



# Easter Seals Southern California Disability Services



**2014 Annual Report**





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**NOTE FROM**  
THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
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One of the strengths of Easter Seals is recognizing unmet needs and delivering impactful local services that provide our friends and neighbors with the support to address life challenges.

We are proud to share with you the meaningful work Easter Seals performed in 2014.

Among our achievements is the launch of our new Military & Veterans Services which meets the unique needs of veterans and their families in their transition to civilian employment.

We have expanded the number of Child Development Centers to provide more children with early education opportunities. Our Autism Services ensure that individuals and their families receive life-changing therapies.

Additionally, we continue our efforts to support adults to gain the skills essential for living independently, and we help them to achieve meaningful employment.

Working in partnership with our community we are proud to offer guidance, provide support and inspire action so that everyone can reach for and realize their potential.

Thank you for your generous support.



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Mark Whitley  
President and CEO

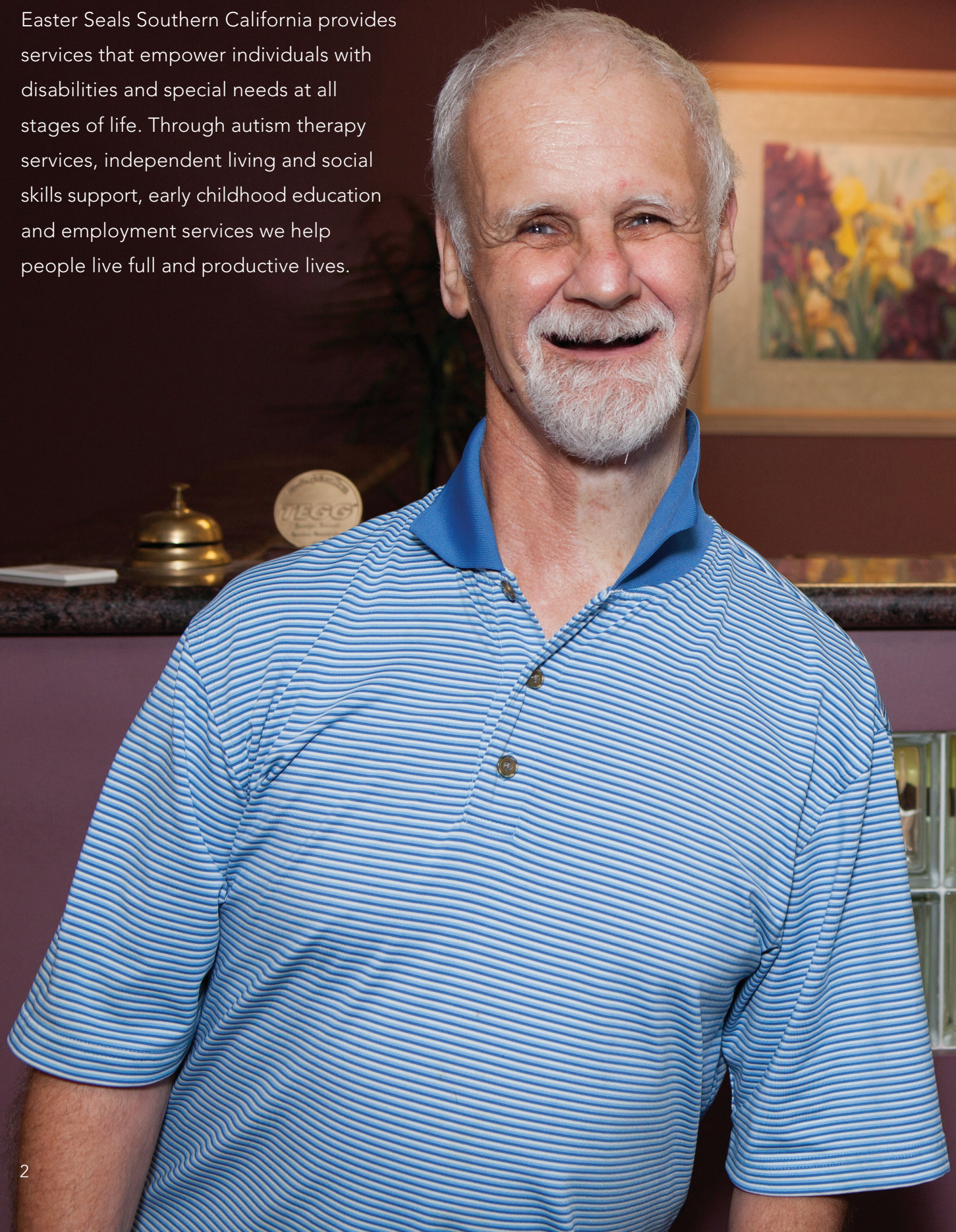
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Mary Platt  
Board Chair



## **ABOUT** **EASTER SEALS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

Easter Seals Southern California provides services that empower individuals with disabilities and special needs at all stages of life. Through autism therapy services, independent living and social skills support, early childhood education and employment services we help people live full and productive lives.





