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Love Anaheim Chosen as a Top 2022 Non-Profit

(Anaheim, CA) Love Anaheim is thrilled to receive notice from the California Association of Nonprofits that State Senator Tom Umberg has chosen it as the Senatorial District 34 “2022 Nonprofit of the Year”. We have been counted among an exclusive group of nonprofits honored by California legislators for the work we are doing in Anaheim and beyond.

Love Anaheim operates as an arm of JMh, Inc. creating a multi-sector service project movement with the goal of loving and serving Anaheim. Business, civic, governmental, sectarian, and educational organizations come together, bridged through Love Anaheim building lasting and productive relationships that benefit the community. These efforts have resulted in park improvements, senior citizen assistance, school site enhancements, food pantries and many other worthwhile activities.

Executive Director, Nathan Zug was surprised and pleased by the designation: “When a plurality of organizations all pull in the same direction, amazing works can be accomplished and then repeated again, and again. The support of our partner organizations and the citizens of Anaheim multiply our efforts exponentially yielding an impact for good that is far greater than any of us working alone.”

About Senator Tom Umberg

State Senator Tom Umberg is a retired U.S. Army Colonel, former federal criminal prosecutor, three term state legislator, small business owner and Deputy Drug Czar for President Clinton. Senator Umberg served three terms in the State Assembly representing central Orange County. Since his arrival in the State Senate in 2018, Senator Tom Umberg has chaired the Senate Elections Committee and the Senate Judiciary Committee.

About California Association of Nonprofits

Nearly 10,000 members strong, “CalNonprofits” brings nonprofits together to advocate for the communities they serve. Their work includes assembling nonprofits to discuss and debate issues, to think through the implications of government and philanthropic actions, and to build networks that support member organizations. Further, they work with legislators and nonprofit coalitions to develop legislation that will allow nonprofits to bring full power to serving communities and remove the obstacles to efficient contracting and high-impact work.

About JMh Anaheim Foundation, Inc.

Launched in 2015, the Foundation has filled the gap between community needs and resources held by the typically recognized outlets. By bringing stakeholders together, requests, communication and permission are streamlined. The foundation serves in five focus areas: operating “Pathway to Work for Homeless” (funded by the City of Anaheim), feeding the disadvantaged, supporting seniors, community service, and developing chaplaincy.

JMh – Anaheim / Love Anaheim Story and Organizational Info

Our Story

Harnessing the good between Faith Based and non-Faith Based Organizations was the vision and dream of JMh – Anaheim Founder Nathan Zug in 2000. JMh stands for Justice, Mercy and humility. After much thought, council, and planning, JMh-Anaheim was established in 2013 to do just that, “harness goodness between Faith Based and non-Faith Based Organizations so that one effort of “the greatest good” could be accomplished in the community.”

In 2015, DBA Love Anaheim was initiated with the goal of "Spreading Goodness, Meeting Needs and Demonstrating Kindness." Love Anaheim began to match willing leaders, volunteers, and funding to accomplish a wide range of need-based projects. The Love Anaheim Movement grew in 2015 and 2016 as goodness, compassion and kindness were contributed across Anaheim’s sectors: non-profits, school districts, Faith Based Groups, businesses, service organizations, city departments, residents, and guests - all working together for the common good of Anaheim. Since 2016, Love Anaheim has mobilized more than 3,500 volunteers to complete more than 400 projects across the city.

In 2017, JMh launched the Better Way Anaheim (BWA) program - a “pathway to work” for homeless individuals. BWA is a partnership agreement with the City of Anaheim, funded by Anaheim, that offers “willing, able and likely to succeed” homeless individuals an opportunity to: 1. volunteer for a meaningful service project, 2. be connected to City Net Homeless wrap-around services, and 3. receive a \$60 gift card. The BWA program grew from a 6-month pilot operating 1 day a week into a 4 day per week program now in its 5th year, serving up to 80 individuals per month. BWA expanded in 2021 into a 2-part program: BWA 1.0 serves up to 40 homeless individuals per month with a service project opportunity for a \$60 gift card and BWA 2.0 provides up to 40 days per month of employment to qualified homeless individuals who work for 15-week segments, 1-2 days per week.

Our Mission, Vision, and Values

JMh’s Mission: to serve by building bridges and relationships between government bodies, non-profits, service organizations, business community, school districts, faith-based community, in order to mobilize each sector’s goodness.

Love Anaheim’s Mission: to meet the needs of the Anaheim community by matching resources to service opportunities with the goal of spreading goodness, meeting needs, and demonstrating kindness.

JMh Vision Statement:

Inspiring self-sacrificial service momentum (among the 6 sectors of Anaheim) so that there are no needs in the City of Anaheim left unmet this month, this year or in the next 3 years.

JMh Values:

Justice – doing the best right thing or producing the best right action which supports the value, dignity and well being of a person, group or organization.

Mercy – not giving what is deserved, giving a second chance

Humility – possessing and displaying actions and attitudes that reflect an accurate view of self or the organization – not a higher view or a lower view – an accurate view.

Kindness – doing something to meet the need of a person, group or organization with no expectation of anything in return; can be displayed by a gift, an action or with words.

Relationships – physical, emotional, spiritual, and social connections that resulting from in person interactions; attentiveness to those connections, so they grow stronger over time.

Collaboration – working together to achieve a common outcome that produces a collective synergistic impact or result.

Flexibility – attitudes and actions that display openness to change plans, direction, patterns or structures.

Service – contributing to another person, group or organization in a way that meets a need or produces a benefit

Consistency – attitudes and actions that are integrally the same over time despite the nature of the environment, changes that occur, or challenges that create pressure.