

Community News

Alzheimer's Orange County Partners with Orange County Community Foundation for "Preserving Dignity" Giving Day - Nov. 2

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IRVINE...Alzheimer's Orange County (AlzOC) and four aligned nonprofits will partner with the Orange County Community Foundation (OCCF) on Wednesday, November 2 for Preserving Dignity, a collaborative online Giving Day to support Orange County's older adults in need.

AlzOC invites those interested in showing their support to either donate directly or start a peer-to-peer fundraiser.

The organization has set a goal of \$50,000 and has a \$25,000 matching grant to incentivize donors. For more information, visit:

 $\frac{https://preserving-dignity-giving-day.ocnonprofitcentral.org/organizations/alzheimers-orange-county$

To give online during the 24-hour Giving Day to any of the nonprofits, please visit https://preserving-dignity-giving-day.ocnonprofitcentral.org/. For more information about Orange County Community Foundation Collaborative Giving Days, please visit oc-cf.org/givingdays.

A demographic shift is accelerating in Southern California that will lead to the need for additional resources for one of the most vulnerable populations: older adults. According to population projections by the U.S. Census Bureau, the number of Americans aged 65 or older will outnumber adolescents under 18 by 2034. By 2060, it is expected that roughly 1 in 4 Americans will be what is currently considered

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retirement age, and the 65+ population in Orange County will nearly double from 17% to 29%. In fact, the Report on Aging in Orange County 2022 shows that based on the county's demographics, the population is aging far more rapidly than the rest of California.

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