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ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION CELEBRATES \$20 MILLION MILESTONE FOR IHEARTOC GIVING DAYS

*OCCF continues its track record of success in rallying philanthropic support
for Orange County's most impactful nonprofits*

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. (Jan. 5, 2023) – The [Orange County Community Foundation](#) (OCCF) has announced that its **iheartOC Giving Days** have garnered a cumulative \$20 million in charitable contributions to fuel the missions of local nonprofits. Launched as a single countywide day of giving in 2015, OCCF's initiative has evolved into a year-long series of Giving Days bringing together donors and nonprofits to address Orange County's greatest needs. To date, the \$20 million contributed has benefited 1,254 local nonprofits in their missions to support the county's most vulnerable residents.

Announced at OCCF's 2022 Annual Meeting on December 1, 2022, by President and CEO Shelley Hoss, the [\\$20 million Giving Day milestone](#) not only reflects the success of the past but growing momentum for the future. In 2022, OCCF's iheartOC Giving Days attracted support from more than 6,700 donors and yielded \$4.7 million for local nonprofits, making it the program's most successful year to date.

"On OCCF's 25th anniversary in 2015, a single iheartOC Giving Day was our gift to the Orange County community, and each year since, our neighbors have answered the call to give where their hearts live," said Hoss. "Our community's faithful support and enthusiastic engagement motivate us as we build on this foundation of generous support for Orange County nonprofits."

OCCF's [iheartOC Giving Days](#) use an online giving platform to match local donors to Orange County nonprofits with shared missions – from homelessness and workforce development to preserving ecosystems and supporting at-risk youth – to create momentum on a shared day of giving and leverage their collective outreach efforts.

OCCF's Giving Days have raised a total of \$20,966,161 since 2015. The first two countywide iheartOC Giving Days in 2015 and 2016 raised a combined total of \$5,080,705. The new Collaborative Giving Day model launched in 2017 has raised \$15,885,456 to date through the following annual Giving Days:

- **Help Them Home (Housing and Homelessness): \$8,170,553**
- **Igniting Potential (Youth): \$1,733,357**
- **Greatness Amplified (Youth): \$1,688,811**
- **Preserving Dignity (Older Adults): \$881,706**

- **Stand & Salute (Veterans and Military Families): \$785,854**
- **ImpACT Anaheim (Youth): \$618,392**
- **The Future Is Working (Workforce Development): \$544,246**
- **Empowering Possibilities (Disabilities): \$527,769**
- **Protect & Preserve (Environment): \$480,870**
- **Love Is (LGBTQ+/Youth): \$453,898**

“It takes a community of change-makers to raise more than \$20 million, and we thank all our donors and nonprofits who keep our neighbors’ needs close to their hearts,” said Carol Ferguson, director of donor and community engagement at the Orange County Community Foundation.

For more information about Orange County Community Foundation Collaborative Giving Days, please visit oc-cf.org/givingdays. Media are encouraged to visit the [iheart OC Giving Days Landing Page](#) to view key statistics and infographics.

About Orange County Community Foundation

Founded in 1989, the Orange County Community Foundation (OCCF) works with donors, strengthens the local nonprofit sector and works to find solutions to community needs. Since its inception, OCCF has awarded more than \$900 million in grants and scholarships, ranking the organization as the 3rd most active grantmaker among all U.S. community foundations. For more information, visit oc-cf.org or call 949-553-4202. Be a part of our conversation on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#). View OCCF's 2021 annual report [here](#).

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