## WHAT WE DID

### ■ SUCCESSFUL SERVICES



**EMPOWERED 1,500** individuals with developmental disabilities to increase their independence through active community engagement and to build work-related skills through regularly scheduled volunteering.

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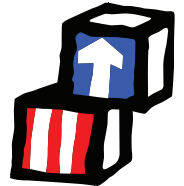
**MORE THAN 4,000** individuals with autism were provided with Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), Speech, Occupational, and Physical Therapy services.

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**ADDED 3** new centers in North San Diego County serving 280 children with Early Head Start and Head Start programs. Expanded services to 380 children in the Inland Empire. In total, 1,112 children and their families were provided with early education, day care, nutrition and other support services.

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**ONGOING SUPPORT FOR 150** individuals to live independently in local communities—not in institutions. Support provided at any level needed from minimal to 24 hours a day from trained Easter Seals staff.

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**ASSISTED 168** individuals with disabilities to find and keep meaningful employment at corporations and small businesses throughout Southern California.

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**SUPPORTED 150** veterans, one-on-one, to transition from the military to civilian work. We also connected veterans and their families with other resources including higher education, VA benefits, housing, financial assistance and other support services.



## WHY WE DID IT

### ■ WORKFIRST / MILITARY & VETERANS SERVICES BOB HOPE VETERANS SUPPORT PROGRAM



### Diego Sosa



Diego Sosa was injured during an ambush in Iraq less than one year after enlisting in the Marine Corps. After months of rehabilitation to be able to walk again, he was given an honorable medical discharge.

And then he faced the daunting challenge of finding a civilian job.

While earning a Purple Heart for being wounded in battle is a mark of distinction for any veteran, it did Diego few favors as a job candidate. He searched for four long years without success. His confidence and self-esteem plummeted.

Diego came to Easter Seals WorkFirst's Military & Veterans Services (WF/MVS) after hearing about it from a friend. WF/MVS provided Diego with motivation, tips on articulating how his military experience applied to civilian jobs and connected him to networking opportunities.

As a result, he found full-time employment with the Riverside Transit Agency, where he helps veterans, seniors and people with disabilities learn how to use public transportation to increase their independence.

"It makes me feel like things have come full-circle," says Diego. "Thanks to the support of Military & Veterans Services, my job has given me a new mission in life and I love it!"



## ■ WORKFIRST

### Nicole Lambert

A lifelong animal lover, Nicole Lambert came to WorkFirst with the goal of getting the right part-time job that would put her on the path to become a full-time veterinary technician. "I've always loved animals, ever since I was a little girl," Nicole says with a smile.

Thanks to a grant designed to support services assisting young people to transition from school to work, WorkFirst was able to help Nicole hone her interview skills, create a compelling resume, and identify potential employers to land the job she wanted.



"Nicole was so shy that at the beginning she was unable to complete a conversation with an employer, let alone a full interview," WorkFirst Vocational Specialist Terri Hout said. "We worked together diligently and Nicole gained confidence in herself and her abilities."

Together they mapped Nicole's community to reveal opportunities that were in close proximity to her home. The mapping inspired informational interviews with employers to ultimately find the best employment fit.



Nicole was very engaged in this process and landed a position as a foal watcher monitoring newborn horses. "Terri helped me find the right job and I loved learning about the horses," she said.

Nicole and Terri continued to job search for additional work and she was hired for a more "hands on" position with Shadalane as a kennel attendant and groomer, another position carved through an informational interview with the employer.

In addition to her employment, Nicole has already completed two college courses with plans to transfer to community college within a year.



