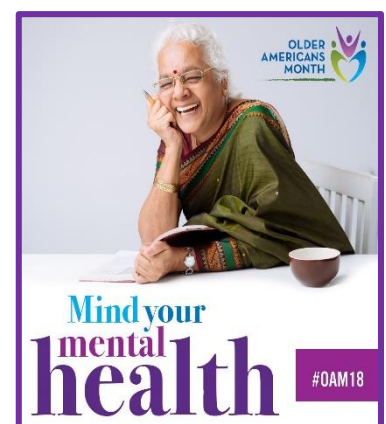
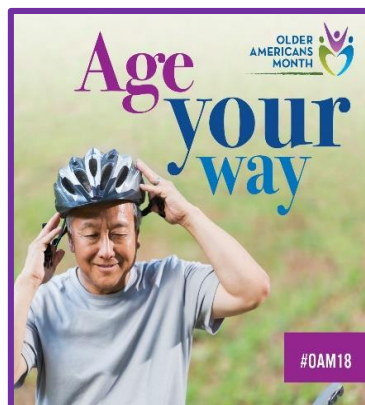
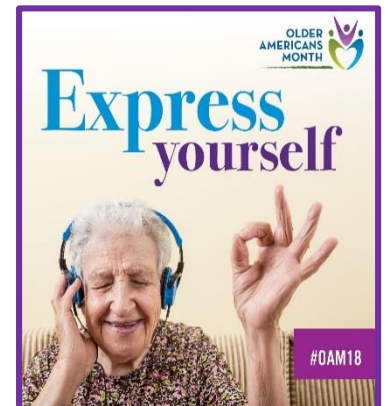


Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
Los Angeles County Commission for Older Adults
Los Angeles County Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services
Present:

The 53rd Annual Older Americans Recognition Day Awards Program

at
Dorothy Chandler Pavilion Music Center Grand Hall

Thursday, May 17, 2018



ENGAGE AT EVERY AGE: MAY 2018



Proclamation (Resolution)

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“OLDER AMERICANS RECOGNITION MONTH”

May 2018

WHEREAS, for the past fifty-two years the month of May has been proclaimed Older Americans Month; and

WHEREAS, the national theme for this year’s program is “Engage at Every Age”; and

WHEREAS, our older residents reinvest their resources in their communities through sharing their wisdom, talents and time with others; and

WHEREAS, these older volunteers work with our youth, assist with the homeless, support food pantries, visit shut-ins, advocate on behalf of nursing home patients, deliver and serve meals to the elderly, provide transportation to the frail and work in community hospitals; and

WHEREAS, through these activities and others, our older population continues to demonstrate the commitment to enhancing the quality of life for us all;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles that the month of **May is declared Older Americans Month, and that Thursday, May 17, 2018** is designated Older Americans Recognition Day and all residents are urged to participate in appropriate ceremonies honoring these men and women.

**ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Be active,
be well

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH



#OAM18

Try something new

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH



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Engage your way


OLDER AMERICANS MONTH



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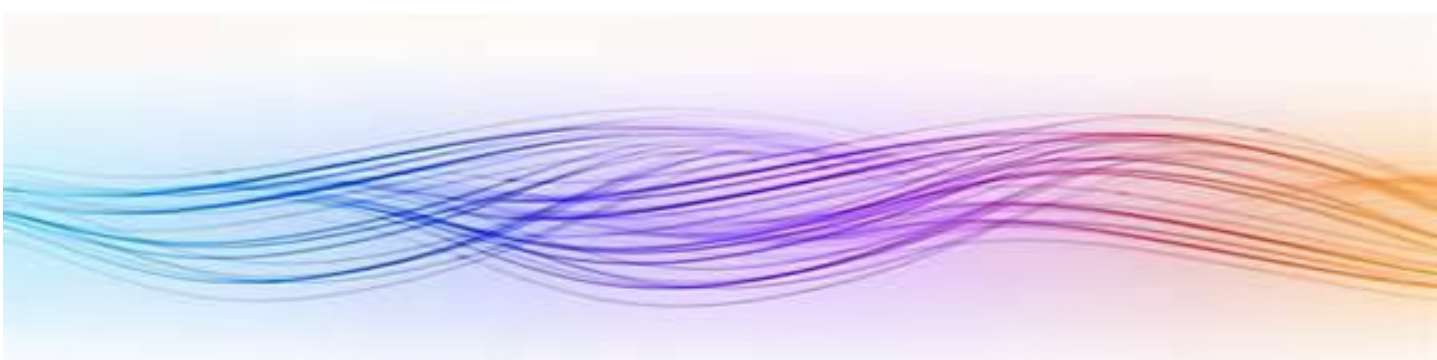
Reinvent yourself

