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## EVENT GUIDE

FEATURING 2024'S TOP 5:

*Galas, Luncheons, Breakfasts, Walks/Runs, Golf Tournaments and Unique Campaigns*



Cory Alder, David Pyle, David Benavides, and Steve Perry at KidWorks Cars & Cocktails event on November 14, 2024



Rebecca Hall (President & CEO, Idea Hall) and Oliver Badgio (Chief Brand Officer, Ocean 48) at the Friends of CASA Holiday Luncheon on December 13, 2024



Janet Curci, philanthropist; Sumanta Pal, co-director of City of Hope's Kidney Cancer Program; Frank Di Bella, founder, Let's Be Frank About Cancer



Event Honoree Tom Reyes, Gourmet Dinner Event Co-Chair Joe Ueberroth, Big Brothers Big Sisters OC & IE CEO Sloane Keane, Event Co-Chairs Navin Narang and Joe Juliano



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# JANUARY 2025

Day	Date	Organization	Event Name	Website
Saturday	25	Arts & Learning Conservatory	Symphonic Soul Concert	<a href="http://www.artsandlearning.org">www.artsandlearning.org</a>
Friday	31	Advance OC	The Future of Philanthropy: A Convening of Courageous Capital	<a href="http://www.advanceoc.com">www.advanceoc.com</a>

# FEBRUARY 2025

Day	Date	Organization	Event Name	Website
Thursday	20	Black Chamber Education Fund	Black Chamber Black History Month Future Leaders Luncheon	<a href="http://www.ocblackchamber.com">www.ocblackchamber.com</a>
Saturday	22	Catholic Charities of Orange County	35th Mardi Gras Gala	<a href="http://www.ccoc.org/events/mardi-gras-2025">www.ccoc.org/events/mardi-gras-2025</a>
Sunday	23	The Joyful Child Foundation	8th Annual BRAVE Race	<a href="http://www.runsignup.com/Race/CA/AlisoViejo/BRAVERace">www.runsignup.com/Race/CA/AlisoViejo/BRAVERace</a>
Tuesday	25	LGBTQ Center Orange County	Together We Belong	<a href="http://www.lgbtqcenteroc.org">www.lgbtqcenteroc.org</a>
Thursday	27	The Wooden Floor	Driving Futures: A College Scholarship Benefit for Students of The Wooden Floor	<a href="http://www.TheWoodenFloor.org/DrivingFutures">www.TheWoodenFloor.org/DrivingFutures</a>



35th Mardi Gras Gala - Catholic Charities of Orange County

## FEBRUARY EVENTS

### 35th Mardi Gras Gala

**FEBRUARY 22**

**Organization:** Catholic Charities of Orange County  
**Website:** [www.ccoc.org/events/mardi-gras-2025](http://www.ccoc.org/events/mardi-gras-2025)

Get ready for an evening of vibrant costumes, delicious cuisine, and live entertainment, all set against the beautiful coastal backdrop at the Pasea Resort in Huntington Beach. The Mardi Gras Gala is Catholic Charities of Orange County's premier fundraising event of the year, in which the organization raises critical funds to support Counseling Services for youth. For sponsorship opportunities, table reservations, tickets, and questions, please visit <https://ccoc.org/events/mardi-gras-2025> or email [events@ccoc.org](mailto:events@ccoc.org). Join Catholic Charities of Orange County to make a difference in grand Mardi Gras style!



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### Together We Belong

**FEBRUARY 25**

**Organization:** LGBTQ Center Orange County  
**Website:** [www.lgbtqcenteroc.org](http://www.lgbtqcenteroc.org)

Together We Belong Giving Day is a digital online campaign organized with several partner communities focusing on the work we do with social justice, equity and inclusion. Join us in making a meaningful impact as we unite to create a more welcoming, informed and connected community.

### Driving Futures: A College Scholarship Benefit for Students of The Wooden Floor

**FEBRUARY 27**

**Organization:** The Wooden Floor  
**Website:** [www.TheWoodenFloor.org/DrivingFutures](http://www.TheWoodenFloor.org/DrivingFutures)

Enjoy an evening of cars, cocktails, and creative performance with, Honorary Chairs Will and Cary Singleton. Inside Orange County's premier classic, exotic, and rare vehicle venue, the evening will raise funds for the profound, long-term investment The Wooden Floor makes in their students' academic journeys from elementary school to higher education, including The Wooden Floor's Merit-based College Scholarship Awards.



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Attendees of Share Ourselves' 31st Annual Wild & Crazy Taco Night in 2024. (Share Ourselves)

## MAY EVENTS

### Share Ourselves' 32nd Annual Wild & Crazy Taco Night

**MAY 14**

**Organization:** Share Ourselves

**Website:** [www.shareourselves.org](http://www.shareourselves.org)

This lively event advances the mission of Share Ourselves, bringing together Orange County's top chefs, who showcase their culinary creativity with unique taco recipes. Guests enjoy endless tacos and drinks, live music, an opportunity drawing, and the chance to make a meaningful impact. Proceeds directly benefit Share Ourselves goal to create a healthier, more equitable future for those in need. Your support contributes to essential services addressing medical and dental needs as well as food and housing insecurity. Don't miss this beloved OC tradition!



Waymakers Swing for Kids Golf Tournament May 2024, presented by Purus Wealth Management

### Waymakers Swing for Kids Golf Tournament

**MAY 15**

**Organization:** Waymakers

**Website:** [www.waymakersoc.org/events/swing-for-kids-golf-tournament](http://www.waymakersoc.org/events/swing-for-kids-golf-tournament)

Join us on May 15 for an unforgettable day of fun and purpose at the Waymakers Swing for Kids Golf Tournament! Set at the beautiful Oak Creek Golf Club, this exciting tournament includes 18 holes of golf, lunch, live and silent auctions, and dinner. Every swing from sponsors and players helps provide critical services, shelter struggling children, and support families in need within our communities. Don't miss your chance to enjoy a fantastic day on the greens while making a life-changing difference. Secure your spot today and be part of the impact—we can't wait to see you!



A golfer swings during Golf Fore Alzheimer's 2024, Alzheimer's Orange County

### Golf Fore Alzheimer's Golf Tournament

**MAY 16**

**Organization:** Alzheimer's Orange County

**Website:** [www.alzoc.org/golf](http://www.alzoc.org/golf)

Join us for Alzheimer's Orange County's annual Golf Fore Alzheimer's tournament! Participate as an individual or in a foursome, and enjoy a day of golfing, contests, and camaraderie. The event features an evening dinner, plus silent and live auctions during the evening program. Golfers and nongolfers are welcome. Come drive change and hope with us!



Friday, May 10, 2024 | 2024 Inspirational Catholic Women Nominees, Christ Cathedral, Garden Grove

### Inspirational Catholic Women

**MAY 16**

**Organization:** Catholic Charities of Orange County

**Website:** [www.ccoc.org/auxiliary](http://www.ccoc.org/auxiliary)

The Inspirational Catholic Women Benefit Dinner is an opportunity to celebrate women volunteers and philanthropists from across Orange County whose leadership and commitment help advance the Catholic Church's mission to serve people in need. To request nomination information, please email [auxiliary@ccoc.org](mailto:auxiliary@ccoc.org). Catholic Charities Auxiliary's mission is to assist Catholic Charities of Orange County by fundraising, volunteer work, and public awareness. The Auxiliary is proud to have supported Catholic Charities in its many endeavors for over 40 years.