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The Orange County Business Journal is pleased to present our 22nd 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 74 nonprofit organizations and foundations, 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.

Richard Reisman

Richard Reisman
Publisher & CEO

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Shelley Hoss: 25 Years on OC Nonprofit Frontlines

Champions Community Need with Vision, Heart

■ By KIM STEMPER

IRVINE—During Career Day in her second-grade classroom, seven-year-old **Shelley Hoss** scanned a list of future jobs for girls. It was 1970, and the choices were limited – teacher, secretary, nurse.

That night at dinner, her father **Norm Westmore** asked his daughter what she wanted to do when she grew up. Hoss answered, “Secretary.”

Her father didn’t miss a beat, saying “Secretary is a fine thing to be, but have you ever thought about being the president of the company?”

“It was like someone had just opened a door I didn’t know existed,” she recalled.

She walked through the door and never looked back.

This year, Hoss is celebrating her 25th year of leading the **Orange County Community Foundation (OCCF)**.

Early Years

Hoss says her father, a **Pacific Bell** executive, championed women and diverse communities while her mother, **Claire**, a teacher and “force of nature,” explored early self-



help, yoga and meditation.

Her parents encouraged her and her sister to speak up, hosting Sunday evening “family meetings” with agendas and rotating chairs, even for the girls.

“I gained confidence at a young age because I always felt my voice mattered,” she told the Business Journal.

At age 10, the family relocated from Southern California to New Jersey where she fell

in love with New York City.

Industrious by nature, she landed small jobs, even serving hors d’oeuvres at neighbors’ parties to save for a horse. “I never did get a horse, but I saved \$100, which I thought was pretty great!”

She returned to California in the eighth grade and eventually attended **University of California, Riverside**. Hoss joined a group of students who gave campus tours, eventu-

ally becoming its president.

“I just figured it out on the job,” she said.

The group operated out of the Chancellor’s Office, giving her an early look at high-level leadership. Advisor **Ruth Conley** reinforced her confidence: “How do you learn to do things except by doing them?”

Planning to earn a Master of Public Administration, Hoss first sought experience. An internship at a hospital led a female executive to advise: “Get your MPA but also your MBA, for credibility as a woman.”

Turning Point

After graduating in 1985, Hoss volunteered at a camp for abused children in foster care. “I saw the transformative power of reflecting a child’s value back to them,” she said.

Back home, she enrolled in UC Irvine’s combined MBA/MPA program (MBPA). A fellow student suggested she research the new **Orangetown Children’s Home**. Hoss, not fully aware of local government structures, simply cold-called **Thomas “General” Riley**, the chairman of the **Orange County Board of Supervisors**. To her surprise, he met with her for over an hour and invited her to the facility’s dedication.

“I tell young people all the time—lean in to not having a clue. It’s unbelievable where it will get you,” she said.

That meeting led her to meet **Bill Steiner**,

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Making Waves

UC Irvine doctoral graduate and scholarship recipient Daniel Kahl has spent his career trying to preserve Southern California's shrinking beaches, persuading scientists and policymakers to rethink conventional wisdom about coastal erosion. He credits his award-winning research endeavors to generous donors who contributed to small, high-impact scholarships and fellowships that funded his UC Irvine master's degree. Stories like this underscore the direct impact the Brilliant Future campaign has already had and will continue to make right here in Orange County.

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Doug Freeman: The Man Behind National Philanthropy Day

From Lawyer to Visionary Champion of Giving

■ By KIM STEMPER

IRVINE—On a crisp night in the San Bernardino Mountains, a teenage **Doug Freeman** spent some quiet time alone after a long day wrangling 10 energetic boys as a YMCA camp counselor. Above him, the sky stretched wide, every star bright against the darkness. In that moment, Freeman felt a rush of gratitude for his parents, his three brothers and the life he'd been given. Right then, he made himself a promise: "I've got to do something important with my life."

That promise would become his compass.

Freeman's sense of gratitude was no accident; it was the foundation his parents, **Jack and Elaine Freeman**, built for their four boys. Growing up, the four Freeman boys were a tight-knit crew, inventive enough to draw "homes of the stars" maps and sell them to tourists for a dollar.

"We just had a wonderful family," Freeman told the Business Journal.

Finding Purpose

Freeman, executive chair and CEO of the Irvine-based non-profit **OC Music & Dance**, learned about charity at an early age by working at the **Westchester YMCA** where he met kids from low-income families whose lives looked nothing like his own.

Neil Peterson, the YMCA's board chair and an insurance executive, taught Freeman, "It's our responsibility to better the lives of others."

After graduating from Stanford, Freeman attended **UCLA School of Law**; he also married his high school sweetheart **Lynn**; the couple have been married for 58 years.

A Legal Career Guided by Integrity

Fresh out of law school, Freeman joined an independent firm before serving as a lawyer in the Air Force from 1971–74, remaining a reserve officer until 1981.



Lynn and Doug Freeman

"I had a great time," he says. "Those were some of the best years of my life."

When he sought a loan to start his own firm, **Union Bank** almost declined him until one manager, **Matt Solomon**, overheard the Freeman name. Solomon knew Jack Freeman as "the most ethical businessman I know" and approved the \$20,000 loan.

"That loan came entirely because of my dad," Freeman said. "My dad was always my north star when it came to business and integrity."

A few months after setting up his firm, Freeman faced an early test. When his one paying client asked him to do something he felt was unethical, Freeman refused, losing the account.

"The good news is that my integrity is still



Doug Freeman (at podium) speaks at the Celebration of Heroes event

intact," he told Lynn. "The bad news is, we don't have any clients."

Lynn calmly replied, "Don't worry. We'll get another one."

Not long after, Freeman's brother **Richard** joined the firm, followed by a young real estate lawyer named **Bruce Smiley**, whom Freeman had met at the independent firm. The firm became **Freeman, Freeman & Smiley**.

By the time Freeman retired four decades later, Freeman, Freeman & Smiley had 65 lawyers and 150 employees. Through the years, Freeman never lost sight of the promise he'd made in the mountains. He gravitated toward nonprofit clients, blending law with service.

Creating National Philanthropy Day

Freeman was inspired to create National Philanthropy Day in 1981 after thanking a group of donors. In that moment, he realized that words of gratitude, while heartfelt, weren't enough.

"We celebrate so many things in this country. Why not the people who give their time, talent and treasure to make life better for others," he thought.

What these generous individuals truly deserved was a national celebration. That insight became the foundation for National Philanthropy Day, envisioned to honor the many forms of giving—donations, board service, or volunteer time. Each year, millions of dollars and thousands of volunteer hours fuel nonprofits, enabling them to deliver vital programs and services to those in need.

As he worked to bring the idea to the highest levels of government, Freeman quickly discovered the scale of the challenge. Launching National Philanthropy Day would cost about \$250,000 annually—covering travel, publicity, consultants, and lobby groups in every state—long before it could even reach President **Ronald Reagan**'s desk. Convincing donors to support a cause benefiting people they had never met, in places they had never been, became what Freeman called the hardest sales job of his life. But he succeeded.

"I explained to them, 'We have been blessed with generosity unheard of for people in humanity,'" Freeman said. "We've got to recognize people.' I never met Dr. Mayo

(Mayo Clinic) but darn if he didn't build an incredible hospital institution. At the end of the day, these people have changed the quality of life, not just for their family or their community but for the entire country and around the world."

It took about a few years to win the correct approvals.

In 1986, President Reagan proclaimed Nov. 15 as National Philanthropy Day.

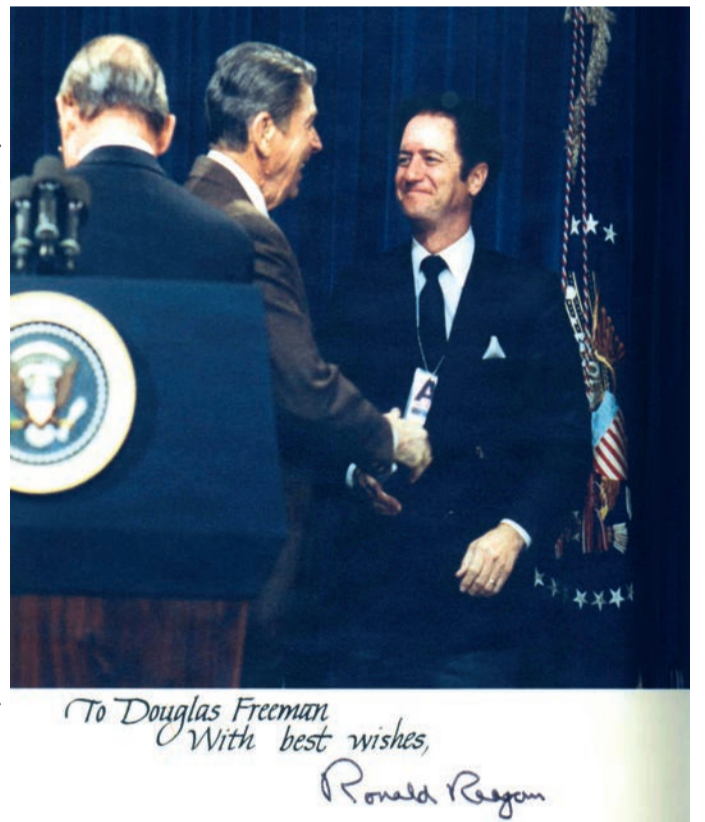
This year, Freeman plans to mark the 40th anniversary of NPD on Nov. 13, which happens to be his 80th birthday. For four decades, this day has honored the spirit of giving that strengthens communities and inspires positive change. Now celebrated worldwide, it honors generosity and inspires others to give.

NPD isn't the only award event Freeman has founded. He also created the **Vision in Philanthropy Awards** to recognize individuals who have made significant contributions to the philanthropic community. The annual awards include grants to support the winners' initiatives. **Celebration of Heroes**, also founded by Freeman, recognizes scientists who developed vaccines that saved 14 million lives during the recent pandemic and the first responders.

"It's really about saying thank you. Because when we thank people for giving, we encourage more giving."

The Legacy

Freeman's friendship with **Charlie Zhang**, a Chinese immigrant who founded locally based **Pick Up Stix**, led to the creation of the **OC Music & Dance**, which provides music and dance training to youngsters. Later this year, they will celebrate the groundbreaking of a new



Doug Freeman, founder, National Philanthropy Day, and President Ronald Reagan

\$50 million performing arts center at the **Great Park**. Freeman said the 110,000-square-foot campus is expected to open in 2027.

"Doug has so much personal integrity and honesty," said Zhang. "He is a role model for younger generations. An honorable husband, father, and grandpa."

Zhang adds that Freeman is "the father of OCMD."

The list of nonprofits Freeman has served—as a board member, former chair, founder, or volunteer—is long, including **Pacific Symphony**, **UCLA Foundation**, **California Institute of the Arts**, **UCI Foundation** and **The Literacy Project**. His commitment to service has spanned 65 years.

Through it all, Freeman has stayed true to that promise he made under the stars so many decades ago:

"I've got to do something important with my life." ■



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Shelley Hoss

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Orangewood's founding executive director and her lifelong mentor. After interning there, she joined full-time in 1986, eventually becoming second-in-command before leaving in 1996 to lead **Girls Inc.** Four years later came her biggest challenge: OCCF, which helps guide donations to worthy causes.

A New Chapter

Founded in 1989 by **Judy Swayne** to create a permanent home for local philanthropy, OCCF grew to a respectable \$42 million in assets and 145 funds in its first decade. When Swayne stepped down in 2000, the board approached Hoss, then leading Girls Inc. Initially she declined until her fiancé, **Alan**, weighed in. He asked, "Have you ever completely failed at anything you've tried, ever?"

That gave her the confidence to accept. She started in May 2000.

Twenty-five years in, Hoss speaks at national conferences, mentors emerging leaders and champions causes reflecting the county's diverse needs.

Kate Duchenne, OCCF board finance chair and incoming vice chair, calls her "one of the most inspirational leaders I've ever known. She has a huge heart and cares about the issues impacting the community. Her heart and brain operate together."

Former OCCF board chair **Keith Swayne**, husband of founder Judy Swayne, adds: "Shelley can set forth a vision that everyone can buy into, and the skills to get there. She's really skilled at connecting with people from all walks of life. Her energy is contagious."

Steadfast

Over the last two-and-a-half decades, Hoss



has guided OCCF's growth. As of July 2025, OCCF manages nearly \$800 million in charitable assets with over 650 funds, ranking in the top 1 percent nationally for grant activity. Since 1989, it has facilitated more than \$1.1 billion in grants and scholarships; in FY 2025 alone, it awarded over \$100 million.

Along the way, Hoss has met severe challenges from the 2008 recession to COVID-19. The pandemic forced an overnight shift to re-

mote work for her 30-person staff but also gave newly hired EVP and COO **Tammy Tumbling** "the most comprehensive onboarding" possible. With Tumbling's promotion to president in 2024, Hoss now focuses on outward-facing CEO responsibilities.

Current concerns include federal budget cuts threatening nonprofits.

Reflecting on her career, Hoss circles back to her father's dinner-table question decades



Shelley Hoss, far left, attends a mural brush ceremony in Little Saigon. Tam Nguyen, second from left, co-owns Advance Beauty College in Garden Grove and serves on the OCCF board

ago.

For her, running an organization isn't about power or prestige but shaping something meaningful.

"We need to be thoughtful, very strategic, long-horizon... and also really present and accessible to those on the front lines," she said. "Courage, confidence, and resilience. We can actually be agents of support for our nonprofit leaders." ■

Corporate Foundations Prioritize Youth Healthcare, Education

Hyundai Hope on Wheels Gives \$200K to CHOC

By YUIKA YOSHIDA

ORANGE COUNTY — Orange County's largest corporate foundations increased their donations by 1.4% this year, contributing a combined \$15.3 million in cash and in-kind support. Much of that funding targeted pediatric healthcare and youth education.

Newport Beach-based Pacific Life Foundation topped this year's list.

It's affiliated with the second-largest private company in Orange County, Pacific Life Insurance Co., which had \$16 billion in revenue in 2024.

For Pacific Life, the foundation's giving is tied to the company's growth, according to Pacific Life Chief Executive Darryl Button.

"As Pacific Life continues to grow, so will our contributions to the community," Button told the Business Journal.

While OC donations at Pacific Life Foundation fell 8.8% to \$4.5 million, its total giving increased 8.2% to \$9.1 million. Its assets climbed 6.3% to \$134.5 million.

In January 2024, the foundation notably gifted \$1 million to the Hoag Hospital Foundation in support of the hospital's \$1.2 billion campus expansion in Irvine. At the time, Pacific Life said "commitment to seeing Orange County communities and workers thrive made supporting Hoag's Irvine campus a natural fit."

The foundation has committed to giving

\$750,000 over five years to support Orange County United Way's SparkPoint financial literacy center at Kinoshita Elementary School in San Juan Capistrano.

Pacific Life supports other youth education organizations including the Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Orange Coast, Pretend City Children's Museum and summer high school residential programs hosted at the University of California, Irvine.

The total assets of the 16 foundations on this list rose 7.7% to \$7.3 billion, most of which is in the Bank of America Foundation.

Missing from this year's list is Wells Fargo's foundation; a spokesman said it's unable to participate this year because it's revising its local data. In 2023, it donated \$1.4 million to Orange County charities.

The biggest increase was 262% at Irvine-based Taco Bell Foundation, which gave \$470,000 in 2024.

This year, the foundation distributed community grants to 11 OC organizations, including a \$75,000 grant to Orangewood Children's Foundation and \$70,000 to Boys & Girls Club.

"This year's community grants reflect our commitment to inventing in the future of Orange County youth and helping them to reach their full potential," Lisa Cardin, executive director of the Taco Bell Foundation, told the Business Journal.

Local Automakers Give Back

Corporate foundations of local automakers also gave to several youth-related initiatives,



Hyundai and its giving arm, Hyundai Hope on Wheels, donated \$200K to CHOC in June for pediatric cancer research

including pediatric healthcare and youth arts education.

Hyundai Hope on Wheels, the giving arm of Hyundai Motor America in Fountain Valley, increased its OC giving 22% to \$365,000.

Founded in 1998, the foundation says it has donated more than \$250 million to help upwards of 25,000 children fight cancer.

"For 27 years, Hyundai Hope on Wheels has filled a vital gap in supporting pediatric cancer research," a spokesperson told the Business Journal.

In June, Hyundai and Hyundai Hope on Wheels announced a \$200,000 donation to the Children's Hospital of Orange County, now part of Rady Children's Health.

Combined, Hyundai and Hyundai Hope on Wheels have donated approximately \$12.9 million to CHOC, including Hyundai's original \$10 million investment in 2011 to establish the Hyundai Cancer Institute at CHOC.

Genesis Motor North America's corporate foundation, Genesis Inspiration Foundation,

also directed its giving to youth programs.

The foundation donated \$3 million to 50 youth arts organizations last year. Recipients included Inner-City Arts, Amazing Grace Conservatory and A Place Called Home.

"Every child deserves to experience a quality education in the arts," Genesis Motor North America CEO and President Randy Parker said in a statement.

This year, it's committed to contribute the same amount to 83 organizations.

A portion of proceeds for every vehicle sold at a Genesis retailer goes to the foundation to provide more grants, according to the company.

Masimo Foundation Changes Name, Ownership

Dropping off the list this year was Masimo Foundation for Ethics, Innovation and Competition in Healthcare due to no longer being under Irvine-based medical device maker Masimo Corp. following last year's departure of founder Joe Kiani.

Last year, it was ranked No. 6 on the Business Journal's corporate giving list with total OC giving of \$1.3 million for the year ended March 2023.

"We have been going through many changes since Joe Kiani left," a spokesperson told the Business Journal.

It has changed its name to the Kiani Foundation and is now a family foundation.

Research Director Desmond Celso contributed to this report.

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1 (1)	Pacific Life Foundation⁽¹⁾ 700 Newport Center Drive Newport Beach 92660-6307 Website: pacificlifefoundation.com Email: plfoundation@pacificlife.com		\$4.5 million \$9.1 million	12/24	\$134.5 million	Education including college readiness and workforce development; Health and Human Services, Environment, Ocean Health and Marine Mammals; Civic, Community, and Economic Development; Arts and Culture	Program grants and capital grants -national	Pacific Life Newport Beach	Darryl Button CEO/president (949) 219-5002
2 (2)	Edwards Lifesciences Foundation 1 Edwards Way Irvine 92614-5688 Website: edwards.com/corporategiving Email: edwards_foundation@edwards.com		\$2.4 million \$19.1 million	12/24	\$81.4 million	Healthcare, education	Product donations, grants, employee engagement in charitable activities, in-kind donations, -international	Edwards Lifesciences Corp. Irvine	Amanda Fowler executive director (949) 250-2500
3 (3)	Irvine Co. 550 Newport Center Drive Newport Beach 92660-7010 Website: irvinecompany.com Email: information@irvinecompany.com		\$2.3 million \$11.2 million	12/24	wnd	Education, environment and innovation	Advanced science grants, educational enrichment support, environmental stewardship grants -Southern California	Irvine Co. Newport Beach	Donald Bren chairman (949) 720-2000
4 (4)	Bank of America Charitable Foundation Inc. 100 N. Tryon St. Charlotte, N.C. 28202-4000 Website: bankofamerica.com/foundation Email: foundation@bofa.com		\$1.6 million \$404 million	12/24	\$3.3 billion	Workforce development, job creation, health, community development, housing, small business, arts	Donations, sponsorships, Leader on Loan (loaned an executive to a non-profit for a year), leadership training for non-profits, financial literacy program, art conservation, board of directors -Southern California	Bank of America Corp. Charlotte, N.C.	Allen Staff president, Orange County (980) 386-9127
5 (7)	Angels Baseball Foundation 2000 E. Gene Autry Way Anaheim 92806-6143 Website: angels.com Email: dennis.kuhl@angels.com		\$1.3 million \$1.4 million	12/24	\$15.4 million	Education, Healthcare, Arts & Science, and Community related youth programs throughout the region	Monetary grants, donations for fundraising efforts, and scholarships -Southern California	Angels Baseball LP Anaheim	Dennis Kuhl president (714) 940-2000/(714) 940-2200

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6	Broadcom Foundation 19200 Von Karman Ave., Ste. 700 Irvine 92612-8518 Website: broadcomfoundation.org Email: paula@brcmfdn.org		\$592,315 \$4 million	12/24	\$113.3 million	STEM	Sponsorship of digital literacy / STEM initiatives -international	Broadcom Inc. San Jose	Paula Golden president (949) 464-4138
7	KPMG LLP 20 Pacifica, Ste. 700 Irvine 92618-3391 Website: kpmg.com/us		\$521,013 \$77.3 million	12/24	wnd	Education, community, vitality and mental health	Grants, volunteering and charitable contributions -Southern California	KPMG LLP New York	Mark Clemens office managing partner, Orange County (949) 885-5400
8	Taco Bell Foundation 1 Glen Bell Way Irvine 92618-3344 Website: tacobellfoundation.org Email: tacobellfoundation@tacobell.com		\$470,000 \$60.8 million	12/24	wnd	Education, college and career services	Community grants and scholarship programs -national	Taco Bell Corp. Irvine	Lisa Lane Cardin executive director (949) 863-4312
9	Hyundai Hope On Wheels 10550 Talbert Ave. Fountain Valley 92708-6031 Website: hyundaihopeonwheels.org Email: info@hopeonwheels.org		\$365,000 \$30.3 million	12/24	\$14.8 million	Pediatric Cancer Research	Childhood cancer research, treatment, support, and survivorship -national	Hyundai Motor America Fountain Valley	John Guastaferrro executive director, Hyundai Hope On Wheels (657) 583-5514
10	PIMCO Foundation 650 Newport Center Drive Newport Beach 92660-6310 Website: pimco.com/about-us/purpose Email: purpose@pimco.com		\$350,000 \$9.7 million	12/24	\$157.8 million	Food security, economic opportunity	Grants, volunteerism -international	PIMCO Newport Beach	Nate Brown director (949) 720-4745
11	Sunwest Bank Charitable Foundation 2050 Main St., Ste. 300 Irvine 92614-8279 Website: sunwestbankfoundation.org Email: info@sunwestbankfoundation.org		\$237,230 \$786,646	12/24	\$3.7 million	Housing, safety, health, hunger, education	Grants, employee match programs	H Bancorp LLC Irvine	Eric Hovde chairman/CEO (714) 881-3039
12	Farmers & Merchants Bank Foundation 302 Pine Ave. Long Beach 90802-2326 Website: fmb.com Email: foundation@fmb.com		\$226,500 \$504,050	12/24	\$3 million	Education, healthcare, human services, the arts and faith-fueled	Monetary grants -Southern California	Farmers & Merchants Bank Long Beach	Tiffany Roberts foundation director (562) 437-0011
13	Mazda Foundation USA Inc. 200 Spectrum Center Drive, Ste. 100 Irvine 92618-5004 Website: mazdafoundation.org Email: mazdafoundation@mazdausa.com		\$150,168 \$511,861	9/24	\$9.7 million	STEM education, workforce development, food security	n/a -national	Mazda North American Operations Irvine	Tom Donnelly CEO/president, Mazda North American operations (949) 727-1990
14	Genesis Inspiration Foundation 10550 Talbert Ave. Fountain Valley 92708 Website: genesisinspirationfoundation.org Email: info@genesisinspirationfoundation.org		\$150,000 \$3.5 million	12/24	\$2.9 million	Youth Arts Education	Nationwide grants for youth arts programs and access -national	Genesis Motor America Fountain Valley	John Guastaferrro executive director, Genesis Inspiration Foundation (657) 583-5514
15	Ducommun Incorporated 600 Anton Blvd., Ste. 1100 Costa Mesa 92626-7100 Website: ducommun.com		\$135,216 \$413,716	12/24	\$1.1 million	Community-based, humanitarian needs, military veterans, families of fallen service members, efforts to end child homelessness, STEM education	Donations, employee charitable giving campaign, charitable event sponsorships, college scholarships for children or grandchildren of employees -national	Costa Mesa	Stephen G. Oswald chairman/CEO/president (657) 335-3665
16	Sundt Construction 41 Corporate Park, Ste. 310 Irvine 92606-3135 Website: sundt.com Email: marketing@sundt.com		\$56,783 \$2.4 million	9/24	\$476,622	Youth, food insecurity, and veterans	Quarterly grants, volunteer support, and in-kind donation drives -international	Tempe, Ariz.	Ryan Nessen senior VP, California District Manager (949) 468-5309

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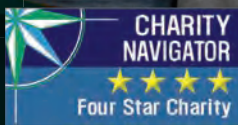
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Overcoming Homelessness

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Homelessness – A Different Perspective

Homelessness looks different among those who experience it, like Erica. Her childhood was marked by abandonment and abuse, leaving a deep ache for approval and an idealized family life. As an adult, this led to harmful relationships. Ultimately, she and her three sons ended up living in a motel – they were homeless.