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH



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May 17, 2018



Dear Distinguished Honorees:

On behalf of the Los Angeles County Commission for Older Adults (LACCOA), we welcome you and your guests to our Older Americans Recognition Day luncheon. This luncheon is an important part of the LACCOA mission to recognize individuals who enhance the quality of life for older adults in our community.

We are honored to have you today as we celebrate the 2018 Older Americans Month with the theme, "Engage at Every Age." What it means to age has changed, and the Older Americans Recognition Day luncheon is a perfect opportunity to recognize and celebrate what getting older and staying engaged looks like today.

We thank all of you for your passion, volunteer work and dedicated service and applaud you for your many contributions to all of Los Angeles County.

Warmest Regards,

Diana Love

Diana Love
President
Los Angeles County Commission for Older Adults

May 17, 2018



Dear Distinguished Honorees:

On behalf of Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services (WDACS), I would like to thank you and pay special tribute to all your contributions to our communities throughout Los Angeles County. It is truly an honor to be in front of you to celebrate the 53rd Annual Older Americans Recognition Day Awards with you. The theme of this year's celebration is "Engage at Every Age." It is to encourage all of us to take charge of our health, get engaged in our communities, and make a positive impact in the lives of others.

The theme also reflects on the 53rd Anniversary of the Older Americans Act. Since that time, the Act has provided a nationwide aging services network and funding that helps older adults live with dignity in the communities of their choice for as long as possible. These services include home-delivered and congregate meals, caregiver support, community-based assistance, preventive health services, elder abuse prevention, and much more.

By promoting and engaging in activity, wellness, and inclusivity, more Americans than ever before can "Engage at Every Age." While Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services provides services and programs that 'Saves Lives' to older adults in Los Angeles County year-round, Older Americans Month offers an opportunity to emphasize how older adults can access the home- and community-based services they need to live independently in their communities. It is also an occasion to highlight how older adults are engaging at every age with and making a difference in your own communities.

On behalf of Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services, I applaud and congratulate you.

Sincerely,

Cynthia D. Banks

Director
Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services



The 53rd Annual

Older Americans Recognition Day Awards Program

Thursday, May 17, 2018
11:30 a.m.

WELCOME

President Diana Love, LACCOA

INVOCATION

Los Angeles County Commission for Older Adults

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Los Angeles County Fire Department Honor Guard

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

Los Angeles County Fire Department Honor Guard

GREETINGS

OLDER AMERICANS RECOGNITION MONTH PROCLAMATION

Cynthia D. Banks, Director
Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AWARDS

3rd Supervisorial District – Chairman of the Board

1st Supervisorial District

2nd Supervisorial District

4th Supervisorial District

5th Supervisorial District

CLOSING REMARKS

President Diana Love



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Sheila Kuehl

Los Angeles County Supervisor, District 3



May 17, 2018

Dear Honorees of Los Angeles,

On behalf of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, it is my pleasure to welcome you all to the 53rd Annual Older Americans Recognition Day Event.

This award luncheon is to thank all of our honorees for their volunteer work all over Los Angeles County. The older adult population (65 years and above) in the Los Angeles region is expected to double between 2010 and 2030, from approximately 1.1 million to more than 2.2 million people. With such a rapidly growing older adult population, we must prepare our communities for the future of aging. We must have everyone be "Engaged at Every Age."

Today, you will be honored for all of your time, energy, and knowledge that you have so generously shared with the people of Los Angeles County.

I hope that you will enjoy the luncheon and that you will take with you the knowledge that you do make a positive difference in our communities.

