Making a Difference

LATLC
LOS ANGELES
TRIAL LAWYERS' CHARITIES

Annual Report

2021 - 2022

A 501(c)(3) Organization

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WHO WE ARE

TRIAL LAWYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

Justice in the Courtroom. Service in the Community.



CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE

Assembly

RESOLUTION

By the Honorable Matthew Dababneh, 45th Assembly District; and
the Honorable Richard Bloom, 50th Assembly District; Relative to commending the

Los Angeles Trial Lawyers' Charities

Whereas, The relationship between a community and its nonprofit organizations is a vital and interdependent one, deriving its strength from the civic involvement and dedication of all those who engage with such organizations, the many positive outcomes these organizations make possible, and the spirit of cooperation, respect, and pride they foster within the community; and

Whereas, One such laudable organization is the Los Angeles Trial Lawyers' Charities (LATLC), which will be recognized on the floor of the California State Assembly on May 11, 2015, in honor of the organization's nine years of productive partnerships with numerous Los Angeles charities and its own efforts to improve the well-being and quality of life for thousands of people in need, and upon this occasion, it is appropriate to highlight the organization's many achievements and underscore its positive impact throughout the greater Los Angeles area; and

Whereas, Founded in 2006 by seven trial lawyers, whose small group soon grew to include 24 original Founding Friends, all of whom cared deeply about social justice and wanted to make a difference in the quality of life for people who were oppressed and underserved, LATLC has since grown to include over 1,000 attorneys, donors, sponsors, supporters, and volunteers working in partnership with more than 30 charities; and

Whereas, As a nonprofit public benefit corporation organized exclusively for charitable purposes, LATLC is committed to fulfilling its avowed mission to make a positive difference in the quality of life for people within the greater Los Angeles area by focusing on issues related to education, children, battered women, and homelessness; and

Whereas, LATLC's Board of Directors is comprised of 25 attorneys who have dedicated themselves to giving back to the communities served by LATLC by volunteering their time to help the organization, whose membership base is proudly drawn from the Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles, California Employment Lawyers Association, California Applicants' Attorneys Association, and Consumer Attorneys of California, although LATLC is not officially affiliated with any of these organizations; and

Whereas, Partnering with other nonprofit organizations throughout the Los Angeles community that assist one or more of LATLC's focal constituent groups, LATLC is wholly dedicated to providing support for these organizations, which include, among a diversity of others, Aviva Family & Children's Services, Clothes The Deal, Downtown Women's Center, Homeless Not Toothless, Los Angeles Mission, Ocean Park Community Center, St. Baldrick's Foundation, Toberman Neighborhood Center, Venice Family Clinic, and Youth Mentoring Connection; and

Whereas, Having achieved success as a force for positive change for those most in need, the Los Angeles Trial Lawyers' Charities has made invaluable contributions to communities throughout the greater Los Angeles area, and in so doing, the organization and all of its participants and partners have demonstrated their wholehearted commitment to the highest ideals of community service; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by Assembly Members Matthew Dababneh and Richard Bloom, That the Los Angeles Trial Lawyers' Charities be commended for the outstanding and impactful contributions it has made to the people of the greater Los Angeles area through its charitable partnerships, programs, and services, and extended sincere best wishes for continued success in the future.

Members Resolution No. 939

Dated this 11th day of May, 2015

Honorable Matthew Dababneh
45th Assembly District

Honorable Richard Bloom
50th Assembly District

LATLC was founded in 2006 by a group of seven plaintiff personal injury attorneys practicing within the greater Los Angeles area.

LATLC has grown from the original seven founders to an organization of more than 3,000 supporters. Our managing Board of Directors includes 42 attorneys who have dedicated themselves to giving back to the Los Angeles community and who volunteer their time to help our organization.

LATLC's members are committed to making a positive impact on the lives of those in need throughout Southern California. We proudly draw our membership base from the Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles (CAALA), California Employment Lawyers Association (CELA), California Applicants Attorneys Association (CAAA) and Consumer Attorneys of California (CAOC) – though we are not officially affiliated with any of these organizations.

Message From Our 2021 & 2022 Presidents

Los Angeles Trial Lawyers' Charities is committed to helping our community through both financial support and volunteer service. Our theme this year was "Making a Difference." And we are proud to say, we are.

The past two years have been challenging with a pandemic and economic uncertainty disrupting both our service activities as well as our traditional fundraising. But we "prevailed."