She searched for shelters for women with children and found Orange County Rescue Mission’s Village of Hope. While visiting to learn more, she met a resident who shared her story. It was the nudge Erica needed to take a step of faith. “I needed to get my life together. I didn’t want my sons to pick up habits I refused to deal with,” Erica says.

Erica and her sons moved in and utilized all the programs offered. Stable and safe housing and psychotherapy are just a few services that helped them. Her faith grew stronger through her time in the program. “I’m no longer who I was a year ago,” she declares. Erica and her sons also had the opportunity to attend Family Camp at the Rescue Mission’s Double R Ranch – unlike anything they had ever



experienced. Her sons loved exploring the outdoors, riding horses, making S’mores around the campfire, swimming in the pool, and milking goats. This special family time created a lifelong memory, softening the years of struggle and hardship.

Today, she is employed full-time and on her way to a sustainable life. Erica has high hopes for her future and her sons’. Already a published author, she plans to finish her second book, complete her degree, and someday own a home.

For 60 years, Orange County Rescue Mission has served people in need. Time and time again, we witness how homelessness truly ends, one life — or one family — at a time. But ending homelessness requires more than just providing shelter and a bed. It requires sobriety coaching, mental health counseling, medical care, adult education, and vocational training.

Whether you are concerned about the adverse effects of homelessness in your community or looking for a compassionate option to care for hurting people with real and practical solutions, we encourage you to learn more at RescueMission.org or use the QR code. Orange County Rescue Mission is designated the highest rating on Charity Navigator, at 100% with four stars, for our organization’s transparency and cost-effectiveness.



Top OC Philanthropists Announced for 40th Annual National Philanthropy Day Awards

Visionary Orange County philanthropists, businesses and groups in eight categories will be honored at the **40th Annual National Philanthropy Day, Orange County Awards Luncheon**, taking place Thursday, Nov. 13, at the Grove of Anaheim. This year's theme is "Celebrating 40 Years of Generosity and Impact."

National Philanthropy Day, now celebrated worldwide, was conceived by Orange County businessman and philanthropist Douglas Freeman. Through Freeman's tireless efforts, in 1986 President Ronald Reagan formally recognized the observance, proclaiming the third Thursday of November a day to honor giving. Today, more than 140 Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) chapters in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Europe, and China take part in the celebration.

"From the beginning, the vision was to honor those making a difference—and to encourage others to give back," said Freeman, of Newport Beach, who turns 80 on Nov. 13 and remains deeply involved in local philanthropic efforts. "I'm proud of how the movement has grown, and even more so of the impact it continues to have in our communities."

Presented by the AFP Orange County Chapter and organized by a volunteer committee, National Philanthropy Day is the region's premier event honoring philanthropy, with more than 1,000 honorees recognized since its inception. This year, Orange County Business Journal is the event's Presenting Sponsor, PBS SoCal is the Broadcast Media Sponsor, and the Orange County Register is Community Media Sponsor. Hoag Hospital Foundation is the 40th Anniversary Ruby Sponsor.



Longtime Orange County automotive industry executive and philanthropist Donnie Crevier, of Laguna Beach, serves as Honorary Chair, while PBS SoCal's Maria Hall-Brown returns as host of the Nov. 13 event. This year's milestone celebration is Chaired by Kathy Ruvolo, retired UC Irvine Executive Fundraiser, of Aliso Viejo, and Co-Chaired by Matthew Wadlinger, Chief Brand Officer at

CASA Orange County, of Long Beach.

Selected from among more than 65 nominations, this year's honorees reflect the spirit of generosity that has defined the National Philanthropy Day since its founding.

About National Philanthropy Day

National Philanthropy Day, Orange County honors those who have demonstrated philanthropy and enhanced their community and the world. 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

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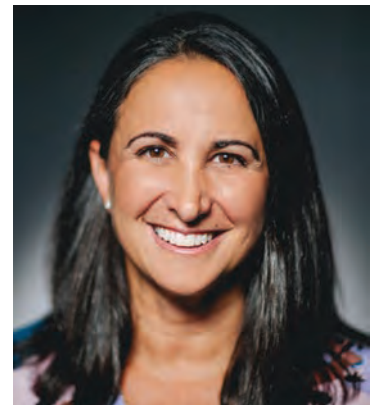
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2025 National Philanthropy Day, Orange County Honorees

Special 40th Anniversary Legacy of Giving Award – Samueli Foundation

Nominated by UC Irvine, Pathways of Hope, South County Outreach, Families Forward, Merage Jewish Community Center of Orange County, Jewish Federation of Orange County

Founded by Henry and Susan Samueli in 1999, the Samueli Foundation has contributed more than \$1 billion to initiatives that improve quality of life and create a thriving community. Headquartered in Corona del Mar, the foundation supports a wide network of organizations, including the Anaheim Ducks Foundation, Irvine Ice Foundation, and OC Sports & Entertainment. In 2023, the Samueli family began OC VIBE, a 100-acre development near Honda Center in Anaheim, to further invest in Orange County's future. Led by President Lindsey Spindle of San Clemente, the foundation emphasizes well-being, education, and civic transformation. The Samuelis, who live in Newport Beach, hope their philanthropy inspires others to give generously.



Outstanding Philanthropists – Benjamin and Carmela Du

Nominated by Hoag Hospital Foundation, Segerstrom Center for the Arts, Hope Ignites Southern California

Benjamin and Carmela Du have supported Orange County for more than 50 years, combining entrepreneurial success with a deep commitment to giving back. Their generosity towards Hoag Hospital includes funding the Benjamin & Carmela Du Endowed Chair in Urologic Oncology and the Du Emergency Pavilion. Recently, they pledged \$25 million for the expansion of Hoag's Sun Family Campus in Irvine, with the hospital pavilion named in their honor. Beyond healthcare, the DUs support education, arts, and Cristo Rey High School in Santa Ana. Longtime Newport Beach residents, they continue to model philanthropy for their children, grandchildren, and the broader community.



Outstanding Large Business – Automobile Club of Southern California

Nominated by Orange County United Way, Cal State Fullerton

Celebrating 125 years of service, the Automobile Club of Southern California is committed to improving mobility and safety while giving back to local communities. The Auto Club supports food banks, shelters, and education programs, with significant contributions to United Way of Orange County and Cal State Fullerton. It funds the Automobile Club of Southern California Endowed Student Fellowship in Global Risk Management and Insurance at CSUF, fostering future leaders. Through its MyClubCares program, employees receive paid time to volunteer, enhancing community engagement. Headquartered in Costa Mesa, the Auto Club blends exceptional member services with a legacy of corporate philanthropy.



2025 National Philanthropy Day, Orange County Honorees

Outstanding Small Business – Doing Good Works

Nominated by Doing Good Works

Irvine-based Doing Good Works is a social enterprise transforming business into a force for positive change. Since 2015, the company has reinvested nearly \$4 million into supporting individuals with foster care experience. Through DGW Branded, a promotional marketing agency, and Foster Greatness, its nonprofit arm, Doing Good Works funds education, mentoring and workforce programs. CEO Scott Henderson, of Laguna Niguel, and the Doing Good Works team have earned national recognition, including INC 5000 and Real Leaders Impact Awards, for their innovative work helping foster care youth transition into adulthood.



Outstanding Nonprofit Leader – Dawn Reese, CFRE, CEO, The Wooden Floor

Nominated by The Wooden Floor, Human Options, MVS Inc., Carlson & Jayakumar LLP, Keegan M. Bell

Dawn Reese, CFRE, CEO of The Wooden Floor, has transformed the Santa Ana-based nonprofit into a leading creative youth development organization. Under her leadership since 2009, The Wooden Floor has served more than 100,000 young people through dance, education, and mentoring. During that time, the organization’s budget has doubled, its endowment has grown to \$8.6 million, and every graduate has pursued higher education. Reese, who lives in Huntington Beach, has been recognized among Orange County’s most influential leaders and serves on numerous boards, fostering collaborations that expand opportunities for youth. Her vision and strategic leadership continue to inspire change throughout Orange County.



Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser – Alisa Abecassis

Nominated by CASA of Orange County, Jewish Community Foundation Orange County

Alisa Abecassis embodies the true spirit of volunteer fundraising, devoting her time and energy to supporting youth in foster care as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) since 2018. She has personally raised over \$57,000 for CASA by transforming her New Year’s Eve birthday celebrations into high-impact fundraisers. Known for her creativity, leadership, and compassion, Abecassis also serves on the Jewish Community Foundation’s Finance and Grants Committees and is Past President of FIDF Orange County. Living in Irvine, she leads by example, blending philanthropy with personal connection to create meaningful change for children and families across the region.



Outstanding Philanthropic Group – Women’s Circle of Wishes

Nominated by Make-A-Wish Orange County & the Inland Empire

Women’s Circle of Wishes is a dynamic network of female leaders, mothers, professionals, and community advocates, committed to granting life-changing wishes for children facing critical illnesses. Through its tireless fundraising, the Circle has raised more than \$2.3 million for Make-A-Wish Orange County & the Inland Empire, becoming its largest support group. The Circle’s innovative outreach and hands-on volunteerism have brought joy and comfort to countless children and families during their most challenging times. Spearheaded by its President Jillian Welch, of Corona del Mar, and fellow volunteers Mary Oronoz and Madison Bellan, both of Newport Beach, the Circle’s legacy is written in every smile, every wish granted, and every child who dares to dream because of their support.



Outstanding Youth or Youth Group – Rose Chhabria

Nominated by Girl Scouts of Orange County, Illumination Health, Sunrise Group, Vanguard University

Rose Chhabria, a 17-year-old Northwood High School senior in Irvine, is a Girl Scout, student leader, and community advocate. The school’s ASB Executive Board Secretary, she developed a digital entrepreneurship program for underserved youth and promotes mental health awareness through Hope Squad. She has also organized service initiatives with the H4H and Aalambana Foundations, distributing thousands of meals and essential items. A two-time President’s Volunteer Service Award recipient, she is passionate about civic engagement and helping others. Her leadership and service set a powerful example for youth across Irvine and beyond.



City of Hope Orange County's Cancer Specialty Hospital Is Built for a Single Purpose: Saving Lives



Nishan Tchekmedyian, M.D.

When Jeff Fitzhugh toured City of Hope's new cancer specialty hospital opening later this year in Irvine, he didn't expect to become emotional. But for Fitzhugh, a City of Hope grateful patient living with multiple myeloma, the thought of the hope others like him will experience there hit home.

"To see where City of Hope has come and what they are offering other patients that are following me — it's amazing. People who are going to be diagnosed with cancer after me — they get to start here," said Fitzhugh.

The only cancer specialty hospital in Orange County isn't just progress, it's a seismic shift in what's possible — led by City of Hope, one of the largest and most advanced cancer research and treatment organizations in the United States with its National Medical Center ranked among the nation's top cancer centers by *U.S. News & World Report*.

Seamlessly connected to City of Hope Orange County Lennar Foundation Cancer Center, the hospital will deliver a level of advanced cancer care unique to City of Hope.

"Where other hospitals and health systems must serve the broad spectrum of health conditions in our community, every physician and staff member at our cancer specialty hospital is solely focused on cancer," says Nishan Tchekmedyian, M.D., deputy physician-in-chief, City of Hope Orange County. "Comprehensive cancer care under one roof, closer to home, individualized to deliver better outcomes and better quality of life. City of Hope is different, and it makes all the difference for our patients."

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- **Breakthrough clinical trials:** Expanded access to more than 700 Phase 1 to 3 clinical trials led by City of Hope.

- **State-of-the-art medical equipment:** The most advanced technologies in cancer care, including the Da Vinci Robot surgical system and connectivity systems that can bring experts from across City of Hope into the four operating rooms to collaborate with the surgical team.

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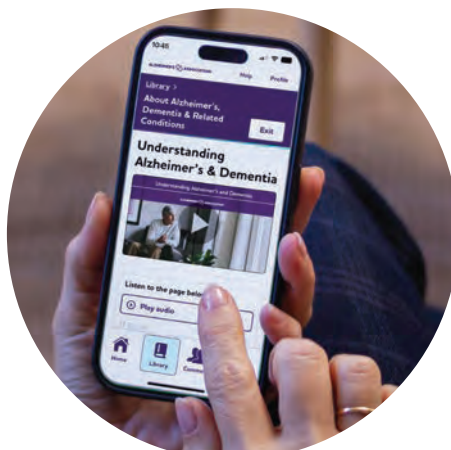
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Creating Endless Opportunities for California Youth

Changing the odds for kids is a mission Think Together has proudly upheld for over 25 years through partnering with schools and communities across California to provide expanded learning opportunities available for students who need them most.

As an expanding nonprofit organization, Think Together has worked to refine its program design to foster student agency, adventure and academic achievement, while promoting educational access, and connection between partnerships.

Think Together's programs reach over 180,000 California students each year, across 58 school districts and 19 charters. Key program topics include early learning, afterschool, expanded learning, and leadership development for teachers and school administrators to ensure student success regardless of their background.

Students like second grader Asher and fourth grader Melody from Newport-Mesa Unified School District are always excited for what's in store for them afterschool with Think Together, like Cooking Club. In the club, Asher and Melody put on their chef aprons and cook up tasty dishes like energy bars, pizza, cookies, and cupcakes.

Melody's favorite part is seeing her dishes all come together for her to taste. She feels happy when she's making something delicious and experimenting with her new cooking skills. For Asher, it's his first time learning to cook, and it has unlocked a new curiosity for him that has amplified his appreciation for Think Together.

"BY COMING TO THINK TOGETHER, YOU CAN DO SO MANY SUPER FUN ACTIVITIES," SHARED ASHER. "BEING IN THE PROGRAM MAKES ME A BETTER STUDENT BY LEARNING NEW THINGS AND I FEEL SAFE WHEN I'M THERE AFTERSCHOOL."

The Cooking Club at Asher and Melody's school is made possible through Think Together's partnership with Orange County School of the Arts (OCSA) to bring high-quality arts education, such as culinary arts, directly to students in the afterschool space. Together, Think Together and OCSA have served over 3,000 students state-wide with enriching arts education that touches base on not just culinary, but also dance and musical composition.

In addition to arts education, Think Together provides learning opportunities in STEM, sports, literacy, and beyond. For older youth there are college and career readiness workshops that offer internships, financial literacy, career exploration in diverse fields, and even scholarships to alleviate the financial cost that comes with college.

The Afterschool Alliance reports that young people who consistently participate in afterschool programs have a higher chance of obtaining higher earnings, higher educational attainment, and making better life choices.

"The key to success in our high school programs is the quality of our staff because we know that when our staff builds trust with our students, that's what makes students want to show up," shared Sean Magana, Think Together Older Youth Program Content Specialist.

Another large component of the extensive learning offerings Think Together provides is engaging summer enrichment to combat the summer learning slide through Think Summer. The nine-week program incorporates math, STEM, arts, sports, and so much more into fun experiential learning. For the summer of 2025, Think Together served 25,010 California students across 272 school sites with non-instructional day curricula.

Along with providing a multi-faceted learning space for students, Think Together's mission also extends to the parents and families it serves. The expanded learning programs provide a secure and nurturing space that parents trust to leave their children afterschool when they aren't able to pick them up right after the school bell rings.

"We love Think Together! We get excited every day, both me and my daughter, for what lessons she's going to have in the program and all the unique activities she gets to participate in," shared Newport-Mesa parent Kendyl. "It's not just childcare aspects we appreciate, it's the enrichment programs, the planning that goes into the day-to-day, the friends my daughter makes, and the teachers she loves."

Newport-Mesa Unified Principal Annalisa Schwartz has witnessed how Think Together makes students feel like they belong by supporting their goals and establishing strong connections with their families to truly understand their needs.

Championing organizations like Think Together means setting a steppingstone for the path that generations to come will walk on towards their bright futures. Any support from corporations, foundations and individuals has the potential to pave the way for future leaders, intellectuals, and pioneers.

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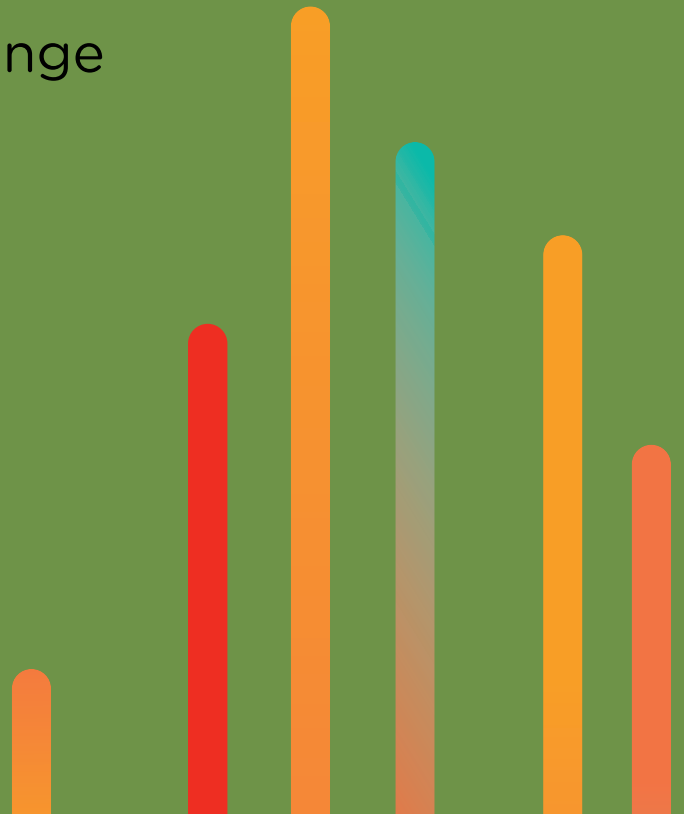
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Building a Strong Foundation: How Financial Acumen Fuels Philanthropy

BY BRIAN SCHAEFGEN, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

In the realm of philanthropy, the importance of stellar financial stewardship cannot be overstated. With over 30 years of financial experience and as the new Chief Financial Officer of the Orange County Community Foundation (OCCF), I see the profound impact of diligent financial management on driving meaningful change in our communities. At OCCF, we are entrusted with managing charitable assets that fund the causes our donors are most passionate about, and we hold this responsibility with the utmost of care, diligence and expertise.

THE STRENGTH OF BOARD GOVERNANCE

An integral component of our success is the intellect, experience and vision of our Board of Governors who bring unparalleled skills and experiences to OCCF. Outstanding board governance is essential to ensuring that our organization remains steadfast in its mission and transparent in its operations. Our board members provide strategic oversight, guide our financial stewardship and help us navigate the complexities of a robust investment portfolio of nearly \$800 million in charitable funds. Their expertise and dedication are crucial in maintaining the trust and confidence of our donors and the community.

PROACTIVE INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

At OCCF, we believe that astute and proactive investment management is key to protecting and growing the value of the charitable capital entrusted to our care. Our expert Investment Committee and independent investment advisor, Cambridge Associates, continually monitor market conditions and make recommendations to ensure alignment with the charitable goals of our donors. This vigilance enables us to respond swiftly to economic changes, protect charitable assets from downside market risk, and leverage new opportunities for growth.

The success of our investment strategy is evident in the remarkable growth we have achieved over our 35 years. Through diligent management and oversight, the funds under OCCF's care have increased significantly through investment earnings. In fact, over the past 35 years, we have added a staggering \$300 million to the assets under our stewardship through earnings on our investment portfolio. This is what we proudly refer to as "growing the good."

AMPLIFYING THE IMPACT OF PHILANTHROPY

The earnings generated from our investments play a crucial role in expanding the reach and influence of our donors' contributions. By increasing the funds available for charitable endeavors, we empower our donors to support the causes they care about most effectively. Amplifying resources means more scholarships for students, more support for local nonprofits, and more initiatives that address pressing community needs in Orange County, across the country and around the world.

Our donors' generosity, combined with our strategic financial management, creates a virtuous, growing circle of giving. As the value of our charitable assets grows, so does the potential for philanthropic impact.

To learn more about how OCCF supports our donors through strategic giving, contact Margita Blattner at mblattner@oc-cf.org.

A LEGACY OF TRUST AND RESPONSIBILITY

Through diligent stewardship, we can ensure that our donors' philanthropic intentions continue to thrive for generations to come. We recognize the trust placed in us by our donors and the community and approach our work with a deep sense of responsibility and commitment to transparency.