Sincerely,

 *Sheila Kuehl*
Supervisor Sheila Kuehl

Chairman of the Board, District 3

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



HILDA L. SOLIS

Supervisor, First District

Supervisor Hilda L. Solis was sworn in as Los Angeles County Supervisor for the First District of Los Angeles County on December 1, 2014. Supervisor Solis' priorities included expanding access to affordable health care, protecting the environment, and improving the lives of working families. A recognized leader on clean energy jobs, she authored the Green Jobs Act which provided funding for "green" collar job training for veterans, displaced workers, at risk youth, and individuals in families under 200 percent of the federal poverty line.



MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS

Supervisor, Second District

Since his election in 2008, and reelected in 2012 and 2016 to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, Mark Ridley-Thomas has distinguished himself as a strong advocate for more than two million Second District residents. He presently serves as a board member of L.A. Care and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority. He also sits on the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission.



JANICE HAHN

Supervisor, Fourth District

Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn inherited a passion for public service from her late-father, Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, who held public office in Los Angeles County for 50 years, and who left behind an incredible legacy of service. As Supervisor for the Fourth District, she is making addressing the homelessness crisis her top priority. She also is working to step up the fight for environmental justice for communities plagued by pollution and health problems.



KATHRYN BARGER

Supervisor, Fifth District

Supervisor Kathryn Barger proudly serves the residents of Los Angeles County's Fifth Supervisorial District — the county's largest — spanning 2800 square miles, which includes 22 cities and 70 unincorporated communities in the San Gabriel, San Fernando, La Crescenta, Santa Clarita and Antelope Valleys. She is an advocate for the environment and efforts to preserve open space, enhance parks, trails, recreational programs and facilities; and strongly supports libraries and after-school programs to serve local communities.

CONGRATULATIONS THIRD DISTRICT HONOREES



Sheila Kuehl, Chairman of the Board
3rd District Supervisor

Genethia Hudley-Hayes, Education and Social Services Deputy
Rosaline George, Community Liaison on Aging

District 3 Commissioners

Robert Boller
Oleeta Igar
Sheila Moore
Anna Swett

Peter Mezza
Barbara Meltzer
Paul Jhin



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Raisa Aguf
Dedicated, Dignified, and Joyful
City of West Hollywood



Lorie Bird
"We're a Family"
Sherman Oaks East Valley Center



Harry and Pat Croner
Supportive, Enthusiastic, Caring
City of Westlake Village



Barry Engelman
Forward-Thinking, Kindhearted,
Steadfast
City of Santa Monica



Gwendolyn Erby
Generous, Dedicated, Hardworking
Alicia Broadus Senior Center



Selma Framson
Dedicated, Dependable, Efficient
Los Angeles OASIS



Kay Gabbard
Selfless, Dedicated, Compassionate
City of Malibu



Larry Sarokin
Passionate, Energetic, Friendly
City of Beverly Hills



Estrella Solaun
ONEGeneration



Socorro Vallejo
Dedicated, Fun-loving,
Compassionate
WISE & Healthy Aging Santa Monica



CONGRATULATIONS FIRST DISTRICT HONOREES



Hilda L. Solis, Supervisor
1st District Supervisor

James Blunt, Budget Deputy

District 1 Commissioners

Ruth Gonzales
Robert Jimenez
Charles Treviño

Helen Romero-Shaw
Elvia Torres
Sylvia Youngblood

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Rosa Artega
Helpful, Valuable, Delightful
East Los Angeles Service Center



Julia Avalos
Courageous, Generous, Reliable
City of Bell Gardens



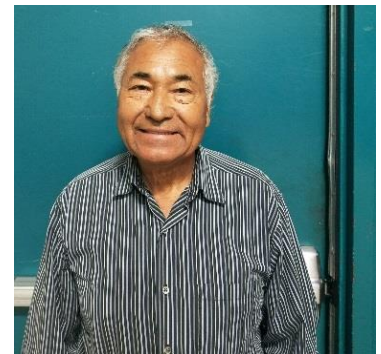
Sandra Baldonado
Ambitious, Civic-Minded, Engaging
City of Claremont



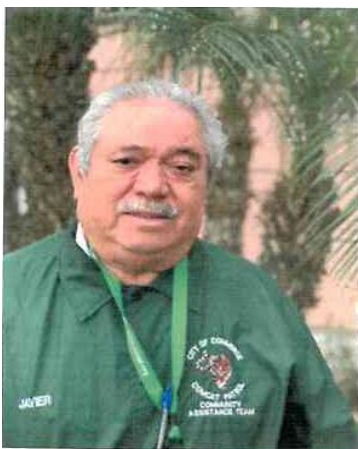
Teresa Cardenas
Essence of Volunteerism
El Sereno Senior Center



