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ELAINE BATCHLOR
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Hospital

Elaine Batchlor, MD, MPH, is the Chief Executive Officer of Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Hospital. Dr. Batchlor has been the driving force behind the efforts to open a new, state-of-the-art, community oriented, safety net hospital that will provide compassionate, quality care and improve the health of the South Los Angeles community.

Throughout her distinguished career, Dr. Batchlor’s number one priority has been to improve access and quality of care for underserved communities utilizing innovative and collaborative approaches. Her work to increase access for underserved populations has been recognized as an example of leading best practices and adopted throughout California.

In addition, the mom of twin boys dedicates some of her free time to mentor minority youth. Dr. Batchlor is an active community volunteer, serving on multiple community and health care boards. She regularly meets with high school and college students who are interested in medicine to provide her insight and expertise. She further shares her experience with participants in the UCLA Robert Woods Johnson Clinical Scholars program where she is an advisory board member. While at the California HealthCare Foundation, Dr. Batchlor created a leadership development program for early to mid-career clinicians in administration, which is still in existence today.

Before assuming the helm of Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Hospital, Dr. Batchlor served on the executive leadership team of L.A. Care Health Plan, the nation’s largest public health plan that provided care to the County’s most vulnerable residents. As Chief Medical Officer, she was instrumental in developing a care delivery model that expanded access and resources to more than a million individuals throughout the County.

JUDY OLIAN
DEAN & JOHN E. ANDERSON CHAIR IN MANAGEMENT
UCLA Anderson School of Management

Judy Olian, dean of UCLA Anderson School of Management and John E. Anderson Chair in Management, is the consummate CEO. While it may surprise some to think of the dean of a business school as a CEO, she is in fact, the chief executive of a complex institution with a $125 million annual budget and a $200 million endowment. Under her stewardship, UCLA Anderson is currently ranked #1 in Los Angeles and among the top 15 management schools in the nation and the world.

Since her appointment in 2006 as UCLA Anderson’s first female dean and one of the first in the country, Olian has acted boldly with an entrepreneurial mindset to advance Anderson’s core mission to educate leaders for the 21st century. In her role, she oversees a team of 240 staff and 167 world-class faculty dedicated to educating nearly 2,000 students annually in MBA, Masters and doctoral programs and another 2,000 professionals annually through executive education. She also travels tirelessly to keep Anderson’s 36,000 alumni around the world connected to each other and to the school.

Under her leadership, UCLA Anderson has launched new global degree and certificate programs, established new centers of study for global management, technology and marketing & data analytics and launched a 10,000 square-foot venture accelerator. Among current efforts, she is championing the formation of a new social impact initiative and planning the addition of a new, state-of-the-art student-centric building.

In addition, she has expanded and strengthened the school’s Board of Visitors to include leaders from the worlds of finance, technology, entertainment, consulting, packaged goods, retail and philanthropy.
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JESSICA ALBA
FOUNDER
The Honest Company

Jessica Alba is a Golden Globe-nominated actress whose career includes roles in films such as “Fantastic Four” and “Little Fockers,” as well as television series like “Duck Angel,” “The Office” and “Entourage.”

The California native comes from modest beginnings, and never lost her zeal to share her good fortune with others. She is actively involved with charities such as Safe Chemicals Healthy Families, ONE, Habitat for Humanity, Project HOME and more.

But, there is one role she enjoys above all others: Mom. As a mother of two young daughters, Alba admits she feels an intense responsibility to give her children the best possible start. She co-created The Honest Company to help moms and to give all children a “better, safer start.”

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ANTONIA HERNANDEZ
PRESIDENT & CEO
California Community Foundation

Nationally recognized for her commitment toward the betterment of underserved communities in Los Angeles and beyond, Antonia Hernandez joined the California Community Foundation as president and chief executive officer in 2004. The California Community Foundation is one of the largest and most active philanthropic organizations in Southern California, with assets of more than $1.4 billion. In partnership with its nearly 1,600 individual, family and corporate donors, the foundation, under Hernandez’ stewardship, supports nonprofit organizations and public institutions with funds for health and human services, affordable housing, early childhood education, community arts and culture and other areas of need.

Previously, Hernandez was president and general counsel of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF). An expert in philanthropy, civil rights and immigration issues, Hernandez began her legal career as a staff attorney with the Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice and worked as counsel to the United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary before joining MALDEF in 1981 as regional counsel in Washington, D.C.

MICHÈLLE KERRICK
MANAGING PARTNER
Deloitte

As Deloitte’s Los Angeles Managing Partner, Michelle Kerrick leads Deloitte’s Los Angeles practice, one of the largest professional services firms in the area, with more than 1,600 audit, tax, and consulting and financial advisory service professionals.

She has more than 30 years of professional experience and has served a diverse group of publicly and privately held clients, ranging from middle-market companies to large multi-nationals, in several industries. She has assisted clients with acquisitions, divestitures, and equity and debt offerings.

Kerrick has served a variety of distinctive clients in the southwest region and serves as the lead client service partner for CBRE, Mattel and Forever 21 and is the Advisory Partner for several clients including Dole Food Company, Inc., UTI Worldwide, Canyon Partners LLC, Coles Properties, Inc., Birt Games, Inc., Salvation Army, Payden & Rygel and Viad.

