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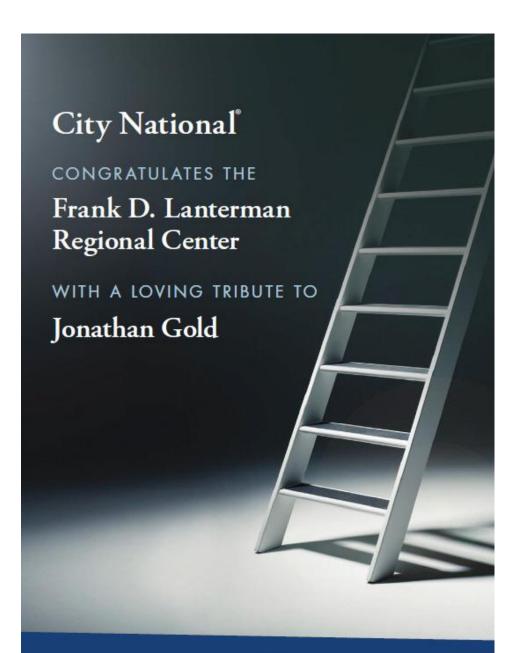
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Esperanza Community Housing Corporation

Welcomes you to our 17th Annual Dancing Under the Stars Dinner Celebration

PROGRAM

Master of Ceremonies: Tamika Butler

6:00	Welcome
	Registration & Silent Auction
	Music by the Fernando Pullum Community Arts Center Jazz Band
6:30	First Course - Appetizers
7:30	Second Course – Entrees
7:45	Awards & Recognition
Sister Diane Donoghue Fierce Hope Award to: Jonathan Gold, L.A. Times Restaurant Critic (awarded posthumously)	
Esperanza Community Housing Social Justice Award to: Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center	
8:15	Silent Auction Ends
8:30	Final Course - Dessert
Latin Dance Music by La Gran Sonora USA	
10:00	Thank You and Closing

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Esperanza Community Housing Corporation is a social justice non-profit in South Central Los Angeles that achieves longterm, comprehensive community development. We recognize that Indigenous, Black, and Latino immigrant communities are disproportionately impacted by historical oppression. disinvestment, health disparities, and displacement. Therefore, we develop and preserve affordable housing; elevate health equity and access to care; mobilize for environmental justice; create and protect local economic opportunities; expand engagement in arts and culture; and advocate for policies protecting human rights. Esperanza collaboratively to strengthen South Los Angeles. In all of our actions, Esperanza builds hope with the community.

Community Housing Corporation organización sin fines de lucro que trabaja por la justicia social y promueve un desarrollo comunitario integral de largo plazo en el Sur Centro de Los Ángeles . Reconocemos que las comunidades indígena, negra y latina inmigrante han sido afectadas de manera desproporcionada por la opresión histórica, las disparidades en salud, la desinversión y el desplazamiento. Por lo tanto, desarrollamos y preservamos viviendas asequibles; promovemos el acceso a la atención médica y la equidad en salud; movilizamos por la justicia ambiental; creamos y protegemos oportunidades económicas a nivel local; ampliamos el compromiso en las artes y la cultura; y abogamos por políticas que protejan los derechos humanos. Esperanza, trabaja de manera colaborativa para fortalecer el Sur de Los Ángeles. En cada una de nuestras acciones, construimos Esperanza con la comunidad.

Message from the Board Chair & Executive Director

Dear Friends,

Welcome and thank you for joining us as we celebrate the community and the collective work in which we've engaged for 29 years. Esperanza has endeavored, throughout our history, to uplift community voices in the transformative efforts toward equity and justice, and to rise as one to demand institutional changes that benefit all Angelenos. It is our privilege to continue with the vision of our founder, Sister Diane Donoghue, to build hope with community - especially here in South Central Los Angeles.

This year we have graduated a new class of **Promotores de Salud** to increase community health leadership and advance health equity, community organizing, and civic engagement. We have also expanded the workforce for Asthma home visitation programs across southern California through our Asthma Academy training partnership. We have partnered with coalition colleagues to impact both local and state policies regarding equitable development, resulting in L.A. County's first-ever platform to guide its investment in transit. The year has also marked a huge victory for our UNIDAD coalition, as our People's Plan Campaign was successful in shaping the City's South/Southeast L.A. Community Plans, with 80% of the community's recommendations adopted by the city. We continue to work in partnership with communities harmed by the fossil fuel industry to end urban oil drilling in our neighborhoods, and to build support in the city for a 2,500 foot human health and safety buffer. And our Mercado la Paloma, continues to deepen in its importance to this community, as a social and culinary center - improving the local food environment and providing innovative programs of deep value, cultural identification, and enrichment for those who participate in them. In addition to on-site voter registration, the Mercado has also become a polling station in 2018. Throughout the year we relentlessly advocated for policies that support immigrant rights, and to defend our community against displacement and family separation. These are just some examples of the work we have done to uplift and embolden the power of our community.