Blanca Figueroa
Encouraging, Pleasant, Generous
South El Monte Senior Center



Andres Garcia
Creative, Decorum, Dedicated
Salazar Park



Javier Hernandez
Honest, Dependable, Dedicated
City of Commerce



Concepcion Huidobro
Dedicated, Friendly, Helpful
Baldwin Park



Christell Hutchinson
Dedicated, Generous, Wise
City of Azusa



Lance Kung

Passionate, Reliable, and Dedicated
Langley Center



Josie Lugo

Compassionate, Trustworthy, Giving
City of Pico Rivera



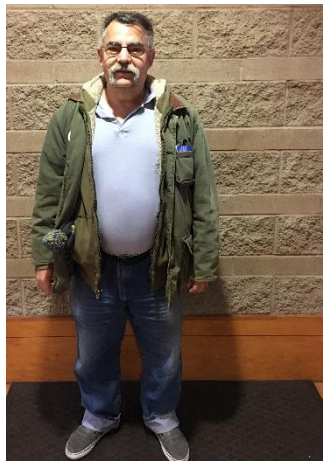
Molly Martinez

Creative, Thoughtful, Caring
Lou Costello Jr. Recreation Center



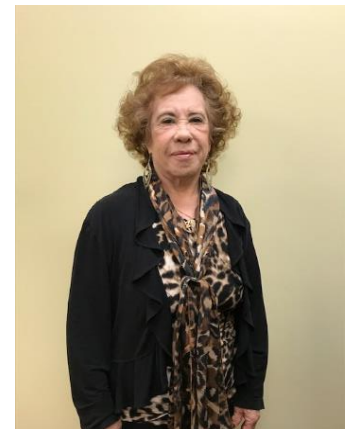
Genaro Mojarro

Dedicated, Motivational, Smiling
City of South Gate



Albert Morhaim

Friendly, Courteous, Hardworking
City of Rosemead



Eva Navarro

Friendly, Caring, Dependable
City of Baldwin Park



Maria Ornelas

Proactive, Enthusiastic, Energetic
PACE East Los Angeles



Jose Rivas

Committed, Responsible, Efficient
Eastmont Community Center



Iris Rodriguez

Energizer Bunny
City of Irwindale



Barbara Romero
Energizer Bunny
City of El Monte



Barbara Rush
Loving, Caring, Generous
City of Montebello



Shirley Sun
Committed, Dedicated, Patient
San Gabriel Valley Service Center



Karl Urlie
Service above self
City of West Covina



Marsha Watanabe
Dedicated, Humble, Fun
Little Tokyo Service Center



CONGRATULATIONS

SECOND DISTRICT HONOREES



Mark Ridley-Thomas, Supervisor
2nd District Supervisor

Emily C. Williams, Senior Deputy for Human Services and Child Welfare

District 2 Commissioners

| | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Estelle Beaver-Thomas | Elizabeth Payne |
| Marva C. Bell | Arvis Spriggs |
| Alice Craft | Lavada Theus |
| Charles Mitchell | Richard Wolfe |
| Michael Neely | |



ENGAGE AT EVERY AGE: MAY 2018



Ann Birdsall
Creative, Giving, Festive
City of Lawndale



Rosemary Cook
Dedicated, Integrity, Loyal
Jim Gilliam Senior Center



Cheryl M. Edgenton
Friendly, Energetic, Passionate
Ahmanson Senior Center



Kay Heineman
Extraordinary, Determined,
Compassionate
Culver City Senior Center



Ricardo Hernandez
Hard-worker, Helpful, Friendly
City of Lawndale



Peggy May
Awesome, Committed, Dedicated
Burke Senior & Community Center



Suk McDaniel
Generous, Advocate, Resourceful
City of Carson



Consuelo Murillo
Kind, Loving, Generous
City of Lynwood



Leeland Northcut
Trustworthy, Dedicated, Grateful
People Coordinated Services



Vivian Polk
Caring, Engaging, Joyful
City of Inglewood



Maude Riley
Dedicated, Compassionate, Wise
City of Compton



Daniel W. Robinson
Faithful, Dependable, Loyal
Hawthorne Senior Center



Jeanette Thigpen-Collins
Joyful, Passionate, Motivating
Willowbrook Senior Center



