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**Alzheimer's Orange County Partnered with Orange County Community Foundation to Raise \$142,226 During "Preserving Dignity" Collaborative Giving Day**

**24-Hour online fundraiser helps AlzOC deliver much-needed services to support Orange County's growing elderly population**

Irvine, Calif., Nov. 11, 2022 – Alzheimer's Orange County (AlzOC) and four aligned nonprofits partnered with the Orange County Community Foundation (OCCF) on November 2 for Preserving Dignity, a collaborative online Giving Day to support Orange County's older adults in need.

In total, OCCF's Preserving Dignity Giving Day raised \$142,226. AlzOC raised \$44,140. Funds raised by AlzOC will specifically support the nonprofit's mission to serve Orange County individuals with memory loss, frail seniors, and those that support them.

In addition to AlzOC, other participating organizations include the Council on Aging – Southern California, SoulRapha, Southern California Hospice Foundation, and St. Francis Home of the Franciscan Missionary Sister of the I C Inc.

Today, 84,000 Orange County residents are currently affected by Alzheimer's disease, or at high risk of developing it. AlzOC provides support and resources for those affected by the disease and their caregivers. These include patient and family services to aid present and future individuals and caregivers of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders; advocacy for improved public policy and needed legislation; education and increasing public awareness of Alzheimer's disease: and caregiver support, education, and training.

“We applaud the generous individual donors and teams who stepped up to contribute much-needed funds in support of the services we provide,” said AlzOC CEO and President Jim McAleer. “Many did so in honor of family members and friends who were touched by Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia. To all of them, we say thank you.”

“We thank the Orange County community for their support of nonprofits who value one of our most vulnerable and rapidly growing populations,” said Shelley Hoss, president and CEO of the Orange County Community Foundation. “This impactful effort will prioritize the health and well-being of our older residents who have made significant contributions to our community throughout their lifetimes.”

AlzOC is located at 2515 McCabe, Suite 200, Irvine, 92614.

For more information about AlzOC visit [www.alzoc.org](http://www.alzoc.org). More information on Orange County Community Foundation Collaborative Giving Days can be found at [oc-cf.org/givingdays](http://oc-cf.org/givingdays).

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### **About Alzheimer’s Orange County**

Commemorating its 40th 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 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization 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 [www.alzoc.org](http://www.alzoc.org). Find Alzheimer’s Orange County on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), and [LinkedIn](#).

### **About Orange County Community Foundation**

Founded in 1989, the Orange County Community Foundation (OCCF) works with donors, strengthens the local nonprofit sector, and works to find solutions to community needs. Since its inception, OCCF has awarded \$900 million in grants and scholarships, ranking the organization as the 3rd most active grantmaker among all U.S. community foundations. For more information, visit [oc-cf.org](http://oc-cf.org) or call 949-553-4202. Be a part of our conversation on Facebook, Twitter , and Instagram. View OCCF's 2021 annual report here.