Our success is not measured solely by financial growth but by our ability to support the missions of our donors and the causes closest to their hearts. Through our strategic investment approach, strong board governance, and commitment to excellence, we are not just growing assets, we are growing momentum and potential for lasting change. That is the essence of "growing the good," a mission we are proud to uphold every day.

For those who wish to leave a lasting legacy for good, I invite you to join us on this journey of impactful giving in Orange County and beyond.

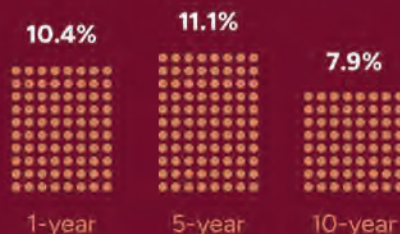


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- **Rachid Chamtieh, Chair, OCCF Board of Governors, Deloitte & Touche LLP**



"Effective governance is the backbone of our organization. By maintaining transparency and strategic oversight, we diligently guide the foundation in its mission to amplify philanthropic efforts across our community."

- **John M. Williams III, Vice Chair, OCCF Board of Governors, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP**



"Collaboration and innovation are at the heart of what we do. By leveraging diverse experiences and insights, we develop creative strategies that enhance our financial stewardship and maximize our donors' philanthropic impact."

- **Kate Duchene, Finance Chair, OCCF Board of Governors, RGP**



"Our investment strategy is designed to safeguard and grow charitable assets. By balancing risk and opportunity, we ensure that our donors' contributions not only maintain their value but create substantial and enduring benefits for the causes closest to our hearts."

- **Paul Westhead, Investment Chair, OCCF Board of Governors, Rimrock Capital Management**



"By ensuring transparency and accountability, we build trust with our community. This enables OCCF to mobilize resources effectively and address the most pressing needs, creating a more resilient and thriving Orange County."

- **Bob Whalen, Audit Chair, OCCF Board of Governors, Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth**



"As former Treasurer of the United States, I believe that accountability and integrity are essential to maintaining the trust of our donors and the community. Through rigorous audits and financial oversight, we ensure that our operations remain transparent and aligned with our mission."

- **Anna Escobedo Cabral, Incoming Audit Chair, OCCF Board of Governors, Cabral Group**

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Facing the Dementia Crisis in Orange County: Challenges, Hope, and How to Move Forward:

Q&A with Jim McAleer, CEO of Alzheimer's Orange County

Q: What are the challenges Alzheimer's disease and related dementias pose to Orange County?

Age is the primary risk factor for developing dementia, so as the number of older adults grows exponentially in our state and in our county so will the number of those affected by it.

Despite the growing numbers, many people affected aren't getting the help they need. A 2022 Milken Institute report found that while up to 10.8 million people in the U.S. are living with Alzheimer's or a related dementia, only 2.43 million are being treated for it. That's a staggering gap.

Denial, lack of awareness, financial, and cultural barriers and other factors could all be reasons why.

Q: Why is early intervention so key?

Getting an early diagnosis and support can be life changing. It gives you and your family more time to plan, access treatment, and get the education and services you need to take the first steps with confidence.

Early memory loss programs like our Memory University are a great testament to the effectiveness of our early-stage programs.

"I found the topics and the speakers to be very good. It was nice to be able to sit and have someone speak to us about relevant issues that we are facing and will be facing and what to do about it and providing resources on doing that," said Denise, a local caregiver and Memory University participant.

People don't have to wait for a crisis like an emergency room visit, caregiver burnout or other situations to seek support. Yes, this journey is difficult, but AlzOC can help make it smoother.

Q: Can you describe the importance of caregivers and the role they play?

They really are the unsung heroes of our community, and they need our help.

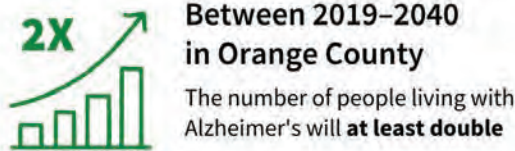
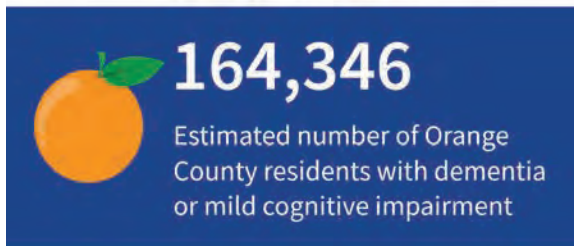
1.6 million Californians provide an estimated **1.8 billion hours** of unpaid care each year for loved ones with dementia. That labor is valued at **\$24 billion** and that doesn't include the great financial cost families have to cover.

The Milken Institute report I referenced earlier also showed how total healthcare costs for people with dementia were almost four times the costs of those without dementia.

The physical and emotional toll of caregiving can't always be measured in numbers, but it adds up to a significant personal cost. Caregivers often juggle the demands of

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE & AGING IN ORANGE COUNTY:

Challenges and Needs



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supporting a loved one while working, raising children, and sacrificing their own well-being.

We support caregivers with resources like our Healthy Aging Center: Acacia. Adult day health centers like Acacia offer daytime care for participants and much-needed relief for families at a fraction of the cost of skilled nursing facilities. These programs don't just fill a need; they improve the quality of life for everyone involved.

As one participant put it:

"The care my mom receives has made a huge difference in her life. My mom is much happier and healthier because of them." — Ngoc Bao Han Dang

Q: What is Alzheimer's Orange County doing to address these issues on the ground?

Everyone experiences this journey differently, but AlzOC can meet each person where they are. Whether you just received a diagnosis, are deep into your caregiving experience or dealing with the grief and aftermath of losing a loved one, we are a partner that will walk alongside you and provide you with the support that fits you and your family's needs.

We offer:

- **A free helpline** staffed by dementia care specialists, ready to answer questions
- **Over 60+ support groups** online, in-person, and for different needs
- **Free weekly education courses** that build understanding and teach new skills
- **Social and art programs** that keep participants engaged and connected
- **Multilingual support** available in Spanish, Vietnamese, Korean, Mandarin, and Persian
- **An adult day health center** that provides care in an enriching environment
- **And many other services** that made a difference for over **27,000** people in 2024

Q: What can local businesses, residents, and community leaders do to help?

Most people may assume that the first thing a nonprofit like us would ask for is a donation. Donations are certainly crucial to sustaining our mission, but one of the most important things anyone can do is help us spread the word. Far too many people are still suffering in silence, unaware we're here for them. If you know someone that is worried about memory loss, tell them about us.

No one should face dementia alone and when you connect with AlzOC, you won't have to. Those interested in learning more can visit www.alzoc.org or call our helpline at 844-373-4400.



Healthy Aging Center: Acacia participants engage in activities to keep them active



AlzOC staff member, Ben Allen, leads an educational course in the community

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BUILDING A FUTURE-READY ORANGE COUNTY: A LEGACY OF IMPACT AND A VISION FOR TOMORROW

For nearly 85 years, Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Orange Coast has been more than just a place for kids to go after school - we've been a cornerstone of opportunity, safety, and growth for generations of youth and families. Our legacy is built on decades of service, community trust, and an unwavering commitment to preparing the next generation for great futures.

Today, that mission is not only alive and well - it's stronger than ever.

This past year, we achieved milestone growth that has positioned us to serve more young people, meet families where they are, and bring 21st-century resources to communities across Orange County. Through strategic planning and bold vision, we've significantly expanded our reach, deepened our impact, and advanced our promise to be there for every child who needs us.



EXPANDING OUR FOOTPRINT, ELEVATING OUR MISSION

In 2025, we completed **two strategic mergers** that have redefined what's possible for youth development in Orange County. In January, we merged with Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Anaheim-Cypress, expanding our services into new communities. In July, we extended our impact to the city of Buena Park through a merger with the second oldest Boys & Girls Club in the county — another legacy Club that has faithfully served youth and families for generations.

These mergers have solidified our footprint across eight cities — **Anaheim, Buena Park, Costa Mesa, Cypress, Irvine, Newport Beach, Orange, and Santa Ana** — allowing us to reach more than 15,000 youth and their families annually.

But expansion for us is not just about geography. It's about **honoring the legacy of trusted community institutions**, expanding access, and amplifying impact. We believe every young person deserves the opportunity to succeed, regardless of zip code, background, or economic status. These strategic moves are helping us bring that vision to life — uniting resources, aligning services, and strengthening our ability to meet the evolving needs of youth and families across the region.

ADVANCING A MISSION OF COLLECTIVE IMPACT

This year marked a milestone with the launch of our **North OC Satellite Office at Cypress College** - our first College Bound and workforce readiness site located on a college campus. This expansion strengthens our teen strategy by connecting youth to real-world experiences that spark ambition and build the skills needed for college and career success.

Through College Bound, we **awarded over \$300,000 in scholarships** in 2025, helping teens and alumni pursue higher education with confidence. We also expanded partnerships across our communities, gaining access to 30+ new schools and teen centers, connecting more teens to mentorship and resources.

In response to rising demand, we've deepened collaboration with school partners across all eight cities we serve - bringing workforce and college readiness support directly to the students who need it most.



A STRATEGIC VISION FOR DEEPER IMPACT

Our strategic vision is built on four core pillars designed to amplify impact across all areas of service:

1. Deepen & Expand Teen Impact Strategy

Double the number of youth served through **College Bound and Workforce Development**, preparing teens for college, career, and life.

2. Enhance Club Learning & Intervention Services

Improve program quality, safety, and outcomes for younger members through academic support, social-emotional learning, and early interventions.

3. Strengthen Family & Mental Health Services

Expand access to **family strengthening and mental health resources**, increase our partner network, and drive operational efficiencies that benefit the broader nonprofit ecosystem.

4. Strengthen Organizational Capacity

Invest in business systems, talent, and infrastructure to deliver sustainable, high-quality services across our expanded footprint.

A CALL TO ACTION: INVEST IN A FUTURE-READY OC

As we look to the next 85 years, we know the future depends on what we do today. It depends on how we invest in youth, how we collaborate across sectors, and how we come together as a community to amplify impact.

If you believe — as we do — that every young person deserves the chance to learn, lead, and succeed, we invite you to be part of this movement.

Whether as a corporate partner, foundation, donor, or advocate, your support helps us provide critical programming, mentorship, scholarships, and support services to thousands of youth across Orange County.

Together, we can build a future-ready generation — and a stronger, more equitable Orange County for all.

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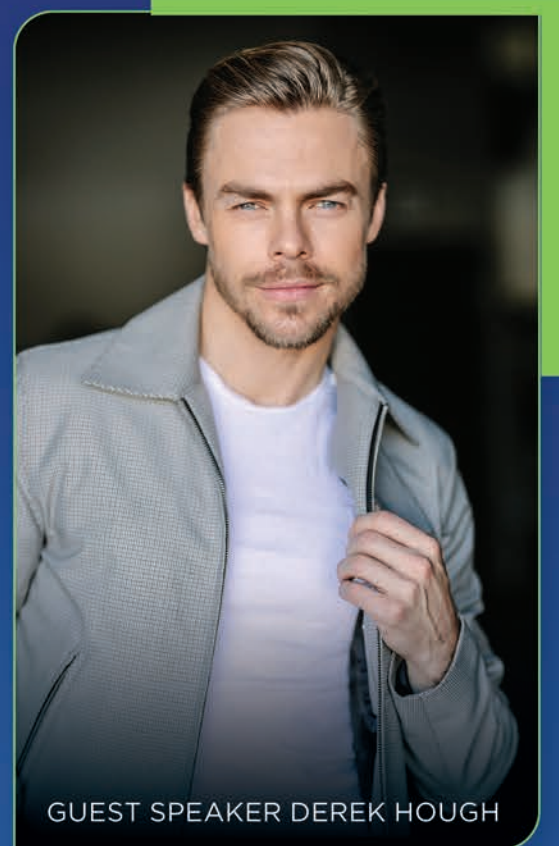
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GUIDING OUR KIDS TO SAFETY AND CONNECTION

This year, your presence, compassion and philanthropic support at CHOC Let's Talk will enable CHOC to address the challenges of bullying and social media and their effects on our children, adolescents and teens.



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Join us at CHOC Let's Talk and unite with our community to raise essential funds, build awareness and champion education on the mental health crisis affecting our youth today. **Together, we can make a difference.**

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Founded in Orange County in 2002 and headquartered in Newport Beach, Beacon Pointe combines local commitment with national reach of more than \$46 billion in assets under advisement and over 100 mission-aligned organizations served nationwide. We partner with many of Orange County's most respected nonprofits, helping them steward capital, sustain long-term missions, and align investments with values.

Why Orange County Nonprofits Choose Us

- Independent Fiduciary Advice – Majority employee-owned, women-led, conflict-free guidance.
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We do not just advise nonprofits; we serve alongside them. Through the Beacon Pointe Charitable Foundation and employee volunteer programs, we support dozens of local causes, including Free Wheelchair Mission, MemorialCare, Working Wardrobes, Girls Inc., Human Options, Second Harvest Food Bank, and more.

Your Mission Deserves More

In today's philanthropic landscape where transparency, accountability, and measurable impact matter most, partner with an advisor who understands both the financial and the mission-driven needs of Orange County nonprofits.

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Empowering the Innovators of Tomorrow

In a world where technology evolves rapidly, it's crucial to equip the next generation with the skills and knowledge to thrive. Genesis Motor America is committed to this mission by creating meaningful learning experiences that inspire and empower students nationwide. By partnering with the Child Creativity Lab, an Orange County-based nonprofit focused on creativity-enhancing STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) concepts, Genesis blends education with hands-on learning to spark curiosity and cultivate future innovators.

At the heart of this partnership is the belief that STEAM education is essential—not only to help students navigate a complex, technological world, but also to foster innovation and curiosity to drive future advancements. Genesis recognizes the importance of providing youth the tools to unlock their potential, encourage creativity, and fuel a passion for learning.

One highlight of the partnership is the co-branded STEAM Challenge Kit, which engages students in dynamic programming that encourages innovation. For example, in the Upcycled Vehicle workshop, students design and build future mobility

vehicles using upcycled materials like water bottles, cardboard, and bottle caps—items that might otherwise end up in landfills. This reinforces Genesis' commitment to sustainability while encouraging students to think creatively and practically. Students also hear directly from Genesis employees about the design and engineering process, helping connect classroom learning with real-world careers.



Genesis' support for education reflects a broader investment in the community and in future leaders. Through its Genesis Gives initiative, the company is dedicated to improving access to resources that help students succeed in the classroom and beyond. By supporting high-quality STEAM programs, Genesis is making a tangible difference in the lives of young people throughout Orange County and across the country.

The partnership between Genesis and Child Creativity Lab demonstrates how corporate support for STEAM education can profoundly impact both students and communities. By nurturing creativity and innovation through hands-on learning, Genesis is helping pave the way for a brighter, more inventive future—one student at a time.



GIVING THAT TRANSFORMS

Genesis Gives is a corporate social responsibility initiative from Genesis Motor America empowering the future generation through our support of youth sports programming, STEAM education, and sustainability in under-resourced communities.



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Sun Rising: Donor Support Fuels Specialized Health Care on Hoag's Sun Family Campus in Irvine

Transformational giving to the Boldly Hoag campaign from the Sun Family Foundation and thousands of generous community members is bringing Hoag's expanded Irvine campus to life. From construction of new facilities to the recruitment of the nation's top clinical talent, Hoag's supporters are empowering the campus—set to be complete in 2026—to redefine the way care is delivered.

The expanded campus includes dedicated buildings focused on specialized areas, including:

Cancer Care: Driving Research and Comprehensive Support

The Hoag Family Cancer Institute stands as the premier destination for cancer care in Orange County. Its new facilities in Irvine will feature a cutting-edge inpatient hospital alongside a comprehensive outpatient pavilion. With this expansion, Hoag will break new ground in treatment, diagnostics, and research.

Features:

- Two-floor cancer center integrating clinic and infusion spaces
- 24-hour oncology urgent care center, the first of its kind in the region
- Satellite laboratory for faster, on-site patient testing and diagnostics for targeted treatment
- Specialty pharmacy for oncology patients, delivering convenient and efficient medication services

Digestive Health: Accelerating Medicine for Personalized Treatments

Hoag's expert Digestive Health Institute team is making significant progress in advancing the field. New facilities in Irvine will feature sophisticated procedure suites and expanded capabilities. Through innovative approaches, multidisciplinary collaboration, and physician training, Hoag is shaping GI care and the next generation of specialists.

Features:

- 6 interventional suites with fluoroscopy imaging, including one with AI system for complex procedures
- Broadcast capabilities to enhance clinician training through procedure viewing
- Expanded research and collaboration spaces

Surgical Expertise: Advancing Care with Innovative Technology

The Surgical Pavilion will be the largest new structure on campus, expanding capacity with operating rooms, advanced robotic technology, and an intensive care unit designed to enhance the patient and family experience. This pavilion seamlessly blends cutting-edge technology with calming, healing environments to support better outcomes and comfort.

Features:

- 8 state-of-the-art operating rooms, including hybrid and cardiovascular suites
- Advanced robotic-assisted surgery technology
- Real-time surgeon-pathologist integration, reducing processing time during procedures

Women's Services: Supporting Every Life Stage

The Women's Health Institute will be expanded through a dedicated inpatient hospital and outpatient pavilion. From fertility and maternity to breast health, menopause, and beyond, women at every stage of life will receive personalized, expert care. Already California's busiest maternity hospital, Hoag anticipates more than 12,000 annual deliveries across its Newport Beach and Irvine campuses.

Features:

- 24 labor, delivery, recovery, and postpartum suites
- 17 neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) beds
- Comprehensive Breast Center



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Boldly Building Hoag's Sun Family Campus, Irvine

Thanks to philanthropy, Hoag is expanding its Irvine campus with state-of-the-art facilities for cancer care, digestive health, women's services, and advanced surgical capabilities that serve Orange County and beyond. Expanded facilities opening 2026.



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September is Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month

Going Gold. Giving Hope. Changing Lives.



Every day in the United States, 41 families hear the devastating words, “Your child has cancer.” In an instant, childhood changes forever. Dreams of playground adventures, birthday parties, and first days of school are replaced by hospital visits, difficult treatments, and an uncertain future.

Pediatric cancer remains the leading cause of death by disease among children, yet research for newer, safer, and more effective treatments remains drastically underfunded, receiving less than 4% of federal cancer research dollars.

At the Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation (PCRF), we believe every child deserves the chance to grow up healthy; and free from the fear of cancer. For over 40 years, our mission has been unwavering to fund the boldest, most promising research that advances cures, transforms treatments, and gives children their greatest chance at life.

Now, we are building on this foundation with a new strategic direction: funding the entire journey of pediatric cancer. From the child's experience during and long after treatment to the researchers' pursuit of groundbreaking discoveries, PCRF is dedicated to every step of the fight. We invest in innovative science, equitable access to care, survivorship and mental health programs, and next-generation research – ensuring every child not only survives cancer but flourishes beyond it.

Why We Are Going Gold

Gold is the color of hope, courage, and a commitment to change the future for children facing cancer. But awareness alone isn't enough – change happens when we turn awareness into action.

Our funding focuses where it matters most:

- **Cutting-Edge Research & Innovation:** Advancing groundbreaking discoveries that improve survival rates and reduce long-term side effects.
- **Equitable Access to Care:** Expanding access to treatments and clinical trials for children in every community.
- **Survivorship & Mental Health:** Supporting children and families during and after treatment to ensure healing, and lifelong well-being.

Your Support Saves Lives

Unlike adult cancers, pediatric cancer research lacks significant funding, leaving progress dependent on organizations like PCRF and compassionate donors like you. Your gift helps scientists test new therapies, launch clinical trials, and bring better treatments to children faster.

Every dollar matters. Every child matters. Together, we can create breakthroughs and care that give families more time, more options and more hope for a brighter future.

Join the Movement. Going Gold. Giving Hope. Changing Lives.

This September, you can stand with children and families impacted by pediatric cancer:



- **Donate:** Every contribution brings us closer to cures.
- **Wear Gold:** Show your support and spark meaningful conversations.
- **Share the Message:** Advocate for increased funding and awareness.
- **Partner with PCRF:** Amplify your impact through sponsorship or fundraising.

Together, we can change the story for kids facing cancer.

Visit PCRF-kids.org or scan the QR code to learn more and join the fight today.



Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation

2025 Reaching for the Cure Walk/Run

Executives for Kids

The Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation (PCRF) is grateful to these executives for their outstanding leadership and generosity. Their efforts raised \$250,000 to support research and care for pediatric cancer families, bringing us closer to cures and brighter futures.



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September is Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month



PCRF is dedicated to honoring the brave children facing cancer and advancing hope through groundbreaking research. With a bold \$25 million campaign, PCRF is focused on accelerating research, expanding equitable care, and improving mental health and survivorship for pediatric cancer patients.

Join PCRF in making a difference.