John Walker
Integrity, Committed, Motivated
East Rancho Dominguez Hills



CONGRATULATIONS FOURTH DISTRICT HONOREES



Janice Hahn, Supervisor
4th District Supervisor

Maral V. Karaccusian, Deputy of Children and Human Services

District 4 Commissioners

Jerry Gaines
Raymond Hall
Julia Rosenberg
Maria Mendoza
Carmen Reyes
Mary Alice Sedillo

Patricia Stanyo
Tanya Witt
Cathy McClure
Maria Wiest
Candace Yee

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Diane Campisi
Energetic, Motivating, Creative
City of Manhattan Beach



Phyllis Clark
Dedicated, Emphatic, Loyal
Lakewood Weingart Senior Center



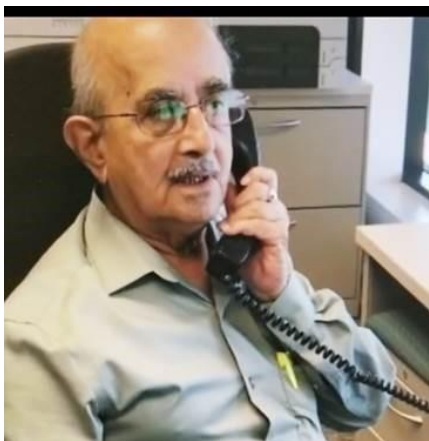
Annette Creasy
Dynamic, Dedicated, Determined
Cerritos Senior Center



Patty Faustner
Happy, Kind, Blessing
Human Services Association



Gustavo Garcia
Dedicated, Caring, Valuable
City of Downey



Bhagwam Giovani
Dedicated, Tireless, Friend
Torrance Commission on Aging



Luis Guillen
Caring, Loyal, Tireless
City of Santa Fe Springs



Carmen Himes
Sweet, Caring, Responsible
City of Paramount



Betty Jacobson
Practical, Insightful, Inspiring
City of El Segundo



Irma Ochoa
Honest, Loyal, Dedicated
Steinmetz Park Senior Center



Graciela Oropeza
Patient, Happy, Giving
Whittier Uptown Senior Center



Max Pineda
Loyal, Hardworking, Humble
Adventures Park



Maggie Ramirez
Active, Accommodating, Adored
Normandie Recreation Center



Rose Richárd
Friendly, Dedicated, Caring
City of Signal Hill



Charlene Ricker
Qualified, Dedicated, Prepared
City of La Mirada



Val Schafer
Exuberant, Selfless, Loving!
City of Avalon



Albert Steele
Courteous, Dependable, Humorous
City of Norwalk



Estela Vega
Persistent, Activist, Leader
City of Hawaiian Gardens



Jo Anne Weber
"Go-To Girl!"
City of Rancho Palos Verdes

CONGRATULATIONS FIFTH DISTRICT HONOREES



Kathryn Barger, Supervisor
5th District Supervisor

Michelle Vega, Family and Children's Deputy

District 5 Commissioners

Margaret Belton
Diana Love
Peter McGrath
Gayle McKinney

Arlene Okamoto
Dancingwater Taylor
Linda Yamauchi



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Frank Aceves
Humble, Selfless, Passionate
City of Covina