## WHY WE DID IT

### ■ AUTISM THERAPY SERVICES

#### Letter from a Parent

*Dear Easter Seals:*

*Two years ago when we started ABA Therapy with you our son was nonverbal, had no eye contact, no response to his name, no socializing and did no pointing. He was sensitive to noise, engaged in repetitive behaviors, climbed a lot, and zoned out.*



*The very first time we met our ABA team, we saw hope. Our team chalked out programs bringing the best out of him. The journey has not been an easy one, with both good and bad days, but week after week the ABA team worked hard to bring our son out of his shell. They not only helped our son but counseled and trained us too. We would not have been able to help him without their guidance.*

*We were so impressed how the ABA team worked that we moved Speech and Occupational Therapies under the Easter Seals umbrella too and we are happy that we did that. The ABA team maintained a professional and aggressive approach and carefully executed a smart plan in collaboration with Speech and Occupational Therapy to bring out the best in our son.*

*In two years he has improved remarkably. He is no longer non-verbal and can finally communicate his needs. His academic level is at par with kids his age and he even has started reading. He now not only responds to his name but can also write it legibly. The same kid, who could barely hold anything in his hand, is now writing.*

*His involvement with family and friends has increased. He has good eye contact and is barely zoned out. He was always a loving kid but now has started to display his affection. The way he comes to us for hugs and tickles makes us cry, it's as if he is finally reaching out to us.*

*We cannot imagine where our son would have been had Easter Seals not taken us under its wings and are excited to see what the future holds for him."*



## ■ SENIOR DAY SERVICES



**George Barnett** George Barnett, 77, spent his career installing commercial alarm systems and loved his job. After retiring and experiencing some health issues, he was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease which affected his balance, speaking voice and short-term memory.

It was clear George could no longer live by himself.

George moved in with his daughter Colleen. Colleen started searching the internet for programs for her father when she discovered the Easter Seals Senior Day Service in Brea—only 10 minutes from her office. Colleen and her siblings quickly discovered the luxury of not having to worry about their father during the day, because they knew he was with “really good friends” and well taken care of.

“Easter Seals gives us a necessary respite,” said Colleen. “We are not saints and sometimes it is just so overwhelming being the only caretakers for our father. When we take him to Easter Seals, we get a chance to recharge.”

Conversely, George receives a respite of his own at Easter Seals; with the opportunity to exercise more independence without causing worry. He loves the music, the crafts, the pet visits, games and the meals. Overall George says he, “likes the way Easter Seals does business” that he likes the way he is treated and the people who are there.

With the support of the Easter Seals Senior Day Service, George can live at home, and not in a nursing home or other institutional setting. He remains an active part of the family, including attending movies, giving car maintenance advice and joining along on beloved trips to Las Vegas. He also maintains his perfect attendance record at Easter Seals during the week.



## WHY WE DID IT

### ■ LIVING OPTIONS



#### David Holliday

For over a year David Holliday has enjoyed a level of stability and comfort that had been missing from his life in recent years. David, who had been in-and-out of various group homes, ended up living in a skilled nursing facility for two years, not because he needed that level of support, but because there were no other options for him.

An emergency call from the Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center landed David with Residential Service, one of the Living Options provided by Easter Seals. David moved into an Easter Seals house in Pasadena where he lives with three housemates, each with their own room.

"His family fell in love with the new home for David. There was great joy because they now knew he would be safe and in a supportive environment," Residential Administrator Alex Stott said.

David's life has changed tremendously. Weekdays he participates in an Adult Day Service where he is supported to volunteer at the local library and other organizations. He is active in his local community where he shops for groceries, drops off recycling, is a movie buff and is known to be quite the dancer at a regularly held community event. At home he is just as busy with housekeeping and yard work. "He is getting the opportunity to live a normal life," Stott said.

## ■ CHILDREN'S SERVICES

### Justin, Jayson and Jeremiah

Justin, Jayson and Jeremiah are triplets who have attended Head Start at an Easter Seals Child Development Center (CDC) for the past year. The four-year-olds, who were born prematurely, are thriving while they gain early education skills that are preparing them for kindergarten—and life beyond.

Because the boys experienced early health challenges and spent three months in neonatal intensive care, they were provided with physical therapy and support services through their local regional center. When those services ended, a nurse told their mother, Sarah Morales, about Easter Seals' CDC. "We learned the boys could get a school-like structure that was very similar to a private pre-school. The boys would also have a chance to learn more socialization skills. My husband and I decided this was the best program for our family and mostly for our boys."

The triplets are thriving at the CDC. "Easter Seals has helped with the progression of the boys' academic learning such as spelling, writing their names and letters and potty training," Sarah said.



Beyond early academic skills, the boys have also blossomed as individuals. "The CDC has helped their independence with each of them wanting to do more for themselves," Sarah said. "As triplets they are often seen as one when in fact they are three different people with three different personalities. With each of them having their own classroom and their own set of amazing teachers they are able to express their individuality. "

"There are so many things my husband and I love about Easter Seals, but more importantly there are so many things our boys love about Easter Seals, and that, is what is most important to us."



## HOW WE DID IT

### ■ DEVELOPMENT AND FUNDRAISING HIGHLIGHTS

**5** new members added to the Board of Directors.

“Friendraising” events **introduced hundreds** of new people to Easter Seals.

