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**APHSA Announces Recipient of 2024 Jerry W. Friedman Human Services Impact Award**  
*Gerald Huber recognized for a lifetime of services at APHSA National Human Services Summit*

ARLINGTON, VA – Gerald Huber, Director of Solano County Health and Social Services in California, received the esteemed Jerry W. Friedman Human Services Impact Award at the annual American Public Human Services Association (APHSA) National Human Services Summit 2024. The Summit provides a platform for knowledge-building on emerging national policy issues that affect the human services sectors, while also providing the opportunity to recognize the achievements of APHSA members and partners.

“Gerald Huber is truly deserving of this honor, stated Rhonda Smith, Administrator, Solano County Child Welfare Services. As a dedicated leader, he is unwaveringly committed to enhancing human services, all while ensuring that every member of our team is valued and heard. Mr. Huber is the perfect role model for leaders in our sector—one we should all strive to emulate.”

Mr. Huber’s 30-year career has demonstrated an unwavering dedication to public service, and his innovative leadership has significantly enhanced the quality of human services in Solano County and beyond. In addition, Mr. Huber’s efforts have been instrumental in fostering strong state and county relationships in Wisconsin and Minnesota, while his work has led to transformative reforms across various states including Minnesota, Wisconsin, New York, and California. He has also been instrumental in crafting welfare reform programs that have shaped national policy.

The Jerry W. Friedman Human Services Impact Award honors individuals who embody Friedman’s vision of enabling all people to live to their full potential along with his commitment to stronger, healthier families and communities. Gerald Huber’s extensive work in human services, serving not only as a leader but also as a mentor and coach, epitomizes the spirit of this award and makes him an exemplary recipient.

The [APHSA National Human Services Summit 2024](#) took place June 9-12 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Arlington, VA.

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and communities nationwide. As a bipartisan membership association, they work with their members to generate pragmatic solutions grounded in lived experience with a lens for equity and belonging. Visit [www.aphsa.org](http://www.aphsa.org) to learn more.