Tonight, we honor two community champions. The **Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center** is one of Esperanza's extraordinary partners with whom our Promotoras have for the last five years worked to ensure comprehensive support to nearly 300 families with developmental disabilities. We proudly present them with the **Esperanza Community Housing Social Justice Award**. We are very proud of our collaboration with the Lanterman Regional Center and are grateful for the opportunity and their support in elevating the work of our Promotores in serving the community of L.A.

As we celebrate, our hearts are also saddened by loss. Esperanza had invited community champion and Pulitzer Prize winning food writer **Jonathan Gold** to be honored tonight for his extraordinary body of work, including writings and curated events that illuminate the beauty and richness of Los Angeles through the myriad culinary expressions of its uniquely local and immigrant communities. Tonight, we will honor his memory with the **Sister Diane Donoghue Fierce Hope Award**.

We are so appreciative that you are here, as we celebrate the power of community united for human dignity. Thank you for your important contributions to our work!

With love and respect,

Brian Eklund Board Chair

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Nancy Halpern Ibrahim Executive Director



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Esperanza Community Housing and its honorees

Jonathan Gold in Memoriam
Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center

for their dedication to improving life in our community.

Together we make a difference.



Sister Diane Donoghue Fierce Hope Award

Jonathan Gold July 28, 1960 - July 21, 2018



Jonathan Gold focused on the mom-and-pop shops, the street food and the lesser-known restaurants to expose their beauty to the masses. He touched so many people's lives and will be greatly missed.

Jonathan Gold was an American food and music critic. He wrote for the Los Angeles Times and had previously written for LA Weekly and Gourmet, as well as being a regular on KCRW's Good Food radio program. At the Times, he published a popular annual best-restaurants list, called "Jonathan Gold's 101 Best Restaurants". Although he covered all types of cuisine, Gold often chose small, traditional immigrant restaurants for his reviews. "Jonathan understood that food could be a power for bringing a community together, for understanding other people," said Ruth Reichl, who edited Gold at The Times and at Gourmet.

In 2007, Gold became the first food critic to win the Pulitzer Prize. In 2017, he founded the Time's L.A. Food Bowl festival. "I am trying to democratize food and trying to get people to live in the entire city of Los Angeles," he said in a 2015 interview with Vice. "I'm trying to get people to be less afraid of their neighbors."

Esperanza Community Housing Social Justice Award



The Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center is a private, non-profit corporation that operates under contract with California's Department of Developmental Services. The Center serves over 9,000 children and adults with developmental disabilities, who have or are at risk for a developmental delay or disability, and who are at high-risk of parenting an infant with a disability.

Established as a pilot regional center in 1966 at Children's Hospital Los Angeles, the Center was renamed in the 1970s after Assembly Member Frank D. Lanterman, who helped to pass landmark legislation for individuals with developmental disabilities in California.

Lanterman is one of 21 regional centers in the state of California, which together serve over 275,000 individuals with, or at risk for, developmental disabilities and their families. Lanterman is governed by a community-based board of directors that is comprised of individuals with developmental disabilities, family members, and community leaders.

Lanterman offers lifelong services and supports for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. The Center works together as partners with Lanterman's: clients, families, service providers, local communities, and government to provide quality services and supports that address individuals' unique strengths and needs and enable them to live independent, productive and satisfying lives as active members of their communities.

Lanterman and Esperanza Community Housing have partnered together since 2013 to meet the needs of individuals and families, increase access to and utilization of services, and support the empowerment of communities.

Master of Ceremonies

Tamika L. Butler

Tamika L. Butler serves as the Executive Director of the Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust, a non-profit organization that addresses social and racial equity, and wellness, by building parks and gardens in parkpoor communities across Greater Los Angeles.

Tamika has a diverse background in law, community organizing and nonprofit leadership. Recently she was the Executive Director of the Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition. Prior to leading LACBC, Tamika was the Director of Social Change Strategies at Liberty Hill Foundation, and worked at Young Invincibles as the California Director.