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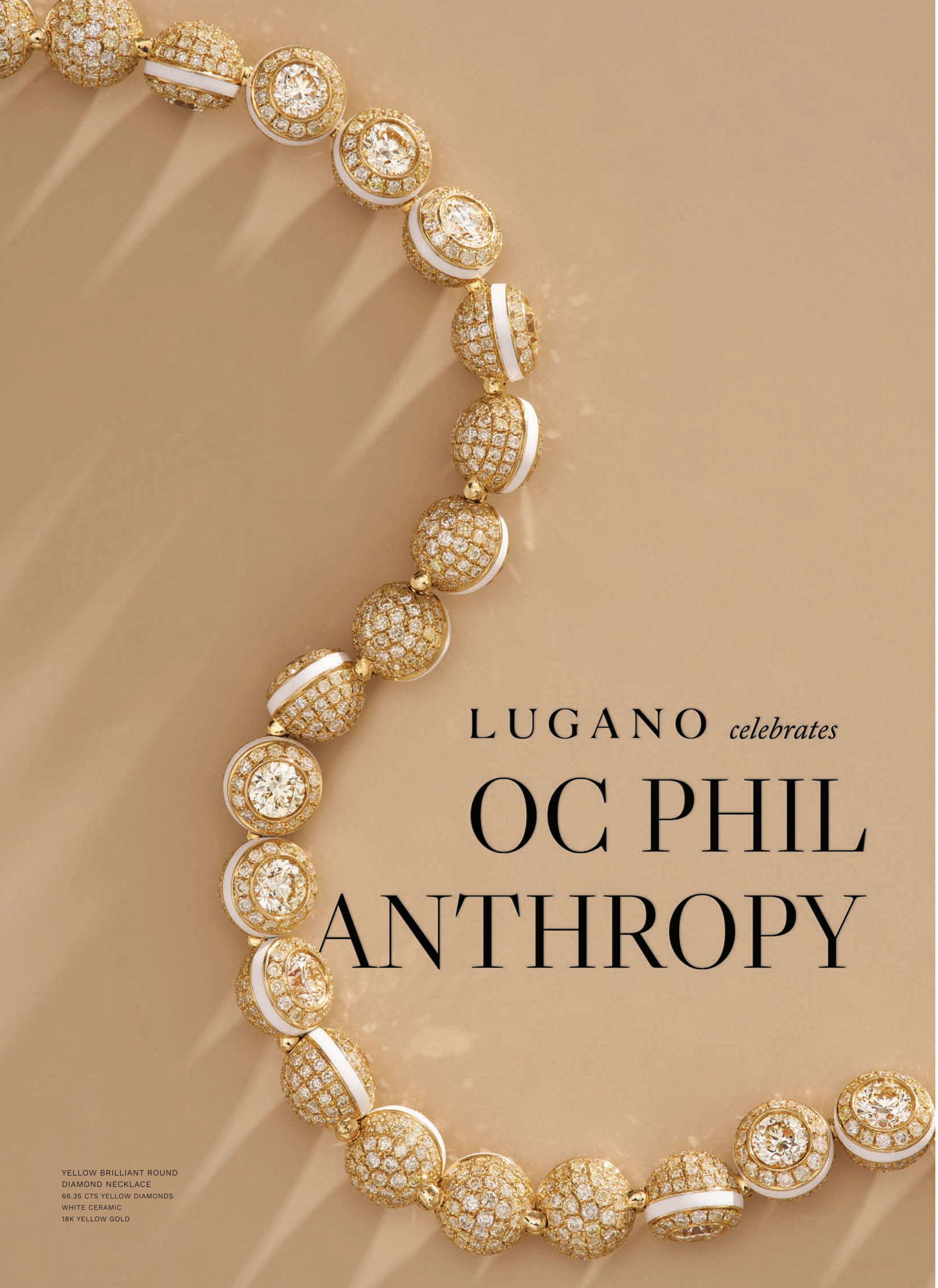
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Orange County may be known for natural beauty and an elevated coastal lifestyle, but what truly defines this community is generosity. Giving back isn't an exception, it's part of the culture. From advancing education and healthcare to supporting the arts—residents, organizations, and businesses here lead with purpose.

We're grateful to contribute to something greater than ourselves and are continually inspired by those working every day to create positive change. The impact made when people come together with compassion, vision, and a shared commitment is powerful.

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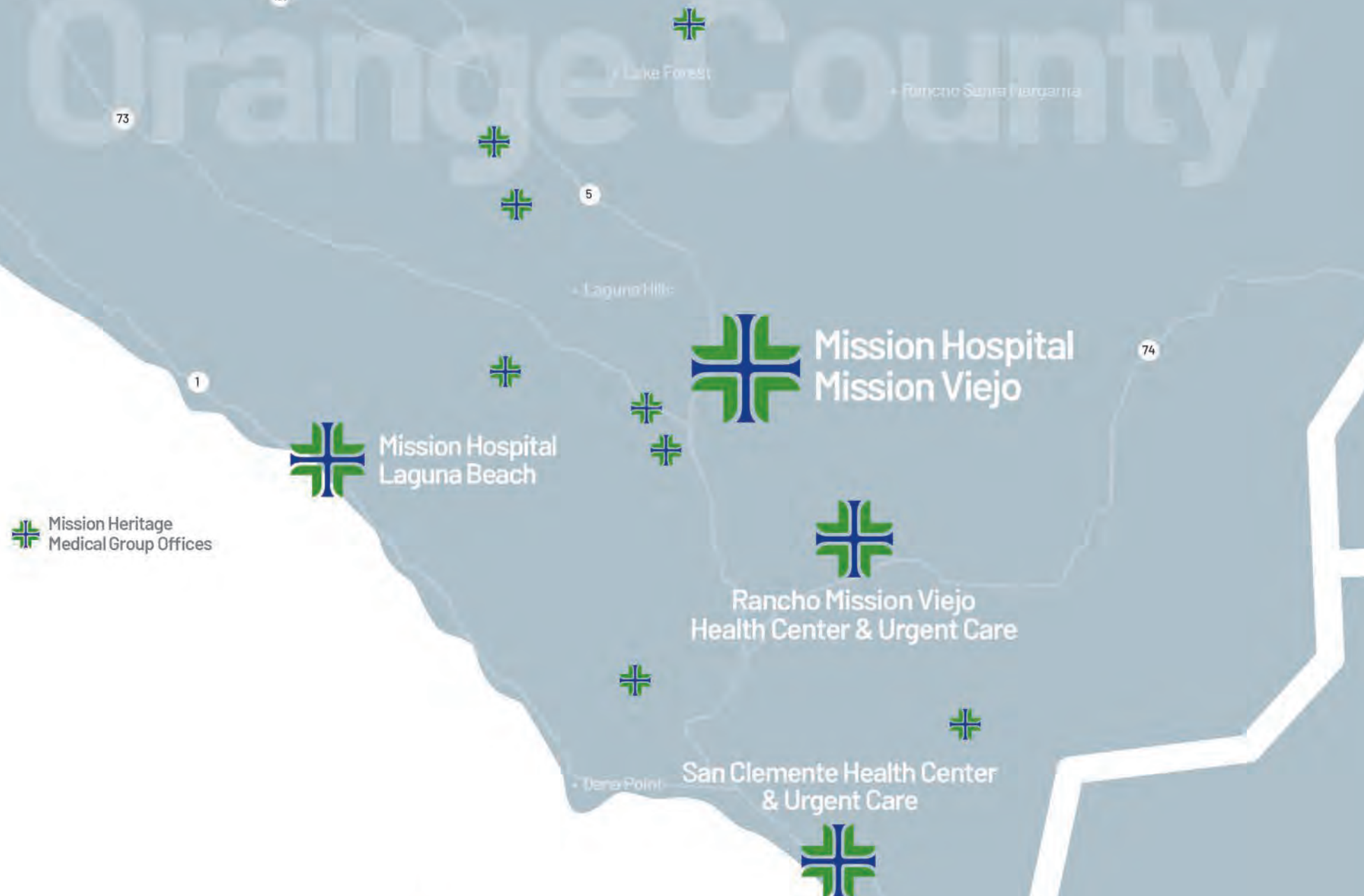
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We're reimagining our Mission Viejo campus to grow with the community, including an expanded emergency department and the new Rancho Mission Viejo Family Tower, with construction starting in 2026.

Our health center and urgent care facilities in San Clemente (now open) and Rancho Mission Viejo (coming in 2026) are providing new options for care close to home.

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Right here in Costa Mesa, Segerstrom Center for the Arts is set to present its spectacular 2025–26 season featuring eleven Broadway productions. Broadway highlights include the Tony Award-winning *Some Like It Hot*, the electrifying *Moulin Rouge! The Musical*, and the legendary *The Phantom of the Opera*.

The Jazz Series brings legendary saxophonist Branford Marsalis, Grammy-winning bassist John Clayton with ETHEL Quartet, and New York Voices on their farewell tour. The Chamber Music Series delivers exceptional candlelit concerts in our intimate 300-seat Samueli Theater with fan favorites like the Calidore and Takács Quartets, plus the Australian Chamber Orchestra's 50th Anniversary celebration.

Our Cabaret and Headliner programming gets you up close and personal with the biggest stars from Broadway, TV, and film. This year's stellar line-up features faces you instantly recognize and names you don't know—yet! Highlights include three-time Tony winner Patti LuPone, Tony Award-winning Lea Salonga, Matthew Morrison, and rising star Stella Cole.

The Dance Series offers a season filled with all you love about ballet! Big storybook ballets like *The Nutcracker* and *Sylvia* from American Ballet Theatre, plus San Francisco Ballet's critically acclaimed *Frankenstein*—featuring incredible sets, gorgeous costumes, and stellar companies, all accompanied by our own Pacific Symphony!

The Family Series brings artists from around the world to perform shows produced specifically for family audiences ages 4+. From Sonia De Los Santos' vibrant Latin rhythms to *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! The Musical!* and *The Wiz*—these performances create lasting memories for your family.

As a nonprofit cultural cornerstone, Segerstrom Center brings world-class entertainment directly to Orange County families and businesses on our stunningly beautiful campus. Whether you are seeking Broadway magic, soulful jazz, or intimate chamber music, there is something for everyone right in your backyard—making OC a richer, more vibrant place to live and work.

Enriching Orange County's future through arts education

As the West Coast's premier arts education provider, Segerstrom Center for the Arts strengthens our community by transforming learning experiences across Orange County schools through innovative programming that reaches 175,000 local students annually.

Our comprehensive approach includes in-school initiatives, professional development for educators, and specialized summer programs. Disney Musicals in Schools has established sustainable theater programs in local elementary schools, serving nearly 7,000 students since launch. Meanwhile, our nationally recognized Summer at the Center program empowers at-risk high school students through intensive musical theater workshops led by professional artists, building confidence and resilience through creative collaboration with the Orange County Department of Education's ACCESS Division.

The Center's Arts Teach program connects professional artists directly with classrooms through residencies, assemblies, and workshops, bringing cultural experiences to students across our community. These initiatives demonstrate our commitment to accessible, high-quality arts education that develops creative thinking and cultural literacy.

By integrating performing arts into education and offering world-class entertainment locally, Segerstrom Center is proud to contribute to Orange County's reputation as a thriving, culturally rich community where families and businesses can flourish.



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A Legacy of Giving:

Shah Family's Landmark Gift Transforms Heart Care in Orange County

Providence St. Jude Medical Center Announces New Shah Happiness Center for Cardiovascular Health

When it comes to life-saving care, some gifts redefine what's possible. Providence St. Jude Medical Center has received a landmark philanthropic contribution from Manu and Rika Shah, establishing the Shah Happiness Center for Cardiovascular Health and ushering in a new era of advanced cardiac care for the region.

This is the largest outright cash gift ever made to support Providence St. Jude and arrives at a critical moment. Heart disease remains the leading cause of death in Orange County and across the nation. The Shahs' generosity will expand access to cardiovascular services, accelerate the adoption of new technologies and strengthen care for thousands of patients and families.

For the Shahs, this gift comes from the heart in every sense. Manu, a two-time heart attack survivor, has been a patient at Providence St. Jude for 25+ years. "St. Jude saved my life," he says. "Their care has been a constant in my journey. This gift is our way of giving back to the place that gave us so much, especially time. Time to grow our business, time with our grandchildren and time to live fully."

The Shah Happiness Center for Cardiovascular Health

The Shah Happiness Center for Cardiovascular Health will support five key areas: prevention, life-saving technology, community outreach, caregiver education and rehabilitation. Each is vital to meeting the rising demand for advanced heart care and ensuring that more people can access timely, effective treatment.

The Shahs built their global enterprise, MSI Headquarters in Orange, CA, from their basement into the USA's largest natural stone and surfaces company. Their success has been guided by values of fairness, hard work and social responsibility, and they have long believed in using their resources to improve the lives of others.

"We were taught that success is not just about what you accomplish," says Rika. "It's about what you give back. After experiencing the care at Providence St. Jude, we felt deeply compelled to help ensure every family has access to that same level of compassion and excellence. There's no better time than now to support those who care for others."

The Shahs' philanthropy reflects a deep commitment to community well-being, both locally and globally. Through the Shah Happiness Foundation, they have supported education, health care, women's empowerment and job creation. Their investment in Providence St. Jude will continue that legacy of impact, right here at home.

"This is more than a gift. It's a vision for the future," says Dub Drees, chief philanthropy officer at Providence St. Jude Memorial Foundation. "The Shahs are helping us advance what is possible in cardiac care and inspiring others to give generously."

Providence St. Jude is already recognized as a leader in heart care, and the Shah Happiness Center for Cardiovascular Health will build on this reputation, ensuring the community continues to benefit from world-class innovation and compassionate care.

"Our heartfelt thanks go to the Shah family," says Laura Ramos, chief executive of Providence St. Jude Medical Center. "Their generosity will help save lives now and for generations to come."



"This is more than a gift.
It's a vision for the future."

Dub Drees, chief philanthropy officer at Providence St. Jude Memorial Foundation



The Future Has Arrived

Providence St. Jude Medical Center is one of the first in the region to offer histotripsy to treat liver tumors.

Providence St. Jude Medical Center is transforming what's possible in liver cancer care. Thanks to the support of donors John and Jeanette Svet, we are proud to be one of the first hospitals in the region to offer the HistoSonics® Edison® System, a noninvasive treatment that destroys tumors without surgery, radiation or needles.

Rewriting the Rules of Liver Cancer Treatment

This groundbreaking procedure, called histotripsy, uses focused sound waves to create microbubbles that break apart targeted tumor tissue while preserving surrounding healthy cells. Patients benefit from shorter recovery times, less pain and no incisions.

At Providence St. Jude Medical Center, philanthropy is powering innovation and giving patients new options and better outcomes.

Be Part of the Breakthrough

Philanthropy made this innovation a reality and continues to drive the future of cancer care. To learn more about supporting leading-edge treatments, contact Providence St. Jude Memorial Foundation at 714-992-3033.

To inquire about candidacy for the histotripsy procedure, please call 714-446-5830.



More Than a Thrift Store: Building Futures with Goodwill of Orange County



For more than a century, Goodwill of Orange County has been a bridge to opportunity—empowering individuals, transforming lives, and strengthening our community.

While we're widely recognized for our thrift stores, our greatest pride lies in the lives we uplift. As a nonprofit employment social enterprise, we are uniquely positioned to maximize community impact. Our retail stores and e-commerce platform fuel innovative, life-changing programs that serve people right here in Orange County.

Goodwill OC stands at the intersection of people, planet, and prosperity.

Our sustainable retail model helps protect the environment, while our mission-driven business creates economic opportunity. Every donation and purchase supports career success for local residents and contributes to a stronger, more inclusive community.

This model makes us unique—and opens the door for everyone to be part of the impact. Whether you donate gently used goods, shop at one of our 25 stores, enroll in a workforce development program, or hire from our pool of trained candidates, you're helping power Goodwill OC's circle of impact.

Our Programs

As one of Orange County's leading workforce development organizations, Goodwill OC has been serving the community since 1924.

Our 25+ programs support individuals at any stage of their career journey, including people with disabilities, those experiencing housing instability, veterans, and justice-involved youth. Through personalized coaching, job training, and career guidance, we help individuals build confidence, develop skills, and secure sustainable employment.



Retail & Innovation

THRIFT STORES & DONATION CENTERS

We currently have 30+ thrift stores and donation sites across Orange County, but we aim to double our retail footprint in the next decade to bring more thrifting magic and career training grounds to the community.

PIONEERS IN ONLINE RESALE

In 1999, we launched ShopGoodwill.com—the exclusive e-commerce auction platform for the Goodwill network. Today, more than 130 Goodwills list and sell their unique donated treasures on the site and total sales have exceeded \$2.8 billion.

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

Last year alone, we diverted more than 61 million pounds of materials from the local waste stream through reuse and recycling efforts.

Join Us on the Journey

GIVE

- Donate funds or goods
- Join our monthly giving program
- Include Goodwill OC in your estate plans

PARTNER

- Hire from our job-ready talent pool
- Explore corporate partnership & financial matching opportunities
- Help us expand our store and donation network

CONNECT

- Join a "See the Good" behind-the-scenes tour
- Attend or sponsor events like *The Good Lunch* (Oct 2025) or *The Future is Working* (Spring 2026)
- Follow and share our mission on social platforms @ocgoodwill

2024 Impact Highlights



PEOPLE SERVED

37,000+ individuals benefited from our workforce development programs



JOB COACHING

697,000+ hours of personalized coaching provided



EMPLOYMENT

1,200 individuals placed into meaningful careers



FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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Stronger Together: Community Partnerships Make Miracles



When a wide range of community groups come together to support a common cause, miracles happen, as at this 2024 Birthday Bash of Miracles organized by Miracles for Kids.

At Miracles for Kids, our mission is to improve the lives of families with critically ill children. As the needs of the families we serve continue to grow and evolve, so too has the breadth of our services—and the partnerships we forge to deliver them. We are grateful to collaborate with an incredible network of nonprofit organizations across Orange County that shares our commitment to service. Community collaboration is essential to the success of our core programs. By working together and sharing resources, expertise, and ideas, we elevate our collective impact and make miracles every day.

Gala, Six Points for Kids has helped deliver essentials, volunteered at wellness events, and brought the joy of Halloween to our housing complexes through decorations and themed community engagement.



Basket of Miracles made possible by volunteers (Front: National Charity League, Back: Chinese Lions Club OC)

Our **Boost Program**, which delivers quarterly Baskets of Miracles filled with essentials and seasonal items to every family we serve, is powered by the support of our local community. Organizations like **Baby2Baby** help ensure deliveries include family essentials like diapers and baby supplies, while **Second Harvest Food Bank** makes it possible to include nonperishable food items. Another key champion is the **Elks Lodge of Santa Ana**, a longtime supporter of our Back to School Basket of Miracles, which has contributed hundreds of filled backpacks to help children start the school year prepared and confident.



Children enjoy lunch provided by Bracken's Kitchen at our Surf & Paddle Summer Camp.



Volunteers from Six Points for Kids gather for Spring Basket of Miracles.



Local Target employees prepare bags of nonperishable food provided by Second Harvest Food Bank.

In our **Balance Program**, which focuses on emotional wellness and stability, and our **Safe Haven Program**, which provides transitional housing for families at risk of homelessness, collaboration remains central. **Bracken's Kitchen** prepares and provides fresh, nutritious meals that support both our wellness programming and weekly deliveries to families living at our two housing complexes. For years **Orange County Sheriff's Department's** community outreach initiative, **Six Points for Kids**, has been another beloved partner. Named our Champion of Children at the 2023 Night of Miracles

To empower our **Pillars Program**, which helps families build long-term stability, we have developed strategic relationships with local nonprofits that offer career development and workforce entry support. **Merge Opportunities** has helped parents and caregivers secure meaningful employment with understanding and supportive local employers. **Futuro Health** provides access to training programs in the healthcare industry, equipping families with skills to enter one of Orange County's most in-demand sectors.

During the holiday season, organizations like the **Roosters Foundation** and **Community Action Partnership of Orange County** help us provide Holiday Meal Boxes to families in need. For life's special moments, nonprofits like **Cinderella's Closet** make it possible for high school girls in our programs to attend prom with confidence, style, and joy. Groups such as the **Chinese Lions Club of Orange County**, various **National Charity League** chapters, and many other community service organizations, form the foundation of our year-round volunteer force.

Miracles for Kids thrives on collaboration. No single organization can solve the complex problems our families face. But as a united community, we can. By working together, nonprofits strengthen the very fabric of the Orange County community and the lives of those who need us most.

If you are part of a nonprofit or work closely with one and are interested in exploring a partnership to serve families with critically-ill children in Orange County, we welcome the opportunity to collaborate. Please contact Sandy Morales, Development Director, at smorales@miraclesforkids.org.



Be the Miracle

Stabilize families with critically-ill children by helping them battle bankruptcy, homelessness, hunger, and depression - so they can concentrate on fighting for their child's life.

VITAL PROGRAMS THAT DRIVE IMPACT

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Helps pay essential bills

Balance

Offers counseling & wellness activities

Safe Haven

Houses families at risk of homelessness

Boost

Delivers necessities & seasonal items

Pillars

Provides financial literacy, education, & employment resources

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Meeting the Needs of Children Today With an Eye Toward Their Futures

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

As we celebrate the 40th Anniversary of **National Philanthropy Day**, I am heartened by the immense generosity we see in Orange County through individuals, companies, and foundation partners who provide their time, talent, and treasure to support **The Wooden Floor's** mission as well as many other nonprofit organizations in our community. We have something very special in our collective ability to identify the deep challenges facing those who need us the most, and at the same time lead efforts head-on to drive change for the most pressing issues of our time.

The Wooden Floor has benefited from the generosity of our community over the past 42 years and is celebrating our newest milestone of **changing the lives of over 100,000 young people since 1983**. Today, our creative youth development model uses exploratory dance education that is strategically integrated with academics, college and career readiness, and family services. We are not a dance studio or conservatory. We use dance as a vehicle for empowerment and change. We are seeing remarkable outcomes resulting from the community's investment in our mission including:

- **Our All-Campus GPA has increased since the pandemic to 3.3;** and our students are exceeding state and county benchmarks for Math and English Language Arts.
- **100% on time high school graduation**, Class of 2025 – achieved for 21 consecutive years.
- **100% immediate enrollment in higher education**, Class of 2025 – achieved for 21 consecutive years; as compared to the national college enrollment rate for socioeconomic peers nationally, which dropped to 21% in 2022 (National Education Statistics).
- Our first-generation alumni continue to achieve a **college degree attainment rate of 54% as of March 2025**, compared to 12.6%, the national rate for their low-income peers (National Education Statistics).
- In the last three years, **42% of our graduates attain degrees in S.T.E.A.M.** such as biotech engineering, molecular biology, computer engineering, and physical sciences (81% earned by women; 19% by men).

Two Alumni and recent college graduates shared their thoughts about how important it is to be S.T.E.A.M. role models for future generations of students at The Wooden Floor.



"Learning dance truly taught me about self-discipline, accountability, and how to work with others, which has helped support my career goals. I truly don't believe I could have made it this far without The Wooden Floor."

Wendy earned a BS in Aerospace Engineering from UC San Diego in 2023 and currently works as a Reliability Engineer at PPG Aerospace. She is proudly a first-generation college graduate and the first engineer in her family. Wendy aims to gain more knowledge of the aerospace industry and explore the different pathways that her chosen career has in store for her.



"Dance taught me how to persevere through challenges. It also taught me the importance of teamwork, giving and receiving feedback, and sharpened my ability to think critically—all essential skills in S.T.E.A.M. Most importantly, it gave me an exceptional basis for learning new things and confidence in my own knowledge and ideas."

Miguel earned a Bachelor of Science in Biology and a minor in Public Health from Boston University. He plans to pursue Medical School or a PhD Program in Molecular Biology and recently accepted a full-time position as a Research Associate in the Arias Group at the CZ Biohub

San Francisco. Miguel is currently writing his first scientific publication about developing viral sensing technologies.

The foundation of a steadfast community of supporters ensures that The Wooden Floor can meet the needs of the students we serve today and keep an eye towards their futures by maintaining our high-quality services without interruptions of their 10-year journeys towards higher education. One of the ways is through support of our Endowment Fund established in 1999. The Wooden Floor Endowment Fund has grown to \$8.6M, as of August 31, 2024, including The Wooden Floor Scholarship Endowment, now totaling \$2.21M with direct gifts and pledges. With the rising costs of higher education, college scholarships totaling between \$4,000 to \$10,000 over a student's college tenure provided by The Wooden Floor are vital to help lessen the financial barrier of college attendance and make the difference in helping students reach their dreams for themselves. Since 2002, The Wooden Floor has awarded Merit-based Scholarships totaling over \$2.2 million.

