

# FOSTERALL FLASH

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## Gala 2019

Guests celebrated "There's No Place Like Home" for FosterAll's 2019 Gala at the beautiful Vibiana in downtown LA. It was a successful, enchanted evening beginning with Glinda the Good Witch arriving in a bubble. Receiving FosterAll's Guardian Angel Award was the Archdiocese of L.A., who graciously opened their parishes for FosterAll to recruit hundreds of prospective resource parents. Founders Dr. Mary Rotzien and Brian Buchanan gave the Founders' Alumni Scholarship Award to Jayvon McComb who beamed from ear to ear. We are incredibly grateful to our Board, sponsors and donors for their generosity.



## County Events

This Spring FosterAll had the opportunity to recruit for LA County DCFS. There were five Fostering Home events across the county with hundreds of families in attendance. Families had the opportunity to complete an orientation and to learn the differences between foster family agencies and the County. The goal was to help jump start as many families as possible in their foster journey. We are looking forward to partnering again with Fostering Home this Fall.



## Hilaroo

This July FosterAll and the Hilaroo Foundation hosted two Hilaroo camps. Kids learned the importance of trust, respect, and communication, all with the help of four legged pups! Our 39 campers were each paired with a furry friend and a camp counselor to connect with for the week. When the dogs were taking a much needed break, kids were expressing themselves through art and creative therapeutic activities. Thank you to the Hilaroo Foundation for the opportunity for our kids to learn and grow in such an exciting way and to CrossPoint Church for sharing their campus with Hilaroo. We are deeply grateful.

## Noemi - Hometown Hero

Normally you see us speaking in church on a Sunday, but the weekend of August 18th was an exciting exception. Our very own Noemi Amezcua was honored as a Hometown Hero by the L.A. Chargers for her dedication to the foster children who have come into her care. Noemi has fostered over 80 children, including some with physical disabilities. It was a special moment to share with others. Noemi is an incredible example of the impact faith and community can have in a foster child's life.