She transitioned to policy work after litigating for three years as an employment lawyer at Legal Aid at Work in San Francisco, CA (formerly Legal Aid Society-Employment Law Center). Tamika previously served as the co-chair of the National Center for Lesbian Rights Board of Directors and served on the board of an affordable housing land trust, T.R.U.S.T. South LA. She currently serves on the boards of the New Leaders Council - Los Angeles and Lambda Literary Foundation and is an advisory board member for Legal Aid at Work's Fair Play for Girls in Sports program. Tamika received her J.D. from Stanford Law School, and received her B.A. in Psychology and B.S. in Sociology in her hometown of Omaha, Nebraska. She currently lives in Leimert Park with her wife Kelly and their adorable Schnoodle Stewart Little.

Musical Performance



La Gran Sonora USA

La Gran Sonora USA was formed in Los Angeles in 2007 under the leadership of pianist and lead singer, Andrés García. Since its inception the orchestra has enjoyed a great

reception from the Latin audience of the United States. La Gran Sonora has traveled extensively through various U.S. states performing at large public and private events, alternating with renowned Latin American and local artists. The group is made up of talented Latin American musicians who currently reside in Los Angeles and who have been members of popular musical groups in their respective countries. To contact the group, please call 347-906-2545.

Musical Performance

Fernando Pullum Community Arts Center (FPCAC)



The Fernando Pullum Community Arts Center is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide quality performing arts instruction to atrisk youth and help them build selfesteem, develop civic responsibility, and achieve academic

success. Our teachers provide a program filled with structure and wellplanned curriculum to serve all students with a desire to learn and grow their talent.

Over the years, FPCAC's Jazz Band has performed for many dignitaries, including President Ford and Prince Charles. The students have performed with Jackson Browne, Stevie Wonder, Herbie Hancock, Lionel Hampton, Wynton Marsalis, Al Jarreau, Crosby, Stills & Nash, and many other incredible musicians. They have opened the Playboy Jazz Festival four times and traveled to Cuba, Brazil, Spain, and New York. Recently, Mr. Pullum and the FPCAC Jazz Band were honored to perform at the Emmy's Nomination Reception for Governors Michael Levine, Rickey Minor and their music peer group executive committee.

FPCAC provides quality arts instructions to under-served students in South Los Angeles. The FPCAC offers the following free classes: Piano, Guitar, Dance, Drums, Drama, Film, Music Recording, Beginning Instruments, Junior and Senior Jazz Band and Choir. In Collaboration with Marcus Garvey School, the FPCAC offers an Afterschool Enrichment Program which provides educational instruction in Math and Reading.

For more information about FPCAC's programs, contact the office at 323-292-2700, email at info@pullumcenter.org, or visit the website at www.pullumcenter.org.

Dinner Menu

Azla

Kale Salad

Kale, curry chickpeas, pickled onions, dates, olive oil, lemon juice

Yatakilt

Curry potato, carrot, cabbage

Ethiopian Coffee

Yirgacheffe coffee, cinnamon, cloves

<u>Burger Plaza Grill</u>

Mini Baked Potato

Red potato, double cheese, bacon

Chicken Napolitana

Breaded chicken, ham, Swiss cheese, tomato sauce, parmesan cheese

Plátanos Fritos con Crema

Fried plantains, Salvadoran sour cream

Chichén Itzá

Crema de Chaya

Cream of Chaya soup with crouton, sofrito & pumpkin seed oil

Bistec a la Yucateca

Pan seared New York Steak on a bed of fried plantains & potatoes

Papaya en Almibar

Candied papaya in a light syrup with Baby Edam Cheese

Holbox

Ceviche de Halibut

Small tostada topped with local halibut ceviche, avocado puree, and salsa roja

Callos con Rajas

Pan seared Maine Diver Scallops, roasted Poblano peppers, roasted mushrooms, cream and fennel

Fresas con Crema

Fresh strawberries, macerated strawberries, whipped cream and cookie crumble

<u>OaxaCalifornia</u>

Tostadita de Quesillo

Bean spread, Oaxacan cheese, cabbage, tomato, avocado, chili sauce

Taquitos de Pollo en Mole Negro

Chicken, mole negro sauce, queso fresco, parsley

Chamango

Mango sherbet, mango, tamarind, chamoy sauce, chili powder

<u>Savore</u>

Three Cheese and English Pea Tortellini

Buttered sage and pea emulsion, grated grana Padano

Braised BBQ Baby Back Pork Ribs

Spinach artichoke mashed potatoes, oven roasted Brussels sprouts

Butterscotch Budino

Pine nuts, rosemary biscotti

Taquería Vista Hermosa

Mini-Sopes

Corn masa, shredded chicken, cabbage, queso fresco, pico de gallo, guacamole

Ropa Vieja

Shredded stewed beef, bell pepper, onion, olives, herbs, served with rice and beans