When students join The Wooden Floor, they make a 10-year mental commitment to us, and we must be prepared to make a 10-year financial commitment to them. The Endowment Fund ensures we have long-term financial sustainability for our organization and programs, and it also provides annual support for innovative and high-quality programs for the students we serve today. We are grateful for the support of our community.

Join us to learn more about The Wooden Floor at TheWoodenFloor.org.



The Wooden Floor's Class of 2025 at the 13th Step Beyond Annual Breakfast.



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 16-year tenure, The Wooden Floor has seen significant growth and with **the opening of its second location in Santa Ana**, and licensing of its model. Celebrating its 42nd Anniversary, recent awards for The Wooden Floor include: **2025, 2024 and 2023 Best Places to Work** by the **Orange County Business Journal**, **2022 Nonprofit of the Year Award** by the **Greater Irvine Chamber**, and **2021 Stand Up the Arts Award** by **Ovation TV/Charter Communications**. Reese's recent honors include: **2025 Nonprofit Leader Award** by **National Philanthropy Day Orange County/Association of Fundraising Professionals**; **2024 Orange County Register 125 Most Influential People**; **2023 Empowering Lives Award** by **Templo Calvario**, **2023 Sam Estes Award for Community**

Leadership from the **Santa Ana Task Force**, and the **2022 Orange County Visionary** by the **Los Angeles Times Orange County**, among others.

Reese proudly serves on the Board of Directors for the **Passkeys Foundation** as Immediate Past Board Chair, **OneOC** as Audit Chair, **Orange County Music and Dance** as Finance Chair, and **Santa Ana Chamber of Commerce** as Board Chair-Elect, as well as a Board Member for **Advisors in Philanthropy OC**, and the **MVS Foundation**. Since 2018, Reese has served as the **Chair of the Santa Ana Youth Mental Health Sub-Committee**, which was honored in 2025 by the **City of Santa Ana** and **Orange County Board of Supervisors**.



DANCE IS THE ANSWER.®

We inspire and transform the lives of young people through **the power of dance** and **access to higher education.**

For over 40 years, The Wooden Floor has been one of the foremost creative youth development nonprofit organizations in the country. **100 percent of our graduates enroll in higher education since 2005**, as compared to about 50 percent of their socioeconomic peers. **42% of our graduates attain degrees in S.T.E.A.M. fields**, 81% earned by women and 19% by men.

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JOIN US IN MOVING MORE YOUNG PEOPLE **FORWARD.**

Find out more by scanning the QR code.





Sherman Library & Gardens Grow The Gardens capital campaign surges toward \$17 million goal to break ground with significant leadership gifts.

Generous donors have stepped up to get Sherman Library & Gardens closer to its ambitious goal of raising \$17 million by the end of 2025 to break ground in early 2026. Leadership gifts have been received by such Orange County luminaries as:

- Julia Argyros, Bell Tower Entrance
- The Samueli Foundation, Central Garden Walkway
- Janet and Jonathan Curci, Ticket Booth
- Pat and Dave Lamb Family, Visitor Center
- Jennifer and Anton Segerstrom, Tropical Conservatory

Together, these spaces will warmly welcome visitors to Sherman Library & Gardens as they are drawn into this world-class botanical garden space in Corona del Mar. Each of these significant leadership Grow The Gardens gifts have brought Sherman Library & Gardens closer to their groundbreaking goal.

to Pacific Coast Highway decreases noise and pressure on local streets, and allows Sherman Library & Gardens to repurpose the current restaurant building for education and community programming seven days a week.

Garden Patio and Terrace, a Remaining Leadership Gift Opportunity

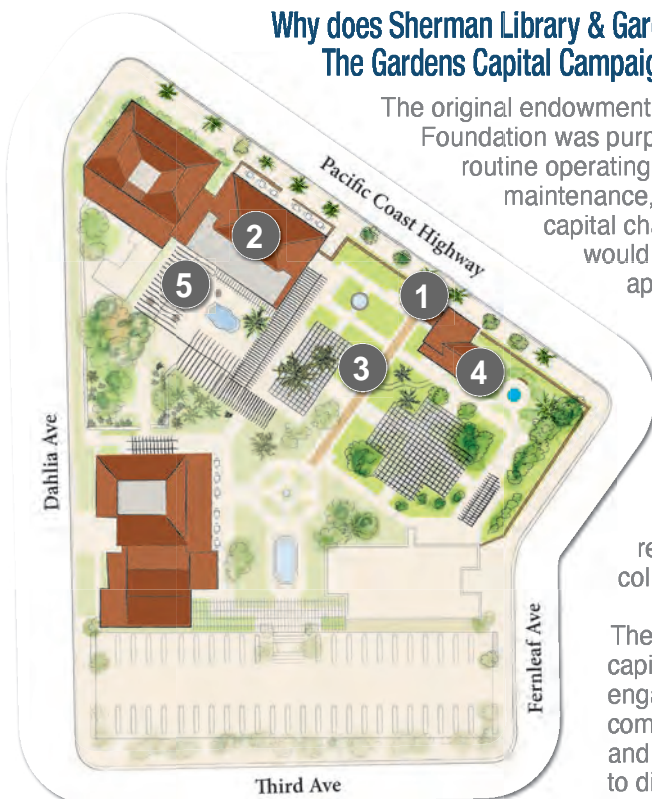
The relocated Garden-to-Table Restaurant will look onto the refurbished Tea Garden, one of Sherman Library & Gardens' earliest and most beloved spaces. The Garden Patio and Terrace structure will include a gorgeous second story terrace with ocean breezes that will allow visitors the chance to gather and see the entire garden from above.

Why does Sherman Library & Gardens need the Grow The Gardens Capital Campaign?

The original endowment from the Sherman Foundation was purposely restricted to routine operating expenses such as maintenance, ensuring that any capital changes to the property would require community approval, engagement, and investment.

In so doing, the Foundation ensured that Sherman Library & Gardens belongs to the community and remains subject to its collective desires.

The Grow The Gardens capital campaign has engaged in significant community outreach and listening sessions to discern the will of the community. The result is thoughtful design that increases the reach of Sherman Library & Gardens while decreasing the impact on the surrounding community. For example, moving the restaurant from Dahlia



- 1) Bell Tower Entrance and Visitor Center
- 2) Garden View Patio and Terrace
- 3) Central Garden Walkway
- 4) Reflection Garden
- 5) Tea Garden



Reflection Garden, a Remaining Leadership Gift Opportunity

The Reflection Garden is a completely reimagined space that will be a place of quiet contemplation and oasis in The Gardens. The circular pathway around the fountain will be lined with commemorative bricks.

For more information, please visit www.thesherman.org/GTG.



GROW THE GARDENS

Sherman Library & Gardens



Garden View Patio and Terrace

Explore With Us The Gardens' special spaces reimaged for a new generation.

Sherman Library & Gardens, the treasured jewel of Newport Beach for nearly 60 years, is reimaging its spaces to preserve and protect the collections and enhance visitors' experiences. Grow The Gardens is a bold \$17 million plan to revitalize significant spaces within the garden, while remaining authentic to the character and scale of The Gardens and surrounding community.

We are grateful for leadership gifts from **Julia Argyros** to build the Bell Tower Entrance and the **Samueli Foundation** for sponsoring the new Central Garden Walkway. **Janet and Jonathan Curci's** gift will welcome visitors with the new Ticket Booth and the **Pat and Dave Lamb Family** are creating the new

Visitor Center. **Jennifer and Anton Segerstrom** are renovating the Tropical Conservatory, while **Janet and Walkie Ray** are enhancing the Shade House and its specimen collections. **Gail and Peter Ochs** are rebuilding the Tea Garden, the **Kewell Jacoby Family** is reviving the Sun Garden, and the **Mazur Family** is creating a permanent Story Time Corner. Together these heroes are helping us Grow The Gardens!

Explore With Us the special spaces in The Gardens you know and love. We still need your help to raise \$17 million to break ground in early 2026. Let us help you find your place in The Gardens.

Help us Grow The Gardens, today.



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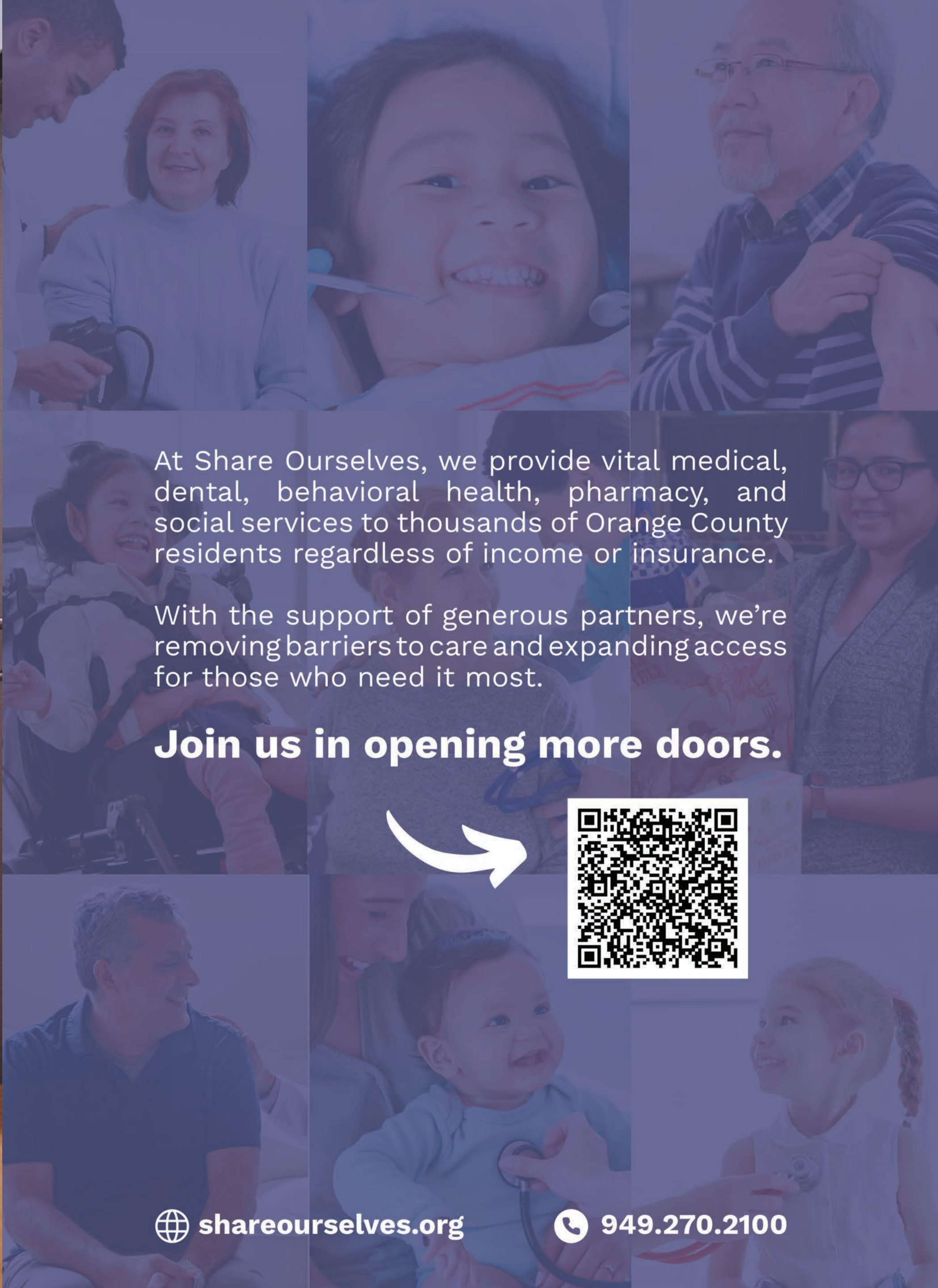




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Expanding to Serve More Children and Families in Crisis and Preventing Teen Homelessness

The Swenson Family Foundation Campus Nearing Completion

THE PROBLEM

60%

of teens who “age out” of the child welfare system are homeless or housing insecure within 6 months to one year

44%

of youth in the child welfare system do not finish high school mostly due to unstable housing situations

27,000

teens are homeless or housing insecure in Orange County right now

THE SOLUTION

To address this heartbreaking reality, Olive Crest is expanding its programs and services by adding two new facilities:

1. Children and Family Resource Center



Children and Family Resource Center to be completed Fall 2025

2. Teen and Young Adults Apartment Homes



Rendering: RSI Dream Communities to be completed Winter 2025

Change a Life. Change a Generation. Make a Pledge and Double Your Impact Today!

Now through September 2025 Total Environmental Management, Inc. is doubling all gifts and pledges received for the new Teen Apartment Homes and will be matched, up to \$1 million.

Learn more at www.olivecrest.org/orange-county-campaign or by scanning the QR code

For more information, contact **Tim Bauer**, Executive Director of Development: **949.294.1300** or Tim-Bauer@olivecrest.org



We are thankful for our visionary, philanthropic partners

- Swenson Family Foundation
- The Ronald M. Simon Family Foundation & RSI Dream Communities
- Larry and Helen Hoag Foundation
- The Crean Foundation
- Total Environmental Management, Inc., Curtis Scheetz, Jim Hindman, and Tom Cook
- Vera Thompson, Thompson Building Supplies

who have stood with us as we expand to serve more children and families and prevent teen homelessness in Orange County.

OLIVE CREST

Strong Families, Safe Kids



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When Cindy arrived in the United States at just 12 years old, she dreamed of a better future. But her world was turned upside down just months later when she was abandoned. Alone, without a place to call home, and terrified to ask for help, Cindy kept going to school - hiding her homelessness while silently hoping someone might notice.

Eventually, they did. Concerned staff at school stepped in, and Cindy was moved into temporary care. But these homes didn't provide the stability she needed to move forward. That changed when she was connected with Olive Crest.

Without intervention and support, Cindy could very well have ended up back on the streets. But instead of becoming another statistic in the growing crisis of teen homelessness, Cindy found a lifeline.



With safe housing and consistent support, she began to rebuild her life. She joined her school's Swim and Water Polo teams, stayed committed to her studies, and dared to dream again of that "better future." "I was failing high school and was not even thinking of college," Cindy said. "Thanks to the help and stability I found at

Olive Crest, I'm graduating with honors and heading to Vanguard University on a full-ride scholarship."

Cindy's academic turnaround has earned her numerous accolades, including a spot on the Principal's List, Student of the Year, and the prestigious "Every Student Succeeding" Award - given to just one student in the entire school district who has overcome major obstacles to achieve excellence.

In April 2025, she received the official acceptance to Vanguard University, along with two scholarships and a special grant made possible by the In-N-Out Foundation's new A Pathway Forward program for youth that are in the child welfare system..

With the stability and wraparound support Cindy found at Olive Crest, she learned how to drive and obtain her license, bought her first car, secured a job at In-N-Out, and became a regular member of her church community. Cindy plans to complete college in three years - so, as she puts it, "the grant money can go to another kid like me."

And after college? Cindy intends to enlist and serve in the United States Marine Corps as her way of giving back to the country that gave her the opportunity to succeed.

Cindy's story could have ended so differently. But because of early intervention, a community of support, and her own resilience, a young woman who was once homeless and at high-risk, Cindy is now embarking on her college journey, filled with hope and purpose, ready to lead, serve, and inspire others.

Stand with us to prevent teen homelessness...One Life at a Time®



Making Waves: YMCA of Orange County & Newport-Mesa Unified School District's Partnership for Water Safety

A unique partnership between the YMCA of Orange County and Newport-Mesa Unified School District (NMUSD), as well as several community partners including the Ben Carlson Foundation, is on a mission to give all children in Orange County access to water safety skills.

This year, the Newport-Mesa Family YMCA piloted the Safety Around Water program with students from Whittier Elementary School in Costa Mesa to provide an important community need: water safety education.

During the ten-week course, 45 young swimmers completed after-school swim and water safety lessons; the students gained greater water confidence and safety skills. Given that drowning remains a leading cause of accidental death in children, especially in underserved communities, the Safety Around Water program is a powerful and innovative model with strong potential for implementation elsewhere in the county.

“Water safety is a necessity, and we want to ensure that every child and family has access to learn how to swim,” said Jeff McBride, CEO of YMCA of Orange County. “By equipping kids with the tools they need to be confident in and around water, they’ll be able to reap the health benefits of exercise, bond with family and friends, and utilize their new skills—safely. I’m incredibly proud of the work we’re doing through this program and hopeful that we’ll continue to see it expand, reaching more communities, and changing more lives.”

For many families, traditional swim lessons are out of reach—whether due to cost, transportation, or accessibility. The Safety Around Water program was designed to eliminate those barriers.

Each child received two swim lessons per week from certified YMCA swim instructors, dryland instruction on water safety topics, and transportation to and from the Newport-Mesa Family YMCA.

At the end of the program, families joined for a graduation ceremony to celebrate the students’ progress. At the ceremony, the YMCA instructors said a few words about each swimmer’s progress and distributed certificates.

“It was remarkable to see students who at the start were unable to tread water that were now confidently floating, swimming short distances, and understanding how to stay calm and safe in the water,” said Jack Rooney, swim instructor at the YMCA. “It’s a huge step towards drowning prevention in our community.”

After the ceremony, there was an impromptu exhibition of the students’ new skills. For many, it was the first time their families had seen them swim.

Rosa Pineda, a parent of one of the participants in the Water Safety program shared in a Daily Pilot article that she didn’t grow up learning to swim and it wasn’t

a skill she was able to teach her son. In that article, Pineda expressed confidence and gratitude toward the program teaching her son a vital skill that she could not teach.

Some students entered the program with limited water experience and the most basic skills, they showed remarkable progress through focused training that prepared them to try out for the Newport Beach Junior Lifeguard Program. Several students successfully passed the tryouts, a testament to their hard work and dedication as well as the skill of the YMCA swim instructors. Thanks to the generous support of the Ben Carlson Foundation, those students are now able to participate in the summer program, where they’re gaining hands-on experience and learning vital lessons in ocean safety. The Safety Around Water program can not only equip students with essential skills but also can open the door to new opportunities for personal growth and lifelong confidence.



The pilot program’s success has inspired the YMCA and NMUSD to continue to expand the program. The second phase is set to launch in September 2025 and run through June 2026, serving additional students across the district.

“For many students, this was their first time in the water. Initially, it was scary for some, but the students quickly overcame their fears and have loved the classes. We want to make it a fun time for everyone, and we’re grateful for the instructors who build our students’ confidence in a way that teaches them to be safe” said Christy Flores, NMUSD Director of Engagement, Partnership, and Expanded Learning. “We want to give every child the opportunity to learn these life-saving skills and have a sense of pride in themselves.”

The program demonstrated strong collaboration, minimal challenges, and promising potential for year-round expansion that could extend to other school districts in the future.

It’s more than just swim lessons—it’s a powerful movement to save lives.

For every student who completes the program, there’s a story of new confidence, a parent with less worry, and a community that’s just a little safer.

At the YMCA of Orange County, we believe everyone should have access and the opportunity to learn how to swim. Each year, more than 3,500 children, families, and adults learn to swim at the YMCA. Our approach goes beyond teaching strokes; we cultivate a supportive community and individual attention that helps discover and nurture a lifetime love and respect of the water.

If you’re interested in learning how you can support the YMCA’s mission on swim safety, visit ymcaoc.org/saw.

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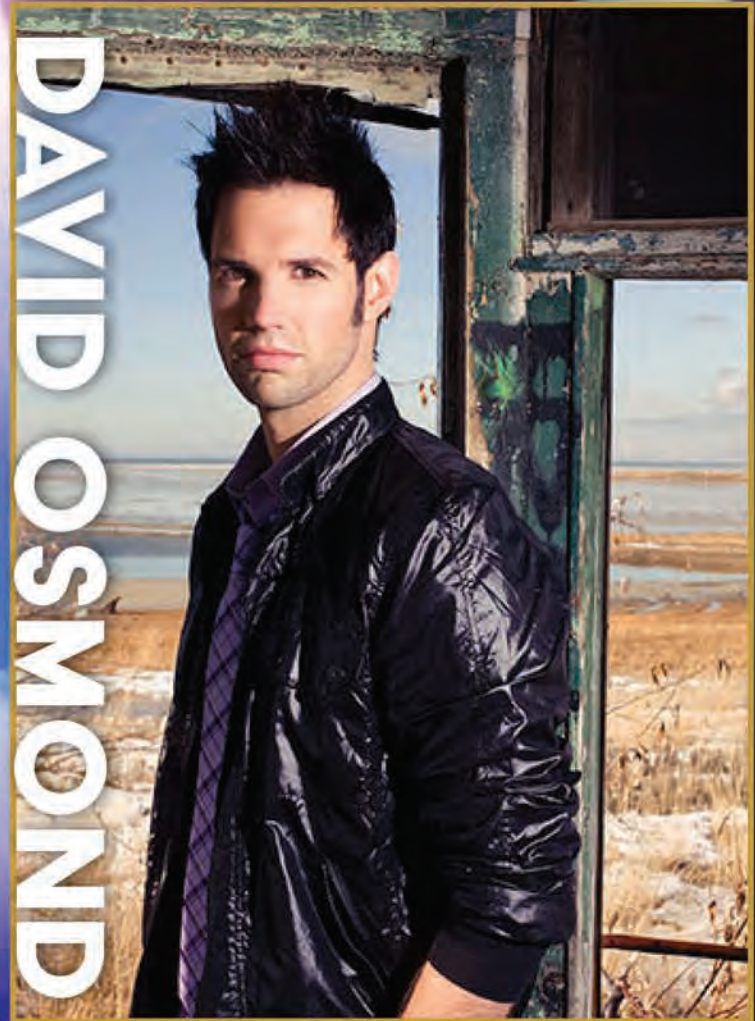


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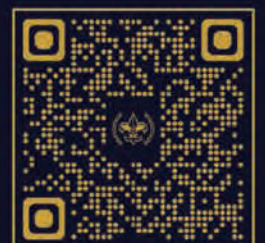
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Tilly's Life Center (TLC) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to addressing the youth mental health crisis by empowering teens with essential life and leadership skills through its transformative "I Am Me" emotional wellness curriculum. Informed by research and grounded in evidence-based frameworks, TLC partners with schools and community organizations to help adolescents navigate challenges such as peer pressures, anxiety, depression, bullying, substance abuse, and more. The program focuses on building emotional intelligence, resilience, and a positive mindset, while also equipping teens with healthy coping strategies. By fostering these skills, TLC empowers young people to make responsible decisions, build strong relationships, and succeed both personally and academically. Through a deep commitment to mental and emotional well-being, TLC sets youth on a path toward lifelong success, purpose, and self-worth.