Presidents’ Council membership expanded to **90** members.

Income from Legacy Society estates totaled a record **\$510,645**.

**11** Grants were received including **\$1.1 million** from the Bob and Dolores Hope Foundation in support of Military & Veterans Services.

CVS Health in-store fundraising activities and golf tournament raised **\$267,000**.

Walk With Me raised **\$345,000** with support from CVS Health and other partner companies.

Baker’s Drive Thru Restaurant’s 26th Anniversary Safe Halloween Campaign raised **\$264,521**.

Century 21 overall fundraising efforts totaled **\$108,812**.

15th Annual Easter Seals Golf Tournament raised a record **\$85,000** to a sold out crowd.

Long standing partner, the Vons Foundation, contributed over **\$400,000** in support of such programs as Military & Veterans Services.



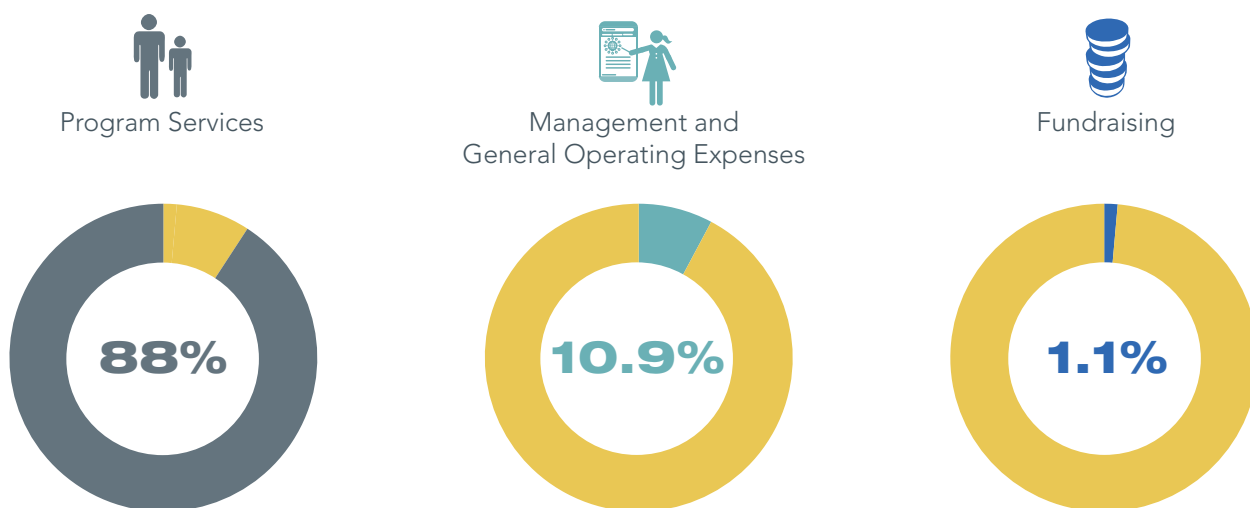
*Miranda Hope, in front of the San Diego sculpture saluting her grandfather Bob Hope for his work entertaining U.S. armed forces around the world for over 50 years. Military & Veterans Services clients Rob, Ted and Christopher join her.*



## COMBINED STATEMENT OF SUPPORT, REVENUE AND EXPENSE

SEPTEMBER 1, 2013 - AUGUST 31, 2014

### How Funds Are Spent:



#### SUPPORT AND REVENUE

Support contributions and Special Events \$1,995,695\*

#### REVENUE

Fees for Services and Program Grants 107,385,292

Interest and Other Income 64,584

**TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE \$ 109,445,571**

#### EXPENSES:

Program Services

Adult Services 26,548,409

Children's Services 67,595,321

**TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES \$ 94,143,730**

Support Services

Management and General 11,779,686

Fundraising 1,171,939

**TOTAL SUPPORT SERVICES \$ 12,951,625**

**TOTAL EXPENSES 107,095,355**

**CHANGE IN NET ASSETS \$ 2,350,216**

\* An additional \$523,068 was raised but deferred and will be recognized during the next year.



## HOW WE DID IT

### ■ PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL AND MAJOR GIFT DONORS

#### Thank You For Your Support.

Easter Seals' services are funded through contributions from individuals, foundations, corporations and government partners.

Our supporters include members of our premiere giving program, Presidents' Council, which recognizes donations of \$1,000 or more.

As a Presidents' Council member, not only does one receive benefits and recognition, but also the opportunity to be a part of a group of caring individuals who know the importance of serving people with disabilities and special needs.

