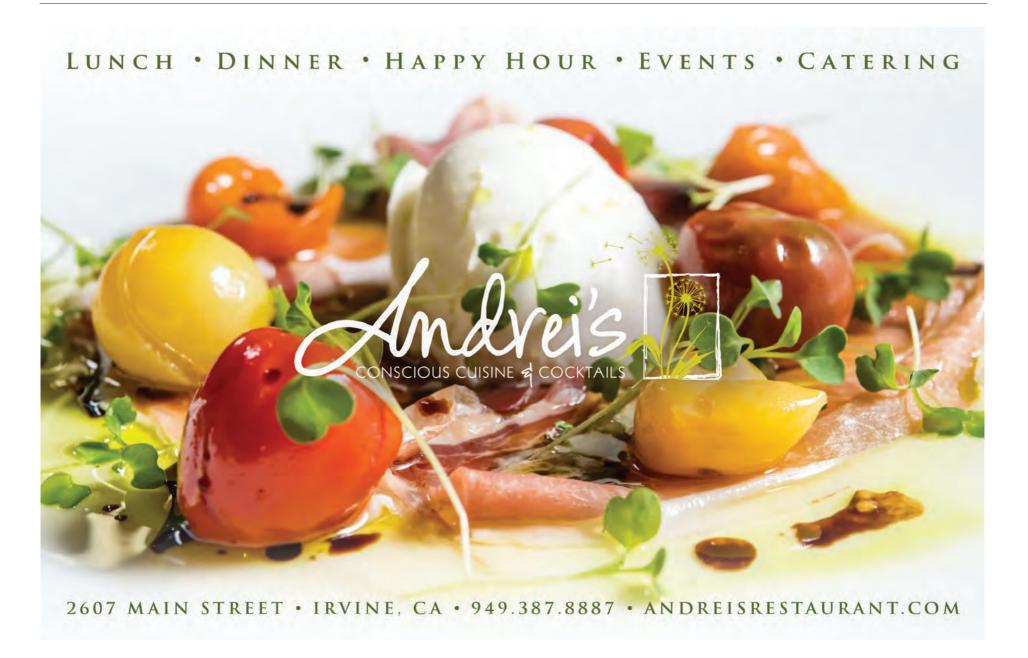
Just as the Andrei Foundation's mission is to preserve Andrei's memory and the legacy of kindness he left behind, so too is Andrei's Conscious Cuisine & Cocktails. A warm and welcoming place for his family, friends, and community to gather and enjoy great food and cocktails over great company. In culinary control of the kitchen is Executive Chef Porfirio Gomez who sources ingredients from local farms and ranches to invent dishes that delight the senses, and its California-inspired seasonal menu is sure to offer something for every palate. The



bar subscribes to the same philosophy, using only fresh juices, fruits, herbs, and liquors to develop a tantalizing array of specialty cocktails and a wine list that is equally thoughtful and diverse.

Andrei's location in the heart of Irvine makes it an excellent choice for everything from happy hour or a casual dinner to the perfect venue for your next event.

Andrei's is located at 2607 Main Street in Irvine at the corner of Jamboree and Main, with convenient access to the 405 and 5 Freeways. The restaurant is open to the public Tuesday through Friday 11:30am to 9pm (open until 10pm on Friday) and Saturdays from 4pm to 10pm. Valet and self-parking are available, and reservations can be made by calling (949) 387-8887 or via www.andreisrestaurant.com. For catering or event facility information and reservations, please contact the Events Team at events@andreisrestaurant.com.





## SUPPORTING CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS

Extraordinary Lives Foundation (ELF) has an important mission to improve children's mental health and wellness by providing awareness, educational tools, and resources.

The thriving nonprofit has served thousands of children and their families by bridging the gap between mental health medical professionals and holistic healers.

Founded by its passionate founder and leader Mara James, the vision of Extraordinary Lives is to inspire, empower, and teach the world to heal in a time of

suffering —
providing critical
community services throughout
the recent global
pandemic and
subsequent mental health crisis.



Dr. James Lin, Reproductive Fertility Center and

The author of two books based on the **Piggie Bear** character James created, the positive messages that encourage children through every feeling helping them to navigate emotions and cultivate happiness. Through all their programs and tools, ELF helps families learn to recognize symptoms, overcome the stigma and reach out for help. They believe many of the big problems facing today's youth can be transformed within a generation.

The **ELF Comedy Night Gala** is the nonprofit's largest annual fundraiser held for the first time this year at the beautiful Festival of Arts grounds in Laguna Beach on October 19. This special evening attracts 200+ business leaders, movers and shakers, and mental health professionals. The lively evening is sure to provide lots of smiles and laughs, networking, all in support of their children's mental health programs.

ELF welcomes participation of their annual Comedy Night Gala, volunteers for ongoing awareness events and they have a current opening on their board of directors. Call 949.484.9366 or visit elfempowers.org to learn more.



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