Before TLC, I battled insecurity, negative body image, and low self-confidence. Through journaling, breathing exercises, and meditation, I learned to appreciate myself and embrace who I am. Today, my confidence is sky high, and I'm proud of who I've become.

Julie
Westminster High School



Diagnosed with leukemia at 10, I relapsed at 14, endured a bone marrow transplant, lost a lung, and suffered nerve damage. I fought through it, "walking out" of the hospital. TLC's lessons helped me open up, visualize my future, and keep pushing forward. Today, I continue to inspire others with the resilience TLC helped me strengthen.

Kenny
Children's Hospital of Orange County (CHOC)



Adjusting to a new school, relationships, and COVID stress was overwhelming. TLC gave me a safe space to process my emotions, especially around body image and anxiety. Letting go of negativity helped me grow—just like a seed planted in a TLC activity. Now, as a TLC intern, I help others experience that same transformation.

Clarissa
Samueli Academy Graduate



Before TLC, I struggled with grades and my temper. The "I Am Forgiving" lesson helped me let go of resentment toward my grandma, making me more compassionate. I also learned to Take a breath, Listen to my heart, and Communicate calmly. This technique improved my relationships and grades, making a lasting impact on my life.

Daniel
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The Pressures and Stressors of Today's Young People

Teen Behaviors as a Result of Those Pressures:



Today's young people are navigating a complex landscape fraught with numerous challenges. Social media and digital connectivity, while offering unprecedented opportunities for communication, often exacerbate issues such as cyberbullying, social comparison, and the pressure to maintain a curated online persona. Concurrently, academic expectations and the pressure to excel can lead to heightened stress and anxiety. Many teens also face difficulties related to mental health, including rising rates of depression and feelings of isolation. Additionally, societal and family dynamics, such as economic uncertainty and shifting family structures, contribute to an overall sense of instability. As they grapple with these multifaceted challenges, teens need comprehensive support systems to foster resilience, emotional well-being, and healthy coping strategies.

Research shows school leaders strongly support programs that improve students' social skills and emotional development because these programs improve students' mental health, help build positive school climates, and improve academic performance. These programs can also decrease students' symptoms of depression and feelings of anxiety. - CDC



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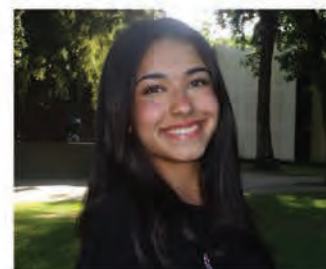
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IVC Grad Bridges Professional Worlds

With boundless energy and enthusiasm, Irvine Valley College (IVC) graduate Natalie Nguyen is forging a career in real estate and residential architecture—one that reflects both her personal passions and long-term vision.

Her father, Nick Nguyen, co-founder of the Nick and Kelly Real Estate Group in Orange County, has long been her role model. “Since I was a little girl, my dad has been my inspiration,” she says. “He taught me that real estate is about so much more than transactions—it’s about trust, compassion, and lasting relationships.”

A pivotal moment in her professional journey came when she met IVC real estate professor Rick Boone at a campus event. “It was a defining moment for me,” she recalls. With Boone’s encouragement, she enrolled in his real estate license exam prep course—and passed with flying colors, earning her license at just 18. Energized by that success, Nguyen later immersed herself into IVC’s real estate program, which she describes as “transformational.” The curriculum, she says, “completely exceeded my expectations. It helped shape my academic and professional growth by creating a space where mentors guided students, ideas were broadened, futures were built, and everyone felt truly seen.”

Motivated to give back, she took over as president of IVC’s Real Estate Club, which had been nearly dormant. Working with Professor Boone, she revitalized the organization—growing membership from less than ten to over 100 students and turned it into one of the college’s most active and dynamic student groups. “By hosting school-wide events with industry professionals, we gave students a



chance to connect, learn directly from experts, and explore real estate beyond the classroom,” she says. “It was all about gaining real-world preparation.”

She graduated from IVC with her Associate of Arts degree in 2024. Now, she’s expanding her focus to include architecture—gaining hands-on experience with current real estate projects in Laguna Beach and Corona Del Mar while simultaneously building a portfolio of design work through architecture classes. She’s also applying to top architecture schools across California.

Her long-term goal? To bridge the worlds of real estate, design, and development. “I plan to earn a bachelor’s degree as well as both my architecture and real estate broker licenses,” she says. “I think both disciplines will give me a unique ability to understand what clients need—from both a lifestyle and investment perspective—and to design homes that meet those needs.”

Ultimately, Nguyen envisions leading her own residential architecture firm—one that merges timeless design with real estate savvy. “I’m excited by the opportunity to create homes people truly connect with—spaces that are thoughtfully planned, functionally sound, and aligned with how people live.”

With her deep-seated love of real estate and design—and her drive to make an impact—she will undoubtedly succeed.

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Meet Natalie Nguyen

At just 18, Natalie graduated from IVC with a clear sense of purpose. Now she is channeling her boundless energy into bridging the worlds of real estate, design and development. Gaining valuable hands-on experience with real estate projects across Orange County, she is also applying to top architecture schools to deepen her knowledge and sharpen her skills.



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Founded in 1965, Jewish Federation of Orange County (JFedOC) has spent six decades fostering a vibrant Jewish community locally, in Israel, and worldwide. This milestone year marks sixty years of strengthening Jewish life and advancing community building in Orange County.

JFedOC offers a platform for philanthropists to lead by example—serving on nonprofit boards, driving impact across the Jewish community, and creating a better world. Our core pillars include caring for the vulnerable, strengthening Jewish life through education and cultural engagement, supporting Israel and global Jewry in times of need, building inclusive leadership, and mobilizing philanthropy for good.

We invite you to learn more about who we are, what we do, and why it matters at JewishOC.org

Caring for Those in Need

One of the ways JFedOC cares for our community's most vulnerable is by serving 182 Holocaust survivors who live in Orange County. Many, now in their 80s and 90s, face serious health and financial challenges. Having endured unimaginable trauma, they rebuilt their lives with resilience and helped shape our community. Ensuring they can age safely, independently, and with dignity is a communal responsibility.

Last year, Federation ensured that our community's Holocaust survivors received over 80,000 hours of in-home care, connecting them with medical services, financial assistance, and social programs that combat isolation. By supporting JFedOC, you help ensure our most vulnerable are cared for, affirming our shared values.

Securing Our Community

Ensuring the safety of any faith community strengthens the well-being and resilience of our entire region. Hate-fueled threats and violence undermine the sense of security we all rely on.

To meet this need, JFedOC launched **SecureOC**, a countywide initiative protecting Jewish individuals and institutions, including synagogues, day schools, and camps. SecureOC offers coordinated security through threat assessments, emergency protocols, law enforcement partnerships, and free training on active threat response, emergency medical care, and disaster preparedness.

With expert guidance, real-time monitoring, and national coordination, SecureOC strengthens not only Jewish safety but the broader safety, unity, and resilience of Orange County.



2024 Mensch of the Year Eyal Aronoff.

Leading for the Future

JFedOC's Women's Philanthropy and Solomon Society cultivate leaders whose volunteer work reflects the values and vision of our community. These leaders partner with nonprofits to address local challenges and build effective solutions.



2025 Woman of the Year Jane Brenner.

In 2025, we launched **The Leadership Initiative (TLI)** to inspire the next generation of civic changemakers and strengthen the leadership pipeline for Jewish and broader community nonprofits. TLI offers training, mentorship, and dialogue rooted in Jewish values, covering governance, strategic planning, public engagement, and personal purpose. Graduates already serve in leadership roles across synagogues, schools, agencies, and philanthropic boards.

These programs ensure a strong, engaged community prepared to meet today's challenges and shape tomorrow's opportunities.

Countering Hate and Antisemitism

Hate and division threaten all communities. In an era of increasing polarization, JFedOC works to combat antisemitism through education and engagement.

The **Rose Project** partners with elected officials, law enforcement, schools, and faith groups to address antisemitism and bias locally and nationally.

To meet the rise of antisemitic incidents in schools, Federation launched **Student to Student** in 2022. This peer-to-peer program trains Jewish teen ambassadors to share their experiences, break stereotypes, and foster dialogue. Adopted by Orange County school districts, it reached over 4,000 students in 2024.

JFedOC also hosts an annual **Countering Hate Summit** with UC Irvine, bringing together educators, policymakers, and community leaders to share best practices for fighting all forms of hate.

Building a More Perfect World

Federation's work touches every generation, bringing the community together with inclusive celebrations that foster connection and pride.

In 2024, JFedOC mobilized \$4.7 million from more than 1,700 households to support local and global programs.

Your involvement today helps ensure a vibrant, safe, and welcoming community for tomorrow. Join us in building a stronger, more inclusive Orange County where all people can thrive.



Jon Gould, Ph.D. (Dean, UCI School of Social Ecology), Howard Gillman, Ph.D. (UCI Chancellor), Erik Ludwig, Ph.D. (President & CEO, Jewish Federation of Orange County), and Jeff Margolis (Chair, Jewish Federation of Orange County Rose Council) at Counteracting Hate.



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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.

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Local Students Receive Transformative Experiences at Tiger Woods' TGR Learning Lab

Tiger Woods and his nonprofit, TGR Foundation, have impacted the lives of more than 216,000 students in Orange County and beyond since launching in 1996. His vision to create safe spaces that empower students to “learn, grow, and chase after their dreams” led to the opening of the flagship TGR Learning Lab in 2006.

“The TGR Learning Lab was built for community,” Woods said. “It’s a safe place for kids to learn and grow and find a pathway into a possible career. There weren’t a lot of those spaces when I was growing up in that area, and I wanted to create a safe space for the kids.”

TGR Learning Lab Anaheim is a transformative environment where life gains steam. Through its innovative programs, students receive opportunities, experiences, and mentors that help them unlock their unlimited potential and prepare them to thrive in college and their future careers. Focused on science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics (STEAM) educational enrichment, health and well-being, and career and college readiness opportunities, the Learning Lab provides:

- exposure to STEAM careers
- hands-on experiential learning
- transferable skill building
- real-world experience through industry partners
- holistic support for their college and career journeys

Cypress native Alma Gutierrez didn’t believe higher education was accessible to her before joining the TGR Learning Lab in high school. Through its programs and support from caring educators, she turned her dreams into degrees and a career aligned with her passions. In her current role as director of TGR Foundation’s Earl Woods Scholar Program, Gutierrez has empowered hundreds of high school students through college, in addition to her older siblings, changing the trajectory of their lives.

TGR Learning Labs are paving the way for thousands more students from under-resourced communities to pursue their passions through education.

“Without the TGR Learning Lab, I would not have discovered that life is full of endless possibilities,” said Carlos Leon, a TGR Learning Lab alumnus and current Anaheim City Council member.

Like many young people, Leon grew up in a single-parent household; the Learning Lab was a safe space for him after school, providing more than he anticipated. “Two of the biggest things that the TGR Learning Lab provided for me were opportunities and mentorship,” he said.

Through partnerships with Orange County-based organizations like Providence and Genesis, TGR Learning Lab members participate in transformative career connected learning opportunities, including job shadowing, field trips, internships, and more.

“Experiences I have gained through the TGR Learning Lab have been empowering and life changing,” said Diego, a high school junior and aspiring sports broadcaster.

Diego has solidified his career path and honed skills through the Learning Lab’s multimedia programs available in the Find Your Grind Studio, sponsored by Find Your Grind Foundation. He is also a co-host of The Lab Report, a student-led podcast, which launched in April 2025, bridging the gap between student curiosity and professional experience using the latest technology.

Corporate partners and the philanthropic support from donors such as Cindy and Mike McKee and Debby and Hal Jacobs are essential to preparing the future leaders of Orange County with the resources and skills needed for high-demand careers. These career-connected learning experiences are not only beneficial for students, but they also provide values-driven organizations with an opportunity to shape the local workforce, drive innovation, recruit talent, boost employee engagement, and enhance brand equity.

Visit TGRFoundation.org to lead a job shadowing opportunity, host a field trip, become a mentor, or get involved in other opportunities to empower students to achieve their dreams.



IGNITING PASSIONS UNLOCKING POTENTIAL

Founded by **Tiger Woods**, **TGR Foundation** empowers students to pursue their passions and unlock their unlimited potential through innovative programs at inspiring TGR Learning Labs. Our programs provide the opportunities, experiences and support students from under-resourced communities need to learn, grow and prepare for their futures.

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**HOPE BUILDERS:
30 YEARS OF
EMPOWERING HEROES**

For 30 years, Hope Builders has been a beacon of hope—a launching point for thousands of young heroes rising from adversity to rewrite their futures. In a world where access to opportunity isn't always equal, the Orange County-based nonprofit **helps disadvantaged young adults tap into their potential, unlock their inner strength, and alter their destiny.**

At Hope Builders, success comes with the courage to step boldly onto the pathway to prosperity. It is a place where strong habits are forged, and where the qualities that define every superhero are built: initiative, accountability, resilience, and reliability.

Each young person commits to showing up every day, pushing through personal obstacles, and daring to envision a better life. Hope Builders walks alongside them on this journey providing the skills and support needed to stay on track. **More than 7,500 Hope Builders graduates** exhibit resilience every day as they are hard at work in every corner of Orange County, at some of the area's top medical, construction, and education employers. They are community leaders, essential workers, and change-makers—true heroes. They are living proof that investing in yourself, and having the right support, can change everything.



Alumni (L-R) Cindy, Perla, and Fredi are among the 7,500+ Hope Builders superheroes hard at work in Orange County

“Hope Builders gave me a path forward when I couldn't see one,” says Perla, a proud Hope Builders alumna. “It truly was my way out. **They helped me to do better, to be better, not just for myself but for my children and generations to come.**”

As Hope Builders celebrates 30 years of building brighter futures, the organization honors every young adult who has stepped up, committed to building a pathway to prosperity, and turned their struggle into strength. It also celebrates the employers, donors, and staff who stand beside them as mentors, guides, and fellow champions.

The story doesn't end here. The next generation of Hope Builders heroes is already on the rise. Your support empowers the next 30 years of transformation, one hero at a time.

For more information about Hope Builders, visit tsjhopebuilders.org

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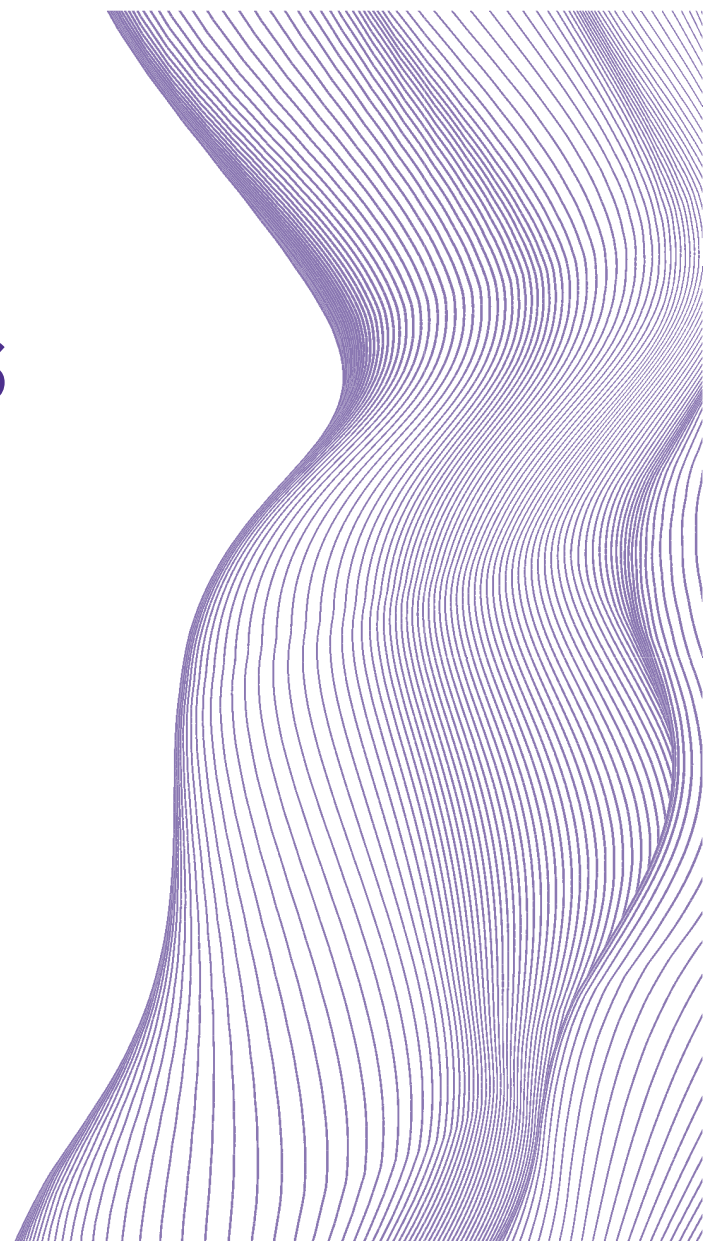
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DiscoveryCube



F&M Bank and the Discovery Cube of Santa Ana

Dedicated to inspiring OC's youth through science.

Established in Santa Ana in 1998, the Discovery Cube's mission is to inspire and engage young minds through more than 80 interactive science-based programs and hands-on exhibits across their 14-acre campus. Each year, the museum welcomes more than 500,000 educators, students and their families while also providing science-based workshops, assemblies, and curricula to local schools.



F&M Bank President Kevin Tiber and F&M Bank Foundation President Christine Walker-Bowman honored with Discovery Cube's Arnold O. Beckman award by Discovery Cube Orange County Board Chairman Rick Baily and Discovery Cube CEO Joe Adams.

F&M Bank's partnership with the Discovery Cube began in 2013 when the Bank financed an \$18 million expansion that added new exhibit spaces, labs, and increased visitor capacity. In recent years, the Bank has supported field trips for underserved students, educational programming, and has been the presenting sponsor of Bubblefest, an immersive festival exploring the science of bubbles. The investment in these programs at the Discovery Cube reflects a shared commitment to making science education accessible and fun for all.

The relationship between F&M Bank and the Discovery Cube is an example of the essential role corporate philanthropy plays in enriching the community. Through this ongoing partnership, together we are able to fulfill the current and future needs of STEM professionals by educating and inspiring current generations of young minds.

For more information on Discovery Cube and its programming, visit discoverycube.org. To learn more about F&M Bank's commitment to the local community, visit FMB.com/Community.



F&M Bank Foundation Director Tiffany Roberts at Bubblefest

Discovery Cube exists to ignite passion and knowledge in young learners through dynamic STEM engagement, while enriching our local communities through education and outreach. Our partnership with Farmers & Merchants Bank brings neighbors together to spark curiosity, empower families, and help build a brighter future for our community. *Joe Adams, CEO, Discovery Cube*



From Dreams to Reality: How Girl Scouts Are Leading Today

Across Orange County, Girl Scouts are stepping up as leaders—not someday, but right now. They’re mentoring younger students, launching service projects, advocating for causes they care about, and sparking change in their communities.

Through Girl Scouts, girls discover their passions, find their voice, and gain the courage, confidence, and character to lead. Whether it’s hands-on STEM exploration, outdoor adventures that build resilience, or creative outlets in the arts and entrepreneurship, Girl Scouts are learning skills that prepare them for life.

This transformation doesn’t happen by chance. It happens because of donors like you who believe in the power of girls. Your support ensures that 15,000 Girl Scouts in Orange County have access to the experiences that inspire them to dream bigger, do more, and make a real difference.

- STEM opportunities spark curiosity and open doors to future careers.
- Outdoor programs build teamwork, resilience, and a love of nature.
- Leadership pathways prepare girls to take action on issues they care about most.
- Creative outlets in the arts and entrepreneurship foster innovation, problem-solving, and essential people skills.

The result is real-world impact today—and a stronger, brighter tomorrow.

What Your Gift Creates

• Real Leaders in the Making

Girl Scouts of Orange County gives girls the tools to lead in their own lives and communities, addressing needs with purpose and compassion.

• Equity Through Access

Expanding reach into underrepresented areas ensures every girl, regardless of background, can benefit from Girl Scout programming.



• Critical Skills and Confidence

Through STEM expos, career panels, outdoor challenges, and creative arts programs, girls gain the skills and confidence to dream bigger.

• Connection, Community, and Growth

Whether they’re exploring nature at Camp Scherman or serving together to make the world a better place, Girl Scouts form unbreakable bonds and skills for life.

When we invest in girls, we change the world. Join the Promise Circle or 1912 Society today and be the force behind tomorrow’s innovators, advocates, and changemakers.

Learn more at www.girlscoutsoc.org/invest



Your promise helps Girl Scouts create a better world for all of us.

Girl Scouts of Orange County serves 15,000 girls and builds girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place. When you donate to Girl Scouts, the largest girl-led nonprofit leadership program in the world, you champion girl ambition. Your important gift ensures girls will continue to discover their abilities and passions, find their voice and dream big for themselves, their communities, and, yes, our world.

Join the generous individuals supporting Girl Scouts of Orange County. Invest in girls. Change the world.

“If you’re looking to make a lasting difference, join me in supporting Girl Scouts of Orange County. As a Lifetime Member, I have seen the incredible, transformative impact Girl Scouts has on girl’s lives and I am proud to give to GSOC’s Promise Circle. It’s wonderful to see my investment supporting critically needed, life-changing programs in STEM, Entrepreneurship, the Arts, Outdoors, and Life Skills. Let’s empower the next generation of leaders together!”

- Christine Mueller,
Board Chair, Girl Scouts of Orange County Board of Directors



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



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- > Youth & Teen Programs
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- > Workforce Development
- > Nutrition Education



When Brittany* walked into our Anaheim Independencia Family Resource Center last year, she was seeking stability. With CAP OC's support, she gained access to CalWorks, CalFresh, mental health care, and resources to help her daughter thrive. Today, she's committed to building a brighter future through perseverance and the mindset that "it might take time, but it gets better."



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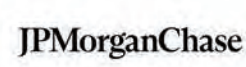
"These connections truly do bring more opportunities. The more connections you make, the more opportunities will come your way."