#### Edgar Allen Founders Society

##### Over \$100,000

The Joann H. Aldus Estate  
The Hilley Family Trust

#### Independence

##### \$25,000 - \$99,999

The Evelyn Collavo Estate  
The Donald & Lorraine Dratwa Estate  
Edith Garvey

#### Empowerment

##### \$10,000 - \$24,999

Sal Alvarez Foundation  
The Ruth Fisher Family Trust  
The Estate of Diana Lee Kramer  
Artie Southam & Beezie Daly

#### Opportunity

##### \$5,000 - \$9,999

Kim & Tom Brickley  
Joel Kushell  
Ernie Ludy  
Patrice & Robert Martin  
The Michel Family  
The Katherine Moir Estate  
Mary & Michael Platt  
The Russell Estate  
The Trindade Family Trust  
Mark Whitley  
The Helen E. Zilen Estate

#### Dignity

##### \$2,500 - \$4,999

Larry Delpit  
Phil Gomez  
Paul Mosier  
Sadaye Nakata  
Herbert & Annemarie Rottenbacher  
Elsie Salvucci  
Michael D. Schneickert  
Bob & Monica Warnock

*\* List reflects gifts received January -  
December 2014*

### Jill Dulich



Jill Dulich has been an Easter Seals Southern California volunteer and Presidents' Council member for more than 20 years. She's served as board member and created the Easter Seals Invitational Golf Classic, which will celebrate its 16th year in 2015. Over the years the golf event has raised more than \$1 million in support Easter Seals services. Jill says the organization's mission and services hold a special place in her heart. "I grew up with a cousin who had a severe developmental disability. In those days people with disabilities ended up in institutions instead of living their lives." Jill wanted to make a difference, and she has. "It is important to give back to the community and I'll always have time for Easter Seals."

■ PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL AND MAJOR GIFT DONORS - continued:

**Ability**

**\$1,000 - \$2,499**

Nasim Ahmed  
Anonymous  
Hasani Azikiwe  
Debbie Ball  
Susan Berglund  
Carla R. Bivens  
Gary Brown  
Lisa Campbell  
Noel Castellon  
Kimberly Cohn  
Marianne Cooper  
Mr. Cory Craven & Dr. Paula  
Pompa-Craven  
Adrienne Day  
Richard and Nancy Digiorgio  
Diane Drolet  
Michael & JoAnne Flory  
Phyllis Fox  
Gary & Vicki Frappier  
Ray Frew  
Gene Friis

Jerrold Glass  
Cynthia Gomez  
John Grazal  
Paul & Heather Haaga  
Emily Hannifin  
Jennifer Hans  
Dorothy Harkness  
Catheryn Hoehn  
Carlene Holden  
Molly Ingraham  
Georgia & James Jarvis  
Dion Kenney  
Theodore King  
Kathleen Kolenda  
Mr. and Mrs. John & Anne Lee  
Stan & Mary Longenecker  
Beverlyn Mendez  
Douglas & Lisa Palmieri  
Karah Parschauer  
Donna Pfeiler  
John Prins  
David Pyott Foundation  
Betty & Brian Reckard

Anita B. & Howard S. Richmond  
Foundation  
Dianne C. Robinson  
Richard E. Rogers  
Cathy Saliba  
Leon Saliba  
Ryan Sanchez  
Albert Schiele  
Shelby & Tom Schulte  
John Simmers  
Cathy Simpson  
Laurence Small  
Christopher Smith  
Sandra & Leslie Speakman  
John Stranger  
Edith Wald  
Jeffrey Webb  
Nancy Weintraub & David Kahn  
Robert Wheatley  
Tamar D. Wilson  
Christopher Wesierski  
The Karen & David Wolf Family

**Patrice Martin**



Patrice Martin worked with people with emotional challenges, developmental delays, cerebral palsy and autism throughout college and grew up with a brother with Down syndrome. Her experiences made her aware of Easter Seals. According to Patrice the organization “won her heart” with its individual, client-centered services and dedicated staff. She was so impressed that she decided to go “all in” and started fundraising and raising awareness in local communities about the great work Easter Seals does.

“Every person should be able to reach their full potential,” said Patrice. “Easter Seals works to achieve that goal for clients by collaborating with community organizations and volunteers. The spirit of the organization is so ‘other-centered’ I believe it can solve problems much faster and better and makes the programs more cutting edge.”

Professionally a nutrition and wellness professional, in her spare time for the past 12 years, Patrice has demonstrated her passion for Easter Seals in the form of year-round fundraising. From her opportunity raffle, to an auction and her annual basketball fundraising event, over the past four years her DreamMaker’s group has raised more than \$45,000 in support of Easter Seals services.