Até de Membrillo

Quince, goat cheese, mint and nut

Thai Corner

Papaya Salad

Green papaya, tomatoes, green beans, garlic, lime juice, sweet tamarind sauce

Ginger Chicken

Sautéed chicken breast, ginger, onion, mushroom, bell pepper

Fried Banana with Coconut Ice Cream

Served with crushed peanuts and honey



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CONGRATULATIONS

Dear Friends.

It is a pleasure for me to extend greetings to all those attending Esperanza Community Housing Corporation's 17th Annual *Dancing Under the Stars* celebration on September 21, 2018.

I extend my warmest wishes to this year's honorees. Congratulations to the Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center for receiving the Esperanza Community Housing Justice Award. I commend the regional center for its dedication to uplifting and improving our community. I would also like to honor the late Jonathan Gold for receiving the Sister Diane Donoghue Fierce Hope Award. His contribution and legacy will carry on through generations.

Esperanza Community Housing Corporation has performed exemplary work in Southern California for twenty-nine years, continuing the legacy of its founder, Sister Diane Donoghue by creating affordable, equitable, safe, and healthy neighborhoods. Their programs are vital for the economic, social and environmental health of Los Angeles.

I applaud the achievements of Esperanza Community Housing Corporation and today's honorees. I look forward to working with you in the future on issues of mutual interest.

Warm Wishes,

Holly J. Mitchell Senator, 30th District



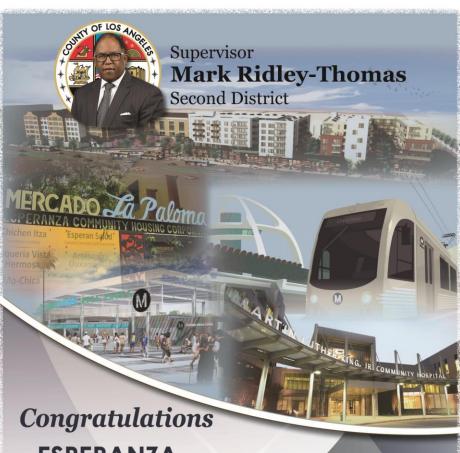
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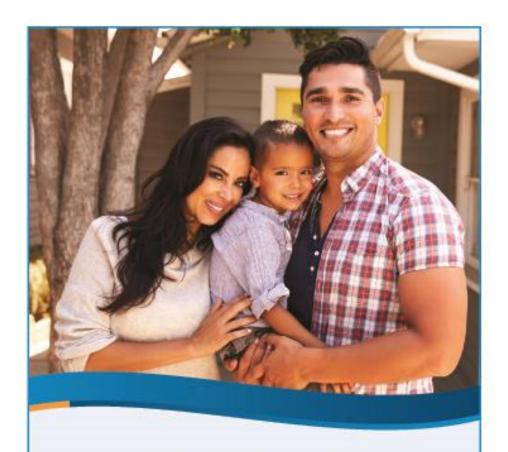
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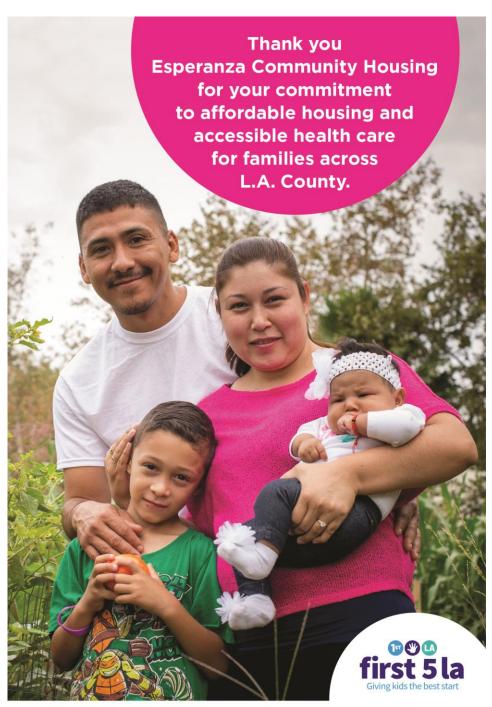
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