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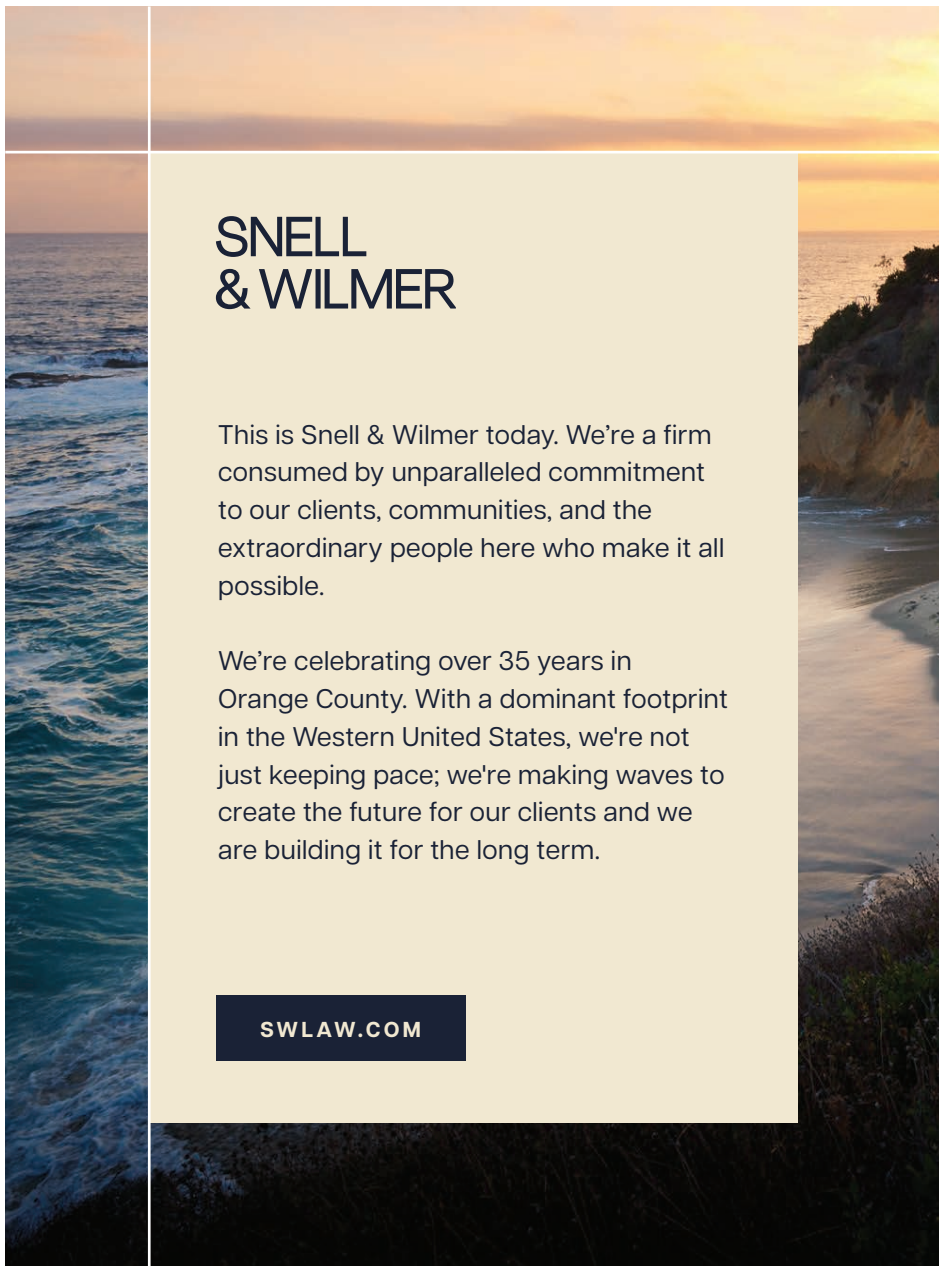
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Just like for-profit directors, nonprofit directors are not typically responsible for day-to-day operations of the organization. But they are responsible for making major decisions about the organization's goals, policies, and finances, hiring and retaining executives, and implementing and monitoring risk management and compliance systems to protect the organization and its constituents. Decisions made by the board can have momentous impact on the success of the organization and the interests of those served by it.

Very briefly, as a nonprofit director you generally owe a duty of care (exercising informed judgment when participating in board decisions), a duty of loyalty (putting the organization's interests above your own in making decisions), and a duty of obedience (making sure the organization abides by applicable laws, its own articles and bylaws, and its mission statement). Failure to exercise these duties can harm the organization and may even lead to personal liability.

Service on a nonprofit board entails a serious commitment of your time and effort. When done right, it will be an incredibly fulfilling and rewarding experience.

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Veterans Deserve More Than Gratitude—They Deserve Opportunity



Veterans deserve more than a thank you. They deserve a path forward. That's the guiding principle behind **Power Up for Success (PUFS)**, a one-day event hosted by Working Wardrobes that helps veterans find meaningful employment and renewed confidence after military service.

On **November 14**, veterans will gather at the Orange County Administration Buildings in Santa Ana for a full day of individualized support. Services include career coaching, panel discussions, access to a career fair, headshots and professional attire, all provided at no cost to participants.

The need is great: over **200,000 service members transition out of the military each year**, many facing resume gaps, missing civilian certifications, or limited professional networks. Without tailored support, even the most disciplined and capable job seekers can face prolonged unemployment or underemployment. PUFS is designed to meet those challenges head-on and help veterans translate their service into sustainable civilian careers.

PUFS would not be possible without the support of committed corporate partners like **Optum, U.S. Bank and Hensel Phelps**, all of whom have a long-standing history



of investing in veteran services and supporting Working Wardrobes' mission to help people overcome barriers to gainful employment. From financial sponsorships to employee volunteers, their involvement is essential in helping veterans successfully transition to civilian careers.

"Hensel Phelps is proud to support Working Wardrobes in their mission to empower veterans and underserved communities," said **Justine Rocha, Safety Manager at Hensel Phelps**.

"Giving back through our time, resources and workforce investment reflects our commitment to improving lives in the communities we serve."

Optum, a longtime supporter of Working Wardrobes, brings more than financial resources. The company has helped expand Working Wardrobes' infrastructure and impact with contributions like a meeting pod at the Career Success Center, providing resources to victims of the LA Fires together, and consistently volunteering for hands-on service.

"Optum is proud to support Working Wardrobes in their mission to empower veterans and underserved communities," said **Janelle Metzger, VP of Human Resources at Optum**.

"Giving back through time, resources and workforce investment reflects our commitment to improving lives in the communities we serve."

U.S. Bank also continues to be a key champion of this work. "At U.S. Bank, we believe in building stronger communities by investing in those who have served," said **Christine Ragos, Vice President, Capabilities**

Experience Program Manager, at U.S. Bank. "Partnering with Working Wardrobes allows us to connect veterans with resources that help them move forward with purpose and pride."



In 2024, Working Wardrobes served more than **7,600 clients** through programs that remove barriers to employment for veterans, young adults, seniors, domestic violence survivors and justice-impacted individuals. Events like PUFS are central to this mission, giving clients a fresh start and the tools they need to succeed.

Businesses are invited to support this effort by sponsoring PUFS in November, volunteering as a team, hosting clothing drives or hiring job-ready veteran clients. Help create a better future for those who served. Together, we can give veterans more than recognition. We can give them results.

The first step to a veteran's next chapter? You.

For someone facing barriers to employment, a single act of support can spark a lifetime of transformation. **On November 14th, you can be that spark.**



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Girls Inc. of Orange County is Helping Girls Get To and Through College

Every fall, high school seniors across Orange County prepare for one of the biggest transitions of their lives: college. But for many girls, especially those from underrepresented communities, that transition is filled with uncertainty. From financial burden to being the first in their families to complete the college application process, **Orange County girls face obstacles that may prevent them from attending college.**

Girls Inc. of Orange County's College Bound program is helping to rewrite that narrative.

Did you know?

- Upon graduation, women earn only 83 cents for every dollar their male peers make.
- Women hold nearly two-thirds of the nation's student loan debt, totaling more than \$929 billion.
- In college, women are twice as likely to experience mental health challenges compared to male students.
- In 2024, students from underrepresented groups saw a significant decrease in acceptance rates at top universities.

Girls Inc. is changing the stats.

This year, **100% of Grad Lab participants were accepted into institutions of higher education** and **96% reported feeling ready for their first year of college.**

Through College Bound, high school seniors receive hands-on support as they navigate the college application process. They're guided by mentors, connected to financial aid resources, and receive 1:1 support as they craft their college essays. The six-month program that ensures girls are not only admitted to college, but prepared to thrive there.

College Bound is not just about acceptance letters, it's about access, equity, and long-term success. By helping girls overcome the barriers they face and providing a roadmap to higher education, Girls Inc. of Orange County is investing in a more equitable future.

"Grad Lab has been a game-changer for my college career. It's provided invaluable resources, mentorship, and a supportive community that helped me navigate the complexities of college applications. - 2024 Girls Inc. College Bound participant

To learn more or support the College Bound program, visit www.girlsinc-oc.org.



College Bound participants create a sisterhood in a supportive environment

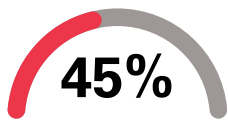


College Bound participants get a college send-off at the College Shower

Be the reason she's the first in her family to graduate.



of 2024-25 College Bound participants feel confident they will meet their educational goals



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Nonprofits are not only a moral cornerstone of our communities – they are an economic driver. These organizations provide essential services that strengthen the foundation on which businesses thrive. From workforce development and job training, to healthcare access, education, and housing support, nonprofits create the conditions that allow employees, customers, and families to flourish.

Yet, many nonprofits are under unprecedented strain. Rising costs and increased demand for services have stretched budgets thin. At the same time, the needs they address – food insecurity, affordable housing, mental health, and youth support – have a direct impact on the health of our local economy. When these needs go unmet, businesses feel the ripple effects in productivity, recruitment, and retention.

By donating to local nonprofits, you're not just giving back – you're investing in the long-term stability and growth of Orange County. Every dollar contributes to a stronger workforce, healthier families, and a more resilient community.

Now more than ever, strategic support of nonprofits is a business decision that pays dividends. When we strengthen the social safety net, we build the foundation for sustained economic vitality – benefiting companies, employees, and the entire region.

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Hope Happens Here: OC Mental Health Care Expands with Be Well OC



In the heart of Orange County, a quiet transformation in mental health care is taking root. One built on innovation, collaboration, and kindness. Be Well Orange County, a leading force in the region's mental health and wellness movement, is creating tangible, lasting change by uniting public, private, academic and faith-based partners to build a world-class system of care.

With two pioneering campuses – 60,000 square feet in Orange and the soon-to-be-completed 110,000 square feet on 15 acres in Irvine – Be Well OC is reshaping what access to mental health care looks like across the county. These campuses bring together crisis stabilization, mental health, and substance use residential care services in one centralized, stigma-free environment designed for healing, dignity and hope.

Both campuses include:

- 8 adolescent and 14 adult crisis stabilization beds
- 15 adult mental health crisis residential beds
- 12 sobering center beds
- 12 withdrawal management beds
- 15 male and 15 female substance use disorder residential beds
- 54 additional residential beds at the Irvine Campus for adolescents and mothers with children experiencing substance use disorder

Additionally, the new Irvine Campus includes innovative community spaces designed for whole-person wellness, including therapeutic gardens, pickleball courts, a commercial kitchen, public café, fitness facilities, and child friendly spaces.

Be Well OC doesn't just build buildings—it builds access to hope. That hope is delivered in real time by the Be Well OC Mobile Response Team, which has played a vital role in addressing urgent mental health and substance use needs across Orange County – meeting individuals where they are to deliver compassionate, on-the-spot care. By addressing behavioral and mental health needs through the Be Well Mobile Response Team, first responders are freed to focus on critical police and emergency medical calls, ensuring faster, more effective response where it's needed most.

In just the past 12 months, the Mobile Response Teams have:

- Responded to 11,157 encounters with our team of crisis intervention specialists and case managers
- Provided 32,442 services – from assessments to crisis de-escalation and care coordination
- Facilitated 1,272 voluntary transports to appropriate levels of care

These numbers go beyond just services. They represent real lives supported, stabilized, and redirected toward healing through timely intervention and community-based care.

Thanks to the generosity of our donors and the strength of our community partnerships, thousands of lives have been touched—and saved—through Be Well OC's expanding network of care. But our work is far from over. Our commitment hasn't changed – and neither has our momentum. New services are on the horizon as we continue building a healthier OC.

Your support helps make compassionate mental health and substance use care more accessible to all Orange County residents. Together, we can build a system where no one falls through the cracks – because mental health is essential for all of us.

Hope is powerful. So is your donation. Learn more at BeWellOC.org



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ORANGE COUNTY GRANTMAKERS

At Orange County Grantmakers, we believe that lasting impact happens when philanthropy, nonprofits, and the public sector work together.

We are a community of funders united by a common goal: to empower and connect Orange County through trust, accountability, and shared understanding. Our unique role as a convener allows us to bring together the people and partners who strengthen our region's social safety net.

Whether we're connecting funders with each other, with nonprofits, or with public leaders, we do it with purpose and with Orange County's future in mind.

Because in Orange County, relationships matter.

And when we build bridges, we create lasting change.

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In our 18th year as a proud Orange County nonprofit, **Kure It® Cancer Research** continues to make waves in the fight against underfunded cancers. Founded with the belief that research saves lives, **Kure It** has become a vital bridge between visionary scientists and the funding they need, and the results speak for themselves. **Kure It** has granted over \$18 million to cutting-edge cancer research projects at NCI Designated Comprehensive Cancer Centers across the nation. With a laser focus on underfunded cancers from pediatric neuroblastoma and bladder cancer to colorectal and prostate cancer, our organization's mission is clear—fund promising science now, so patients benefit sooner.



"For more than a decade, patients at City of Hope have benefited from Kure It's generosity. Their support for innovative research in underrecognized and complex cancers has meant new possibilities in fields that often lack funding. Kure It's partnership empowers our

physician-scientists to pursue promising treatments that save lives and create new standards of cancer care. We are deeply grateful for this partnership and the hope it has brought to so many families in the community."

– Edward S. Kim, M.D., M.B.A., Physician-in-Chief, City of Hope Orange County

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at UCLA for kidney
cancer research

Kure It is also honoring its annual pledge to City of Hope's Stomach and Pancreatic Screening Program, a proven lifesaver for early detection.

Kure It's reach extends far beyond Orange County with partnerships with elite institutions including: Vanderbilt Medical Center, Case Western Reserve, Cedars-Sinai, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute at Harvard, City of Hope, USC, and UCSD ensure that our organization is supporting the best minds in oncology.



Please join us on **Saturday, November 8th**, for our annual **Fall Gala at the Balboa Bay Resort**, celebrating men's health and raising funds for Testicular Cancer Research. It's a night of community, purpose, and hope and a perfect opportunity to stand with **Kure It** in the fight against cancer.



Visit **kureit.org**,
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Samueli Academy: Preparing the Next Generation of Leaders

Samueli Academy is more than just a school—it's where local youth define their future and defy the odds. A tuition-free public charter school located in Santa Ana serving grades 7 through 12, Samueli Academy was founded to ignite students' passion and empower them to reach their full potential through a nurturing and innovative learning environment.

While these students show incredible promise, many face real challenges that can stand in the way of their success. Unlike their peers from more affluent communities, many lack access to the support and resources needed to thrive. And while the school receives state funding, it takes an additional \$1,500 per student each year to provide the comprehensive programs that make such a lasting difference.

What makes Samueli Academy exceptional is its holistic approach: a STEAM-focused curriculum with engineering and design pathways, project-based learning, career readiness programs, and deep social-emotional support. Every student completes an internship before graduation, gaining exposure to real-world career paths through our Work-Based Learning Program. And students continue to receive support for four years after high school through our alumni program, no matter their next step.

The results are remarkable: 99% graduate from high school, 92% enroll in college, and 85% persist through college—more than double the national average. Nearly 70% are first-generation college students.

Community partners are essential to this mission. Whether you volunteer in a classroom, make a donation, speak at our Career Ignition Conference, or host an intern, your involvement helps shape Orange County's future—one student at a time.

At Samueli Academy, Students Thrive Through Innovation, Support, and Real-World Learning

Our mission is to ignite each student's passion and help them reach their full potential through a nurturing, innovative learning environment. We accomplish this through:

- PROJECT-BASED LEARNING
- SOCIAL / EMOTIONAL SUPPORT
- WORK-BASED LEARNING
- FOSTER YOUTH SUPPORT
- ALUMNI SUPPORT

SamueliAcademy.org

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The Samueli Academy Gala

Support life-changing education for students, especially those in foster care. Your ticket fuels hands-on learning, career pathways, and support from 7th grade through college.

Saturday, October 4, 2025
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[More Information](http://SamueliAcademyGala.com)
SamueliAcademyGala.com



Every child deserves to feel safe, supported, and set up for success.

At Seneca Family of Agencies, every day is dedicated to creating safe, supportive environments for children and young people at home, at school, and in the community. Through a comprehensive network of mental health services, we provide support, guidance, and care for 25,000 children and youth every year across California and Washington.

By supporting Seneca Family of Agencies, you are joining our mission of Unconditional Care - doing whatever it takes to help children and families thrive, even when faced with tremendous challenges.



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When Rent Eats First: The Impossible Choice between Housing and Groceries.



Life here in Orange County is a tradeoff: It's an opportunity to enjoy beautiful weather and scenery, but it comes with a high cost of living.

For thousands of families in Orange County, **rent eats first**. That means once fixed, necessary expenses like housing, utilities and gas are covered by a paycheck, food is often last on the list. And while you can't see hunger from the outside, it lives behind closed doors—including the refrigerator.

Here in Orange County, 359,910 people are facing food insecurity, so it's likely someone you know has struggled with the ability to put food on the table for themselves or their family. Our community members of all ages—children, college students, working parents and seniors on fixed income—are silently struggling to afford groceries. Without consistent access to nutritious food, the ability to succeed at school or work is seriously affected.

As the cost of living continues to rise, the challenge intensifies, pushing more people to make impossible choices that no one should have to face.

Food Insecurity in Orange County Impacts:

- 1 in 8 Children
- 1 in 9 Individuals



September is Hunger Action Month

September is Hunger Action Month, a time when we call on our community to take action and make a tangible difference. It's an opportunity to help those silently facing food insecurity to access healthy, nutritious food. Here are impactful ways you can help us nourish Orange County:

- 1. Donate.** Funds help Second Harvest allocate resources where they are most needed.
- 2. Volunteer.** Sign up for a volunteer opportunity, either at Harvest Solutions Farm (a partnership with University of California South Coast Research & Extension Center and Solutions for Urban Agriculture), our Distribution Center or Founders Farm.
- 3. Host a Virtual Food Drive.** Rally your community to contribute from the convenience of your computer or mobile device.
- 4. Advocate for Your Community.** Food banks play a critical role in addressing food insecurity, but Second Harvest can't do it alone. Learn more about Second Harvest's Government & Community Engagement Program.
- 5. Take a Tour.** Sign up for a behind-the-scenes tour of Second Harvest's 108,000-square-foot Distribution Center.

This Hunger Action Month, let's come together to make a difference in our community. Every effort, no matter how large or small, contributes to addressing food insecurity in Orange County.

Scan the **QR code** or **visit feedoc.org/HAM** to learn more.



RENT EATS FIRST

For the 359,910 people in Orange County who are food insecure, paying rent and other critical monthly bills takes priority. Only then can they think about buying groceries for themselves and their families.

Help Second Harvest Food Bank fill the gap.

feedoc.org



There When Help Can't Wait

The American Red Cross exists to provide compassionate care to those in need.



The American Red Cross of Orange County empowers ordinary people to perform extraordinary acts in emergency situations. We train. We mobilize. We connect donors and volunteers to those in urgent need of a helping hand. Whether it's a wildfire or a home fire, a call for blood, or a call from a service member or military family in need, the Red Cross of Orange County is there to provide help and hope when it's needed most.

Join Us! 90 percent of the Red Cross workforce are volunteers. Your time and talent can make a real difference in people's lives. There are local volunteer opportunities available to match a wide variety of interests and schedules.

Get Trained! You can be the help until help arrives. Consider taking a First Aid/CPR/AED class so you'll know what to do in an emergency. Individual and group training is available.

Give Blood! Volunteer blood and platelet donors are needed to help save lives. You can help by donating blood or hosting a blood drive in Orange County.

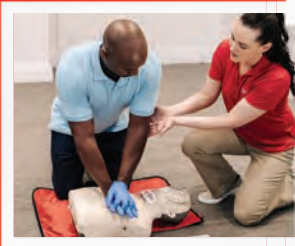
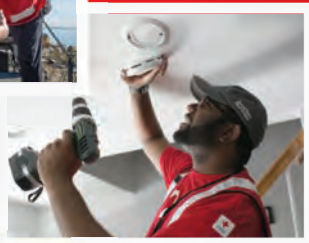
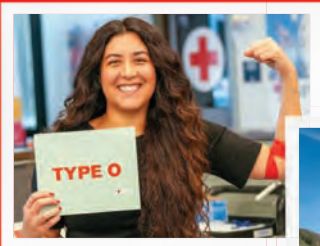
Make a Donation! Contributions from individual donors and corporate partners make our mission possible. The Red Cross is proud that an average of 90 cents of every dollar we spend is invested in delivering care and comfort to those in need. For information on giving opportunities or event sponsorship, please contact Amy Kennedy at amy.kennedy@redcross.org or 949-358-4595.



To learn more about the American Red Cross of Orange County, visit redcross.org/SoCal or call 1-800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767).



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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.
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TOGETHER TRANSFORMING LIVES,

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What started in the 1970s as a small effort to help youth in crisis has grown into **Waymakers**, a trusted resource for safety, support, and **hope**.

Whether we're providing safe shelter for vulnerable youth, helping families rebuild through crisis, standing with victims of violent crime in their search for justice, or empowering communities through prevention and education, **our work** creates impact that **lasts a lifetime**.

Together, we are building a safer, healthier, and more resilient Orange County for generations to come.

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Serving Orange County Families and Youth for Over 50 Years



EARLY INTERVENTION IS VITAL.



3/4

of students have experienced one or more **Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)**.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



Those with 4+ ACEs are **>600%**

more likely to develop **mental health challenges**, compared to those with 0 ACEs.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



50%

of all **mental health conditions** and disorders begin by **age 14**.

Source: National Institute of Mental Health



>1/5

of youth in California **face mental health challenges** each year.

Source: California Health Care Foundation

Supporting Healing Through ACEs Screening & Trauma-Informed Services

OUR SERVICES

✓ **Expertise in ACEs & Toxic Stress**

Providing education and screening to address Adverse Childhood Experiences and their impact.