## HOW WE DID IT

### ■ CORPORATE & FOUNDATION SUPPORT



*From left: At Petco Park in San Diego, Easter Seals Board member and CVS Health Regional Sales Manager for Region 54 Doug Palmieri presents a donation to Easter Seals CEO Mark Whitley; John Funk, Director of Operations for Easter Seals' WorkFirst/ Military & Veteran Services (WF/MVS); Dan Quinn, Easter Seals Director of Corporate Relations; Rob Moore, US Navy Veteran and WF/MVS client; and WF/MVS Vocational Specialist Vince Martin.*

## CVS Health

CVS Health has a longstanding partnership with Easter Seals Southern California. In the past decade, locally CVS Health has provided more than \$2.5 million in support of our services. This past year, CVS Health and its employees generously invested their time and talents to raise more than \$100,000 through efforts such as bake sales, car washes, picnics, and baseball games.

Hank Casillas, CVS's new Area 14 Vice President, Tony Pagano, Director of Sales for Area 14, and Board Member Doug Palmieri, Regional Sales Manager for Region 54, have been huge advocates for Easter Seals. They opened doors and introduced our organization to people they know in order to raise awareness of Easter Seals and the services we provide. Through their efforts, retail suppliers have partnered to create the Retail Supplier Partnership (RSP) Golf Tournament to support Easter Seals, raising more than \$160,000 from this event in 2014. In addition, Doug's Region 54 Team in San Diego donated \$3,500 of school supplies to the Easter Seals Child Development Center in their area.

CVS Health supported our annual Walk With Me fundraising event in a big way with a turnout of almost 300 participants from various corporate divisions including their distribution center and loss prevention. Employees came from as far away as Santa Clarita to Long Beach for Walk With Me where CVS' Area VP Hank Casillas presented Easter Seals Southern California with a donation of \$267,000, representing the total of CVS Health's 2014 fundraising efforts.

Easter Seals Southern California thanks CVS Health for their generous support.

## ■ CORPORATE & FOUNDATION SUPPORT

### Edgar Allen Founders Society

#### Over \$100,000

Ahmanson Foundation  
Baker's Burgers, Inc.  
Bob and Delores Hope Charitable Foundation  
CVS Health  
Verizon Foundation  
Vons Foundation

### Independence

#### \$25,000-99,999

Century 21 Award, Inc.  
Swords to Plowshares

### Empowerment

#### \$10,000-24,999

Allergan Foundation  
Amway Global  
ASF Foundation  
Bundy Foundation  
Carrie Estelle Doheny Foundation  
Century 21 Hilltop  
Century 21 My Real Estate  
The Rite Aid Foundation  
US Bank Foundation

### Opportunity

#### \$5,000-9,999

Albert J. Speh, Jr. and Claire R. Speh Foundation  
Alta Dena Certified Dairy  
Anheuser-Busch  
Aztec Tents  
Bacardi USA  
Beam Suntory  
Brown-Forman  
Coca-Cola  
Diageo Spirits  
E&J Gallo Winery  
Fraternal Order of Police  
Golden Grove Trading, Inc.  
Heineken  
Jim Beam Brands  
MillerCoors  
Orange County's United Way  
Pernod Ricard USA  
TY KU Premium  
Union Bank Foundation  
Wells Fargo Capital Finance

### Dignity

#### \$2,500-4,999

Accretive CFO Services of San Diego LLC  
Albert B. Cutter Memorial Fund  
American Business Bank  
American Greetings  
Banana Boat/Hawaiian Tropic  
Campari America  
Cell Business Equipment  
Century 21 Town & Country  
Century 21 Wright  
Century 21 Yarrow & Associates Realtors  
Classic Wines  
Constellation Brands - North Division  
Constellation Brands - South  
Constellation Brands Beer Division  
Delicato Family Vineyards  
Don & Sons  
dSd Partners  
E&M ESR, Inc.  
Edrington  
Fetzer  
Francis Ford Coppola  
Frito Lay  
Gallo Sales Company  
Green Hills Memorial Park  
Heaven Hill  
Hess Collection  
International Beverage  
Kaiser Permanente Community Benefits Program  
Kohl's  
LA Lighters  
Law Offices of Terry L. Wood  
Pabst Brewing Company  
Pepsi Beverages Company  
Popchips  
Proximo  
Regal Wine Co.  
Remy USA  
Santa Barbara Foundation  
Sazerac  
Semptra Energy Foundation  
Sidney Frank  
Souplantation  
Tito's Handmade Vodka  
Toy Wonders  
Trinchero Family Estates  
UBS Employee & Matching Gift Programs  
Unified Grocers  
Wells Fargo Commercial Banking  
William Grant



