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## **More Than 2,500 Participate in Alzheimer's Orange County's Walk4ALZ and Run4ALZ Fundraiser at Angel Stadium, March 19**

IRVINE, California, March 29, 2022 – More than 2,500 people were inspired to walk or run in nonprofit Alzheimer's Orange County's (AlzOC) annual Walk4ALZ & Run4ALZ on Saturday, March 19 at Angel Stadium of Anaheim. Their support of family and friends touched by Alzheimer's disease or a related form of dementia was expressed on the signs with moving messages they carried and the t-shirts they wore with photos of loved ones.

The event has earned over \$300,000 as fundraising continues until June for critical support and services for those battling Alzheimer's and dementia.

To date, the top individual fundraiser is Alan Brutman, president and co-founder of JUDICATE WEST, who raised over \$16,000, and the top team is Team JUDICATE WEST, raising over \$32,000. Singer, songwriter, and actress Alisha Liston sang the National Anthem. Silver Lining, Jonny Roundhouse, Audio Avenues, and other local music groups entertained participants.

“We were delighted that so many women, men and children, many accompanied by their four-legged friends, joined us to walk or run to fight Alzheimer's,” said AlzOC CEO and President Jim McAleer. “As always, one hundred percent of the funds raised from Walk4ALZ and Run4ALZ stay right here in Orange County to help the thousands of local residents who are currently affected by Alzheimer's disease and dementia.”

McAleer said the need for support is vital as today there are more than 84,000 Orange County residents living with Alzheimer's disease or another form of dementia, and that number is projected to more than triple by 2025. In Orange County alone, Alzheimer's disease is the third leading cause of death. Alzheimer's Orange County's life-changing programs, support services, and advocacy benefit those living with memory loss, as well as the people who love and care for them.

Leading sponsors for this year's event included Healthpeak Properties, Avaniir, Discount Tire & Service Centers, Irvine Clinical Research and Park View Estates.

To donate, visit [www.alzoc.org/walkrun](http://www.alzoc.org/walkrun). AlzOC is located at 2515 McCabe, Suite 200, Irvine, 92614. More information can be found at [www.alzoc.org](http://www.alzoc.org).

## **About Alzheimer's Orange County**

Commemorating its 40<sup>th</sup> year of service in Orange County in 2022, Alzheimer's Orange County provides programs and services that span the continuum of care of Alzheimer's and related forms of dementia to Orange County, California residents living with Alzheimer's or dementia, including older adults and frail seniors, along with their families, caregivers, and the community. Alzheimer's Orange County began as an independent 501c3 nonprofit in 1982 with a primary mission of providing care and support for those impacted with dementia and their caregivers in Orange County. Alzheimer's is a devastating neurodegenerative illness that weakens the memory and other cognitive and emotional functions. For more information, call the Helpline at 844-373-4400, or visit <https://www.alzoc.org>. Find Alzheimer's Orange County on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), and [LinkedIn](#).