✓ **Behavioral Health Training**

Providing FREE training for families, educators, and professionals on mental health and trauma-informed care.

✓ **Youth Empowerment Programs**

Building resilience in young people through targeted initiatives like Super Resilient® Youth.

✓ **School-Based Services**

Offering in-school support, counseling, and programs to help students succeed.

✓ **Training for First Responders**

Preparing first responders to effectively support individuals in crisis intervention.

✓ **Care and Access Coordination**

Through Orange County partnerships, we help connect individuals and families to the services they need.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Donate to our mission to help expand our services and reach more Orange County youth in need.



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Jamboree

Home is Just the Beginning: Jamboree's Local Impact, Statewide Reach

For more than three decades, Jamboree Housing has been at the forefront of affordable housing across California. With deep roots in Orange County, Jamboree is a nonprofit that not only builds quality housing but also creates opportunity—empowering thousands of individuals and families to thrive through stable homes, tailored resident services, and healthy, resilient neighborhoods.

What began as a bold vision in 1990 has grown into a statewide movement that has delivered more than 11,000 affordable homes in over 110 communities, including 50 vibrant developments throughout Orange County. From formerly unhoused veterans and individuals living with chronic mental illness to working families and aging adults on fixed incomes, Jamboree provides safe, quality, service-enriched housing for people from all walks of life.

Local Roots. Statewide Reach.

While Jamboree's impact spans the state, its heart remains in Orange County—home to its corporate headquarters and to many of its most innovative developments. In places like Anaheim, Irvine, and Santa Ana, Jamboree is not just building homes; it is creating communities of opportunity. Each development is designed with intention: walkable, sustainable, beautiful, and integrated with services tailored to the needs of residents. Finamore Place in Anaheim is a vibrant community hub that blends high-quality affordable housing with onsite services from partners like St. Jude Neighborhood Health Centers, Orange County Head Start, and Child Guidance Center. It's a model of how Jamboree builds strong communities through housing, health, and education.

From on-site afterschool programs that close the education gap for children to counseling and job-readiness programs for transitional age youth and adults, Jamboree's resident services are a cornerstone of its model. In permanent

supportive housing communities, residents overcoming homelessness receive comprehensive care coordination and behavioral health services—helping them achieve lasting stability and independence.

Giving Back and Moving Forward

Jamboree's work is fueled by generous supporters, public-private partnerships, and a shared belief that everyone deserves a place to call home. Contributions from individuals, foundations, and corporate partners help Jamboree go beyond bricks and mortar—funding critical services and enhancing the quality of life for thousands each year.

Your investment in Jamboree can help in many ways: making a one-time or recurring donation to support programs that promote housing stability, wellness, and economic mobility; sponsoring a resident event; or contributing items to a holiday drive. Every contribution, big or small, helps build a brighter future for those most in need. In addition, there are opportunities to leverage philanthropy in the construction of more housing communities.



Philanthropy in Action

With a reputation for innovation, financial stewardship, and deep community collaboration, Jamboree is a trusted leader in the affordable housing sector. As Orange County continues to grapple with housing challenges, Jamboree remains committed to scaling impact, shaping policy, and forging partnerships that bring real solutions to the table. Because at Jamboree, housing is more than shelter—it's the first step toward a thriving, inclusive community for all.

To learn more or support Jamboree's mission, visit www.jamboreehousing.org or contact our Vice President of Philanthropy, Carlos Leija, at cleija@jamboreehousing.com.



Jamboree

MORE THAN HOUSING

Transforming Lives and Strengthening Communities



- ▶ We deliver high quality affordable housing and services that transform lives and strengthen communities.
- ▶ We create stability, dignity, and a foundation for success for the individuals and families who live in our communities.
- ▶ With over 11,000 affordable homes created, Jamboree has transformed the lives of more than 24,000 working families, seniors, veterans, and formerly homeless families in California.

Carlos Leija, Vice President, Philanthropy
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JamboreeHousing.org

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At Beyond Blindness, we empower children with visual impairments and other disabilities to reach their fullest potential—envisioning a world where all children, regardless of ability, can live full, independent, and rewarding lives. We are the only nonprofit in the Greater Orange County area, outside of medical care, that specializes in serving individuals from birth to 22, who are blind or visually impaired. We have a responsibility to ensure they receive the critical support they need to succeed—and we rely on the strength of community partnerships and philanthropy to make that possible.

Imagine growing up without being taught how to cross the street, use a microwave, pay for groceries, or join a conversation. For too many children who are blind or visually impaired, this is their daily reality. In a world designed for the sighted, visually impaired children are too often left behind—without access to the specialized education and life skills they need to thrive.

Beyond Blindness is changing that.

Through a partnership with Cal State Los Angeles, we created ExCEL Academy—a 12-week Saturday program designed to help students who are blind or visually impaired build confidence, independence, and essential life skills. ExCEL teaches what sighted children often

learn incidentally: tying shoes, navigate a playground, socialize with peers and more.

These skills aren't "extras." They're essential. These are the differences between isolation and inclusion. Between dependence and self-sufficiency. Between surviving—and truly thriving.

What sets ExCEL apart is its dual-impact approach: students receive instruction from graduate students studying to become Teachers of the Visually Impaired (TVIs), creating a powerful cycle of mentorship and expertise. These future educators not only guide students; they grow through firsthand experience, gaining invaluable insight and empathy that will shape their entire careers.

At Beyond Blindness, we're investing in the future of every child. Because when we provide the right tools, children with visual impairments don't just catch up—they excel.

To learn more about ways you can support children with visual impairments and their families, please visit beyondblindness.org or call (714) 573-8888.

ExCEL Academy Student and TVI



ExCEL Academy students practice dining skills

ExCEL Student celebrates milestone



Students practice grocery shopping

Join the dedicated group of volunteers, donors, and supporters who are helping visually impaired children live full and rewarding lives.





Empowering Orange County Through Nonprofit Partnerships

In Orange County, nonprofits are driving transformative change that's uplifting underserved communities, supporting youth development, and promoting health and wellness. Organizations like Girls Inc., Olive Crest, WISEPlace, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and OneOC are making a lasting difference in countless lives and Ingram Micro is proud to stand beside them as a committed partner.

Girls Inc. empowers high school girls through externship programs that offer hands-on exposure to professional environments and mentorship to help them plan for their futures. More than 40 young women have already benefited from this initiative through Ingram Micro, gaining confidence and clarity about their career paths.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Orange County and the Inland Empire are transforming lives through its Workplace Mentorship Program. Through one-on-one connections, youth are building professional skills, growing in confidence, and discovering new possibilities for their futures. Ingram Micro is honored to support this work through skill-based volunteerism.

Helping students gain real-world experience in technology through pre-internship roles is a key mission of the CEO Leadership Alliance of Orange County. These students aren't just observing, they're contributing, and we are proud to sponsor several students through pre-internship roles within our technology team. From designing new features to collaborating with professionals, these students are gaining the tools they need to succeed in future internships and careers.

Through programs like V-LEAD, OneOC is cultivating future volunteer leaders, and their Corporate Volunteerism Council fosters collaboration and shared learning among local organizations. Ingram Micro is proud to support these efforts, knowing that strong nonprofits build strong communities.

Associate involvement and fundraising also play key roles for Ingram Micro. Our annual golf tournament raised over \$150,000 last year, directly benefiting local



partners, including Girls Inc., Olive Crest, and WISEPlace. These organizations provide critical services ranging from youth empowerment to housing and wellness support.

At Ingram Micro, we believe in the power of community. We're proud to support the incredible work of these nonprofits and are grateful for the opportunity to contribute to their missions. Because when our communities thrive, we all succeed.



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PATHWAYS TO POSSIBILITIES

We are so fortunate at Boys & Girls Club Laguna Beach that since 1952, generations of our volunteers, staff, and donors started as "Club Kids." Our impact and programs have changed the trajectory of their lives. One example of that is Club alumna Lasslie.

After attending the Club since she was a young child, she graduated high school and volunteered with the Club. She was the first in her family to go to college.

Throughout that time, her mentor was Miss Terry, who started the Even Start Preschool at the Club in 2000. Having a mentor she could count on in her life helped her find the path to helping others.

One bond built a lifetime of trust, forging a pathway of possibilities.

Working hard with us at the Club while attending classes at community college, she found a passion for addressing mental health issues, behavioral challenges in children, and working with families. She went on to the University of California, Irvine to receive her degree in Marriage and Family Therapy and then earned her Master's in Psychology from Pepperdine University.

She joined our staff in 2015 and is currently serving as our Achievement & Wellness Director, overseeing mental health initiatives throughout the organization.



LASSLIE ON THE IMPORTANCE OF MENTORSHIP

"Miss Terry saw something in me and continues to believe in me to this day. We're still close. She is extended family. I was very shy as a kid and to have someone who made me feel seen and safe helped me to fit in."

"I feel strongly that it takes a village to raise a child. What makes us unique is our staff and their willingness to meet every child where they are at."



Her heart is as big as her smile! She is a tremendously valuable staff resource to our boys, girls, families, and the Club.

We invite you to come take a tour at one of our nine program locations in Laguna Beach, Laguna Hills, Lake Forest, and Mission Viejo, serving 4,000 children, and see the impact of her work firsthand.

South Orange County needs Club Kids, and Club Kids need YOU!



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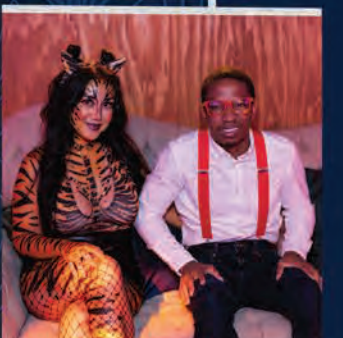
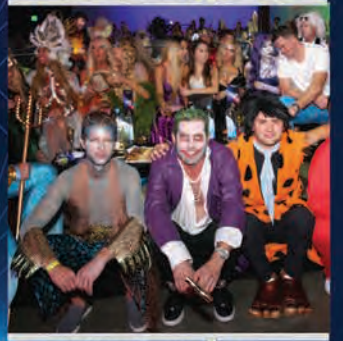
Mission: To empower all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as healthy, caring, and contributing members of society.

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With compassion and teamwork, we're committed to preventing child maltreatment and promoting lasting well-being.

Join us in leading community change.

Get involved today.



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Creating a Generation of Financially **Fearless** Women

WISE equips women and girls with the tools and confidence to build lasting financial security. For more than 25 years, this Orange County-based nonprofit has helped females of all ages and backgrounds through mission-driven education. Our WISE Voices podcasts offer financial insights for every life stage, while webinars and workshops feature rock stars in finance who break down complex topics into actionable steps. Our Tearing Down the Pink Wall series connects university students with leaders in finance, inspiring future careers. All of our services are offered at no cost to the community. Help us expand our mission! Visit www.wiseinvestors.org to find out more.



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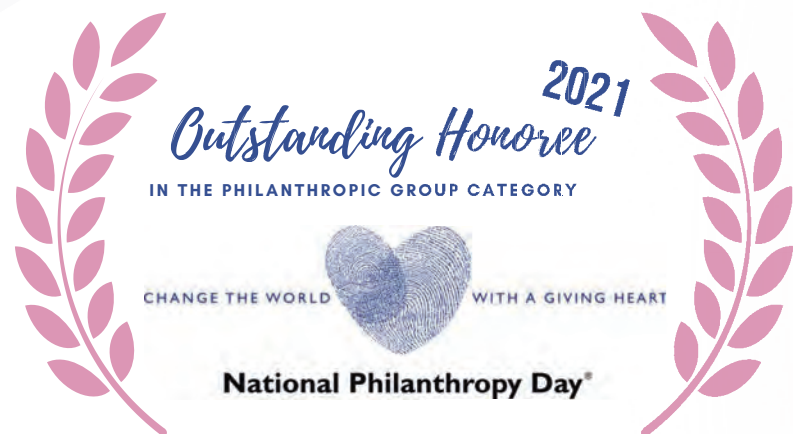
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Bracken's Kitchen: Rescuing, Repurposing, and Restoring Both Food and Lives

You lost your job two months ago and can't find employment that works around your sick child's medical appointments and needs. The bills are starting to pile up, your savings are gone, and your three kids need to eat. You know that you can get food from the local pantry, but it still must be prepared, and soon enough, you won't have a place to prepare it. You start to lose hope, uncertain of what will happen to your family.

The reality of this situation is all too common—hardworking families experience hard times without a financial cushion. It becomes hard to pay the bills, let alone put food on the table. It's frightening and difficult, and yet 500,000 people experience food insecurity every day in Orange County.

At the same time, a separate yet related issue is plaguing us. As a country, we waste up to 40% of our food supply. The reality is that perfectly good food goes into the landfill for a variety of reasons. At Bracken's Kitchen, our mission is to address both problems. Through food rescue, culinary training, and our community feeding programs, we are committed to rescuing, repurposing, and restoring both food and lives.

Every day, we go to work using rescued, donated, and purchased food to make meals for those in need (2.2 million meals last year), and training at-risk students in culinary arts (21 graduates in 2024) to give them a path out of poverty.

For additional information, please contact Bracken's Kitchen at 714-554-1923 or www.brackenskitchen.org.



 A black and white photograph of a woman and a young girl smiling warmly at the camera. The woman is wearing a dark jacket and has her hair pulled back. The girl is wearing a light-colored jacket. In the foreground, a plate of food is visible. The background is a blurred outdoor event with many people.

The logo for Bracken's Kitchen, featuring a red truck icon, the text "BRACKEN'S KITCHEN" in a red banner, and the tagline "• DRIVEN TO COMBAT FOOD INSECURITY ONE TASTY MEAL AT A TIME •".

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ONE PERSON CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR A SURVIVOR.
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One Person Changed Everything: Jessica's Story

Jessica was a child when she witnessed her father's violence toward her mother. Even then, she knew: "This isn't right. I don't want this. This will never be me." As a teen, her father's drug use escalated. One day, her mother fled with Jessica and her sister to her aunt's house. That one person saw, believed, and connected her to Human Options. There, they found safe haven, crisis counseling, and support. It was the start of a new life. Today, Jessica is a mother of two, breaking the cycle and building a future filled with love.



Our Vision

We are committed to a future in which every person and family in Orange County experiences safe, healthy relationships and lives free from fear.

Relationship violence is everyone's concern. Its effects extend beyond the individuals directly involved, touching families, communities, and our society. Together, each person can help break the cycle of violence by recognizing the signs and taking action to help those in need of safety. One person can make a difference, and when we all come together, we can change our community and end the cycle for generations. This has been our guiding light for over 40 years.

Every year, Human Options answers over **5,000 calls for help** and serves over **10,000 individuals** through prevention education, housing, counseling, legal advocacy, and case management. Behind every number is a story like Jessica's. Orange County business leaders can be that one person who changes everything. Partner with Human Options today.

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER
APRIL HERNANDEZ CASTILLO

As we shine the light on teens overcoming relationship violence, we're honored to welcome our keynote speaker, April Hernandez Castillo. She takes the audience behind the scenes to the most intimate parts of her life and uses her voice and humor to ignite, empower, and educate her audience.



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Safety in every action. Together, a path forward.

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WHAT IS HUMANITY IN ACTION?

Humanity in Action is a bold collective movement of volunteers powered by Human Options that turns everyday acts into life-changing support for survivors of relationship violence. It invites individuals, families, businesses, and entire communities to use their own strengths to help build a safer Orange County through connectedness, talent, or influence.

HOW CAN MY COMPANY HELP MAKE OUR COMMUNITY SAFER FOR SURVIVORS?

- + Host an In-Kind or Donation Drive
- + Leverage Your Company's Match
- + Host a Lunch & Learn
- + Attend Our #ShineTheLight Vigils
- + Adopt a Family for the Holidays
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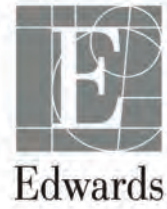
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Edwards employees work together to share food donations with a local non-profit partner.

Through Edwards' **Strengthen Our Community (SOC)** initiative, the company and its employees focus on three strategic areas to build vibrant, thriving, and healthy local communities. Those three pillars are Health, Education, and Economic Opportunity.

Through the SOC initiative, Edwards aims to impact 1 million underserved neighbors by 2030. It's an ambitious goal, but dreaming big is embedded in the Edwards culture. The company aspires for all employees to participate in a charitable activity annually, and more than 88% of its employees participated in 2024 alone. The company also matches individual employee charitable donations, so the generosity of any employee around the world can be doubled.

SPOTLIGHT YOUR BOARDROOM TALENT

Orange County nonprofits are powered by strong leadership. Recognize your newest board members in the On the Move section of the Orange County Business Journal. It's the perfect way to honor their contributions and showcase your organization's growth to thousands of local business leaders.

Recognizing new board members isn't just a formality – it's a way to strengthen your nonprofit's visibility, attract future supporters, and demonstrate the caliber of leadership guiding your mission. Featuring your announcement in On the Move connects your organization to Orange County's business decision-makers, building valuable awareness and credibility within the community you serve.

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HOW CANTLAY BRINGS COMFORT AND CARE TO SENIORS IN NEED Cantlay Food Distribution Center, Catholic Charities of Orange County (CCOC)

Every Tuesday morning, Dolores and Manuel Garcia wake up early, hand in hand. They quietly make their way out of their small Santa Ana apartment and make their way to the Cantlay Food Distribution Center, a lifeline tucked into the heart of Orange County.

The Garcias, both in their late 70s, live on a fixed income that barely covers rent and medication. Thanks to Catholic Charities of Orange County's Cantlay Food Distribution Center, they are provided with food on their table.

In Fiscal Year 2024 alone, the **Cantlay Food Distribution Center served over 765,000 individuals**, providing them with essential food, diapers, and dignity. On average, **more than 1,000 people visit Cantlay's doors each day** it is open, and each one carries a story like the Garcias—a story of struggle, resilience, and hope.

But now, that hope is at risk.

Due to severe state and federal budget cuts, Cantlay Food Distribution Center is in danger. Shelves that once overflowed with food are beginning to thin. Lines are growing longer, and the need has never been greater. When you give to Cantlay Food Distribution Center, you're putting meals on someone's table tonight. Your gift might mean a carton of eggs for a single mother, a bag of rice for a family of five, or canned soup for seniors like Dolores and Manuel.

Without urgent financial support, the center will be forced to turn people away. You can change that. You can keep shelves stocked. You can keep the lights on. **You can keep families fed.**

Text CANTLAY2025 to (657) 286-7677 to feed struggling families.

Photos taken at Cantlay Food Distribution Center

Hunger is Rising. Help Meet Cantlay's Need. Give today.

Our Help in Numbers

Our Impact in Fiscal Year 2024



- 767,678 Individuals received food/diapers
- 76,505 Calls to CCOC for services
- 34,208 Individuals received direct/indirect education from CalFresh Healthy Living
- 7,123 New Hope Counseling Services sessions/ & Peer to Peer Calls
- 4,552 Individuals received Citizenship Services
- 11,025 Individuals received Senior Citizens' Support Services

Total Individuals/Households Served & Calls/Sessions

904,524

Without immediate financial support, seniors on fixed incomes and struggling families will be left with nothing.

Your donation goes directly to Cantlay to provide them with meals.

Help Feed Our Neighbors

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Discovery Cube Orange County: A Look Back with Gratitude, A Look Ahead with Purpose

Since opening its doors in 1998, Discovery Cube Orange County has been on a mission to inspire, impact, and educate children through engaging, hands-on STEM programs. As Southern California's leading children's science museum, it provides innovative exhibits that ignite a love for STEM and empower the next generation of problem-solvers.

Expanding Horizons

Discovery Cube's Orange County campus has continued to grow and evolve, thanks to the continuous support of donor contributions. In 2023, the Cube added **Sea Lab**, a favorite among families and school groups that offers an up-close experience with marine life and expands environmental science education. Visitors connect with and touch a wide range of sea life, learning about the importance of ocean ecosystems.



Discovery Cube Orange County's Sea Lab Touch Tank

interactive tracks, and navigating Indi Cars using color tile coding. Special events like the **Turnabot Tournament** let local middle school teams showcase creativity and engineering skills, while hosting the **Robot Combat League National Championship** that attracts top competitors from across North America.

A Legacy of Support

Hundreds of thousands of children have walked through the Cube's doors, experiencing permanent and traveling exhibits that make complex scientific concepts understandable and exciting. This is possible because of the generosity of donors, partners, and community supporters. Their contributions allow schools and families from diverse backgrounds to access engaging exhibits, interactive programs, and innovative science learning experiences that inspire curiosity and problem-

As part of Discovery Cube's commitment to empowering guests, the **Discovery Cube Cares** initiative launched a series of **Impact Events**, engaging more than 2,000 volunteers of all ages. Together, participants have removed over **1,650 pounds of trash** from local beaches, safeguarding marine life and preserving coastal ecosystems, while learning about ocean conservation through real-world STEM experiences.

The Cube also brings STEM to life through recent programs like **Cubebotics**, where kids explore robotics through playful challenges and competitions. Activities include coding Sphero robots through mini-golf courses, guiding Dash bots along

solving skills. Sustained donor support is essential for expanding programs, exhibits, and outreach, ensuring an even greater impact in the years ahead.

Let's Come Together and Celebrate Science

Join Discovery Cube on **September 27** for the **"Par-Tee of the Year" Gala**, a night of celebration, gratitude, and fun that benefits future programs. The gala will spotlight the achievements made possible by donors and rally the community for what's next at the Cube.

For more information, contact **Tami Thompson, Vice President, Advancement & Community Engagement** at tthompson@discoverycube.org.

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Discovery Cube Chairman's Cup Golf Committee

The Chairman's Cup is Discovery Cube's largest annual fundraising event. This one-of-a-kind golf excursion has raised more than \$12 million over the past 20 years, and we couldn't do it without the generous support and incredible leadership of the Chairman's Cup Golf Committee. Beyond the incredible funds raised, the impact of the Committee extends even further. Their leadership, connections, and passion for the kids have brought countless new supporters, board members, and community champions to the Cube.

This committee is made up of business and community leaders; meeting year-round to plan and perfect the event. Our co-chairs, Steve Litchfield and Jim Mazzo, have served for nearly 10 years alongside Sean Barrette, Mark Clemens, Chris Copps, Karl Kreutziger, Jim Luce, Tom Mitro, and Tim Sullivan. Discovery Cube has benefitted from their collective impact, and we are proud to honor them as nine of our biggest fundraisers – and friendraisers – at this year's Par-Tee of the Year!

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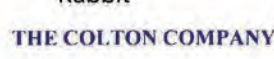
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