This annual report will review the volunteer projects (both virtual and in-person), creative fundraising, and Signature Events (including the return of the Day of Dignity) that Los Angeles Trial Lawyers' Charities has been able to accomplish.

We added a third fundraiser – the 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament to benefit Great Tryke Giveaway.

We introduced a project at CAALA for attendees to write "thank you" cards to those in our community who are "making a difference" -- first responders, teachers, veterans, and medical professionals. The cards were designed by special needs artists at Exceptional Children's Foundation and Tierra del Sol.

We transformed our annual gala to a "Summer Soiree – Party with a Purpose" that connected each activity to one of our partner charities.

We were able to accomplish this because of YOU.

Thank you for your support and trust in Los Angeles Trial Lawyers' Charities. Have a wonderful 2023!

DANIEL KRAMER 2021
President



STEVEN VARTAZARIAN 2022
President

OUR MISSION

The primary purpose of the Los Angeles Trial Lawyers' Charities (LATLC) is to make a positive difference in the quality of life for people within the greater Los Angeles area, focusing on issues related to education, children, survivors of abuse, persons with disabilities, and homelessness, by providing financial assistance and volunteer service to groups in need. LATLC is a nonprofit public benefit corporation and organized exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

17 YEARS AND COUNTING:

OUR TIMELINE

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2006 — LATLC founded by Bruce Traney and 6-member board of directors; 4 non-profits supported

2007 — First Cy Pres donation made of $17,000.

2008 — $12,500 in grants made to deserving partner organizations.

2009 — $22,000 in grants support Los Angeles homeless community, children in need, and more.

2010 — $27,000 in grants are donated in support of local non-profits.

2011 — Records are broken again - $42,000 in grants are written.

2012 — LATLC grows to 300 supporters.

2013 — The first fundraiser - our golf tournament - helps us gift more than $50,000 in grants. The bylaws are revised and website designed.

2014 — The first Casino Night leads to grants over $100,000. Youth Sports began and honorary Board of Governors is established with 150 attorney donors.

2015 — LATLC is honored by the California State Assembly; our volunteer program formally started; and the College Scholarship Program is founded.

2016 — The first "Turkey & Toy Giveaway" holiday event in South Central LA is held; LATLC raised over $1.6 million; California State Senate honors LATLC; and the Honorary Board expands to over 200 donors.

2017 — 500 Toiletry Kits are assembled at the CAALA convention, serving as the first "in-booth" service project; LATLC hosts first "Great Tryke Giveaway" for children with special needs.

2018 — The board expanded to 41 members and volunteers over 1,100 hours to the community.

2019 — First "Day of Dignity" for the homeless is held; 2,009 volunteer hours are donated to the community.

2020 — Not withstanding the COVID-19 pandemic, LATLC raises $30,000 for College Scholarships and over $100,000 for grants, plus provided emergency grab/go student lunches and fresh meals for seniors.

2021 — First annual "3-on-3 Basketball Tournament" fundraiser to raise money for adaptive tricycles is held.

2022 — LATLC had its first "full" year filled with three Signature Events, three fundraisers and 16 volunteer opportunities!

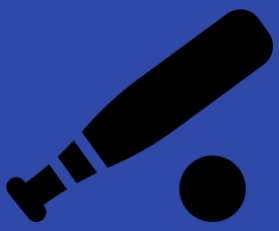
By the numbers...



$5,558,234
to the community in grants, gifts, and goods



122
partner charities



$186,700
to more than 120 youth sports organizations



104
custom tricycles presented to disabled children



13,000
neighbors in need given holiday meals and toys



$265,000
in college scholarships to 86 high school graduates



450
people attending Days of Dignity for the unhoused



9,353
volunteer hours since formal service programs began in 2015

What we do...

Los Angeles Trial Lawyers' Charities was formed to offer both financial support and community service to non-profit organizations in the greater Los Angeles area. LATLC's focus is on issues related to education, children, survivors of abuse, persons with disabilities, and homelessness.

Some of our service projects include:

- Cook and serve meals at Downtown Women's Center and The People Concern
- Provide equipment and uniforms for special needs boys and girls through Buddy Ball and Long Beach Beauties
- Decorate and host special holiday parties with Bresee Foundation, Hope of the Valley, and LA LGBT senior center
- Distribute food and clothing with Food on Foot and M.E.N.D.
- Plant edible gardens at P.A.T.H. and Vista del Mar
- Host Women's Empowerment activities with Clare/Matrix
- Facilitate events for matching foster children with forever families through KidsSave
- Assemble toiletry kits and goodie bags for the unhoused community.