## ■ CORPORATE & FOUNDATION SUPPORT - continued:

### Ability

**\$1,000 - \$2,499**

American Endowment Foundation  
Brady, Vorwerck, Ryder & Caspino  
California United Bank  
Callas & Heise  
Century 21 King  
Century 21 United Brokers  
Community Health Charities  
DaVita Total Renal Care, Inc.  
Edwards Lifesciences Fund  
Epsilon Sigma Alpha Foundation  
Fenton Grant Mayfield Kaneda & Litt, LLP  
Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund  
Ford, Walker, Haggerty & Behar Attorneys at Law  
Frasco Investigative Services  
Greater Los Angeles New Car Dealers Association  
Hard Copy, A Bierly Company  
Heggeness, Sweet, Simington & Patrico, A.P.C.  
ICS Merrill  
J.W. Mitchell CO, LLC

Law Office of Wilson & Pesota, L.L.P.  
Law Offices Of Robert Wheatley  
Lister, Martin & Thompson Attorneys at Law  
Mantle, Zimmer & Eulo, LLP  
Metro Risk Management  
Microsoft Matching Gifts Program  
Newmeyer & Dillion, LLP  
Parente & Christopher  
Pepsi Co Employee Match  
Riverside County Probation Baker 2 Vegas  
San Gabriel Valley Homes, Inc.  
Semptra Employee Giving Network  
Tacos & Co.  
The Contractor Connection  
Travers Realty Corporation  
Truist  
US Claim Solutions  
Wells Fargo Community Support Campaign  
Wesierski & Zurek LLP  
William and Sonia Pindler Family Foundation  
Wingert Grebing Brubaker & Juskie, LLP Attorneys at Law

## Amanda Fowler

Three times a week participants in Easter Seals Senior Day Service enjoy the Refresh Program, a solid hour of exercise tailored to meet their physical abilities. Seniors using the day service are often facing early memory loss, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, or cardiovascular related impairments. The Refresh Program helps keep them physically mobile and mentally engaged.



"Refresh" is made possible through a grant from the Edwards Lifesciences Foundation, which provides philanthropic support to many health- and community-focused programs around the world.

"From the technologies that we innovate, to the philanthropic programs that we support, helping people is our passion," said Edwards' Amanda Fowler, Executive Director of Global Corporate Giving.

"We believe that getting seniors to be more active is one of the best ways to improve their overall wellness and we are proud to support Easter Seals in their commitment to improving the quality of life of the seniors they serve."

## HOW WE DID IT

### ■ IN-KIND DONOR SUPPORT

#### RSP Golf Tournament

Alexander Valley  
American Greetings  
Anheuser-Busch  
Bacardi  
Banana Boat/Hawaiian  
Tropic  
Brown-Forman  
Callaway  
Catalina Express  
Coca Cola  
Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf  
Constellation Brands  
Coppertone  
Coppola  
Delicato  
Gallo Wine Co.  
Heaven Hill  
Hostess  
Ice Man  
International Beverage  
Jim Beam  
LA Lighters  
Lagunitas  
Michael David  
Pabst Brewing Company  
Pepsi  
Pernod Ricard  
Popchips  
Proximo  
Sazerac  
Sidney Frank  
Ste Michelle  
Taphandles Craftbrew  
Tito's Handmade Vodka  
Trinchero Family Estates  
TY KU  
Wente Family Estates  
Westridge  
William Grant  
Wine Group  
QDIC Distributors Inc

#### Walk With Me

Alta Dena  
Bubba Gump Shrimp  
California Pizza Kitchen  
Chili's  
CVS Health  
Hooters  
Islands

Kay's Goodness  
Nature's Bakery  
Outback  
PF Changs  
Souplantation  
Stephan Arias Photography  
Whole Foods

#### Easter Seals Golf Tournament

24 Hour Fitness - Yorba  
Linda  
Adobe Design  
Anaheim Fairfield Inn  
Anaheim Marriott  
Aquarium of the Pacific  
Baker's Drive Thru  
Blue Agave  
Bradford and Barthel  
Bridgestone Tires  
Callaway Golf  
Capelli Salon and Day Spa  
Catalina Express  
Cleveland Golf  
Coca-Cola  
Courtyard by Marriott  
Downtown Long Beach  
Courtyard by Marriott  
Henderson Green Valley  
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Discovery Science Center  
Disneyland Resort  
Edible Arrangements - Yorba  
Linda  
Ford, Walker, Haggerty  
& Behar  
Fountain Valley Courtyard  
Healthy Living Pharmacy  
Jim Zerboni  
Joel Kushnell  
JW Marriott Ihilani Ko Olina  
Resort & Spa  
JW Marriott San Francisco  
Union Square  
Kauai Marriott Resort  
Larkspur Courtyard  
Las Vegas Marriott  
Los Angeles Dodgers  
Manhattan Beach Marriott