Randi Bordeaux
Dedicated, Caring, Modest
Antelope Valley Senior Center



Frances Cherro
Dedicated, Feisty, Giving
City of Alhambra



Cookie Cici
Generous, Dependable,
Compassionate
City of San Gabriel



Quentin Shane Coleman
Teacher, Musician, Mentor
Val Verde Park



Darlene Crook
Dedicated, Passionate, Mentor
Hart Park House Senior Center



Donald J. Fandry
Dependable, Trustworthy, Caring
RELAC



Patricia Fuqua
Leader, Energetic, Consientious
City of Glendora



Bertha Gordon
Kind, Friendly, Helpful
Villa Esperanza Center



Tom Hamilton
Dedicated, Reliable, Loyal
City of Duarte



Mary Hansen
Devoted, Fearless, Philanthropic
City of Arcadia



Marcia Johnson
Compassionate, Contributing, Warm
Legacy Commons



Richard Krames
Compassionate, Personable, Leader
City of Burbank



Joyce Leeman
Humble, Dedicated, Selfless
City of Monrovia



Dawn Moore
Happy, Dedicated, Proud
City of Glendale



Mari Ruiz Quezada
Social, Creative, Kind
Villa Esperanza Center



Elizabeth Quinones
Friendly, Cheerful, Selfless
City of San Dimas



Carole Rodenbucher
Energy, Enthusiasm, Positive
City of Temple City



Donald Stevenson
Loyal, Dependable, Dedicated
City of San Dimas



Yolanda Valadez
Passionate, Unassuming Attitude,
Trustworthy
City of La Verne



Tommie Mae Ward
Compassionate, Uplifting,
Inspirational
Santa Clarita Valley Senior Center



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2018 RESOURCES

Supports and Services for Staying Independent

As we age, it's important to engage the services we need to stay well, involved, and independent in our communities. There are many federally supported resources available. This list can help you know where to start.

DEMENTIA: The Alzheimer's and related Dementias Education & Referral Center (ADEAR) has a staff of Information Specialists who can provide answers to your dementia-related questions, offer free publications, and referrals to local services. Visit alzheimers.gov or call 1-800-438-4380.

ELDERCARE LOCATOR: The Eldercare Locator is a nationwide service that connects older adults and their caregivers with trustworthy local resources. Whether help is needed with meals, home care, transportation, or caregiver support, it can point you in the right direction. Visit eldercare.acl.gov or call 1-800-677-1116.

HEALTH INSURANCE: State Health Insurance Assistance Programs (SHIPs) provide free, in depth, one-on-one insurance counseling and assistance to Medicare beneficiaries, their families, friends, and caregivers.

LONG-TERM CARE: While insurance may be part of your strategy, long-term care encompasses everything from services and finances to where you will live and how to navigate the legal, family, and social dynamics along the way.

PENSION COUNSELING: Currently serving 30 states, the Pension Counseling and Information Program offers free legal assistance to individuals experiencing a problem with their pension, profit sharing, or retirement savings plans.

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY: Go4Life is an exercise and physical activity campaign designed to help older adults fit exercise and physical activity into daily life. It offers exercises, motivational tips, and free resources to help you get ready, start exercising, and keep going. Learn more at go4life.nia.nih.gov.

RIGHTS PROTECTION: Always dial 9-1-1 if you or someone you know is in immediate danger. Otherwise, contact Adult Protective Services (APS). You don't need proof of abuse to report a concern. If you notice something, speak up. Call 1-877-4-R-SENIORS to report abuse.

VETERANS: The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs offers a range of services to those who have served, including benefit support, health programs, and crisis services. It also extends support to caregivers. Visit VA.gov or call the MyVA311 line at 1-844-698-2311.

VOLUNTEERING: Senior Corps connects Americans 55+ with people that need support. Through its Foster Grandparents, Senior Companions, and RSVP programs, Senior Corps strengthens communities while providing intangible benefits to volunteers. For more information visit: <https://www.nationalservice.gov/programs/senior-corps>.

INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE 1-800-510-2020

We offer our gratitude to the following individuals who so generously contributed their time and talent to making this event a success!

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Mark Ridley-Thomas, Second District
Janice Hahn, Fourth District
Kathryn Barger, Fifth District

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Patina Catering
Ana's Flowers
WDACS Graphic Design Team
WDACS Video Production Unit

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Volunteers**

(In Alphabetical Order by First Name)

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Andranik Grigoryan
Anna Musaderyan
Barbara Thomas
Benji Uy
Ester Barajas
Jeffrey Wang
Joel Diaz
Johnson Wang
Ken Fong
Kevin Anderson
Liana Melik-Adamyan
Louis Viera
Martha Tejeda-Dunigan
Michael Pelayo
riKu Matsuda
Roberto Coronado
Sedigheh Cervenka
Sho-Wei Fan
Sonia Velasco
Sonik Ajonian
Yuisa Gimeno

Congratulations to all the
2018 Honorees!