Marina del Rey Marriott  
Michael Caspino  
Monterey Marriott  
Mountain Shadows Golf Club  
Naomi Killian  
Office Depot  
Pepz Pizza & Eatery  
Redmond Town Center  
Marriott  
Renaissance Los Angeles  
Airport Hotel  
Residence Inn Arcadia/  
Pasadena  
Residence Inn by Marriott  
Cypress/Los Alamitos  
Residence Inn by Marriott  
Henderson Green Valley  
Residence Inn by Marriott  
Santa Ana Tustin  
Residence Inn Torrance/  
Redondo Beach  
Roclord Studio  
Rubio's - Yorba Linda  
Salt Cellar Restaurant  
San Diego Marriott Marquis  
& Marina  
San Francisco Airport  
Marriott Waterfront  
San Francisco Marriott  
Marquis  
San Francisco Marriott  
Union Square  
San Jose Marriott  
Seattle Airport Marriott  
Seattle Downtown/Pioneer  
Square Courtyard  
Seattle Federal Way  
Courtyard  
Slapfish  
Spa Gregorie's  
Stefano's Restaurant  
Sunkist  
The Garden Gate  
The Original Pancake House  
The Ritz-Carlton Marina  
Del Rey  
Theory R Properties  
Tony Landry  
Torrance Marriott South Bay  
Total Wine & More  
Trader Joe's

Vineyard Roz  
VIP Limousines & Coaches  
Waikiki Beach Marriott  
Resort & Spa  
Wayne Nelson  
WP24 by Wolfgang Puck  
Restaurant and Lounge  
Yoga Sol

#### Debbie Oliver Golf Tournament

Amazing Grapes  
Daily's Sports Grill  
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#### Century 21 Hilltop Golf Tournament

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Wood Ranch Golf Club

#### Safe Halloween

Aquarium of the Pacific  
Backstreet Performing Arts  
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California State University  
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CBS Radio  
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El Dorado Broadcasters  
Fiesta Village Family Fun  
The Friends of CID  
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iHeartMedia  
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## HOW WE DID IT

### ■ LEGACY SOCIETY

#### Connie Horton

Connie Horton says Easter Seals played a life-changing role for 10 years of her daughter Tami's life. Tami was born prematurely and was eventually diagnosed with Cerebral Palsy. When Tami began using Easter Seals services at the age of 24 she had been through many surgeries and therapy, had long since completed public school, and after a stint in community college wanted to try something new.



*Connie Horton (on left) with Diane Drolet, Easter Seals Sr. Philanthropy Officer for Planned Giving/Major Gifts.*

"Tami was a bright young woman. We searched and searched for somewhere she could go and be actively involved," Connie said. "I remembered that when Tami was 2 years old a neighbor had mentioned Easter Seals. He said it was a wonderful organization and it was his charity of choice although he had no special need individuals in his family. All those years later, the phone call I made to Easter Seals was one of the best and most important calls I've ever made in my life."

For a decade Tami was an active participant in Easter Seals Adult Day Service. "She learned to live as independently as possible, make her own decisions and built a community of friends," Connie says. "She was active and social. She rode public transportation, went on field trips, attended meetings and made decisions on spending her money. Most of all she was happy,"

Connie also noticed that Tami's independence had a positive effect on the rest of the family too. "To know Tami was in good hands and safe gave us comfort and peace. I learned Easter Seals helps not only the individual with special needs, but the entire family."

Sadly, Tami's health began to fail and her father passed away suddenly. "Tami's grief was so deep she could not express it but she wanted to go to Easter Seals. Her Easter Seals coach made sure Tami was comfortable and happy as much as possible. The compassion and understanding from all of those who worked with Tami are beyond words," Connie said.

At age 34 Tami passed away. In honor of Tami's memory, Connie has chosen to recognize Easter Seals in her estate plan and has joined Easter Seals Legacy Society. "Because of the importance of Easter Seals in our lives, I will continue to do as much as I can to promote the organization. I'm thankful for my neighbor and his words many years ago. I now understand how he felt about Easter Seals because I feel that way too."

## ■ LEGACY SOCIETY

Legacy Society donors are individuals who have planned to support Easter Seals beyond their lifetime. Their estate gifts leave a lasting legacy well into the future.

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