She also leads Deloitte’s National CFO Leadership Program for the West region, which focuses on supporting CFOs in their complex roles.

DR. MAUREEN KINDEL
FOUNDER
Kindel Gagan

Maureen Kindel, Ed.D, is a founder of Kindel Gagan, a public affairs consulting firm. Dr. Kindel brings to the practice more than 30 years of government, business, and civic experience. She is a passionate advocate of public/private partnerships aligned with the public interest.

Throughout her career, Dr. Kindel has navigated various constituencies and distinguished herself in prominent public and private sector leadership positions, most notably, her appointment by Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley as President of the Los Angeles City Board of Public Works. Dr. Kindel was the first woman in the history of the city to preside over this half-billion dollar agency, where she set the tone for the involvement of minority and women-owned businesses in public contracting.

She currently serves on the Executive Committee of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce and the Executive Committee of the International Foundation for Election Systems (IFES), which is a worldwide elections assistance and democracy building organization working in 28 countries, including Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Sudan.

SHONDA RHIMES
PRODUCER/ SCREENWRITER
Shondaland

A television producer and writer, Rhimes is the creator, head writer, executive producer, and showrunner of the medical drama television series Grey’s Anatomy, its spin-off Private Practice and the political thriller series Scandal. Rhimes is also executive producer of ABC’s legal series How to Get Away with Murder, which debuted in 2014 and The Catch, which debuted in March of this year.

After graduation, Rhimes found herself an unemployed scriptwriter in Hollywood. To make ends meet, Rhimes worked as a counselor at a job center that taught mentally ill and homeless people job skills. In 1998 Rhimes made a short film, Blossoms and Veils, starring Jada Pinkett-Smith and Jeffrey Wright. This was soon followed by an assignment to co-write the acclaimed and award-winning 1999 HBO movie Introducing Dorothy Dandridge starring Halle Berry.

Shonda Rhimes has won a Golden Globe award and was nominated for three Emmy Awards. She has also won awards from the Writer’s Guild of America, Producer’s Guild of America, and Director’s Guild of America.
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CHRISTINE MCCARTHY
SENIOR EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT & CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
Disney

Almost a year ago, Walt Disney Co. promoted Christine McCarthy to be its first female chief financial officer as well as senior executive vice president, making her the company’s highest-ranking woman ever. She oversees Disney’s worldwide finance organization, investor relations, corporate planning and control, tax, corporate treasury, corporate real estate, facilities, integrated supply chain management, and corporate citizenship.

McCarthy had done “a remarkable job as Disney’s treasurer for 15 years, and her strong leadership and keen financial acumen made her an ideal chief financial officer,” Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Robert Iger said at the time.

McCarthy has served as Disney’s representative on the board of FM Global since 2010. She is also a Trustee of the Wooridle School for Girls in Pasadena, and a mentor for the National Math and Science Initiative’s STEM program. She is a former board member of the UCLA Foundation Board of Governors, the UCLA Foundation Investment Committee, the Board of the Phoenix House California and the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association, and served as both the Treasurer and a Director of the Alumnae Association of Smith College, as well as a member of the Smith College Investment Committee.

A graduate of Smith College, McCarthy completed her Bachelor’s Degree in Biological Sciences, where she received an award for excellence in botany, and later earned an MBA in Marketing and Finance from the Anderson School at UCLA.

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Kim Getty  
**Deutsch LA President**  

Since joining Deutsch’s Los Angeles office in 2003 as an Account Director, Kim Getty has moved up the ranks to Partner/CCO and, in 2015, to her current role in 2015 as President.

Throughout her 12 years at the agency, Getty has been instrumental in growing the highly sought after creative shop from 270 to nearly 600 employees, and during that time, agency revenue has grown every year except one. In the last 18 months, Deutsch added 12 new clients to its roster, including Sprint, Pizza Hut and Georgia Pacific -- making it the largest agency on the west coast. Getty has also recently led the development of new capabilities at the agency, including experiential marketing, Deutsch Music, Steelhead (in-house production), PR and the multicultural marketing division, DLAtino.

Getty believes that fostering innovation and creativity necessary for clients’ success, Deutsch LA must first focus on serving its employees. As such, she has pioneered progressive HR policies and employer benefits as a commitment to the organization.

Shay Hughes  
**Chief Operating Officer**  

Hughes Marino

As owner and chief operating officer of Hughes Marino, Shay Hughes manages the end-to-end operations of the firm and plays a key role in all aspects of business strategy, human resources, marketing, and client relations. She has been instrumental in shaping Hughes Marino’s culture, spearheading the development of the company’s core values, and investing great time and energy into building a world-class team of professionals who are not only at the top of their game in business, but also treat one another like family.

She built an operations team from the ground up, personally interviewing and selecting all of its members, who now outnumber the brokers in the company two to one. In addition to running the company, she personally designed all of Hughes Marino’s offices, executing her vision for cozy, inviting workplaces with all the comforts of home. It is just one more way that she has helped Hughes Marino to break the mold of what a commercial real estate firm can be.

Christine Simmons  
**President & COO**  

Los Angeles Sparks

Christine Simmons is president and chief operations officer of the Los Angeles Sparks. As one of the founding WNBA teams, this iconic franchise has two league titles as well as the most playoff appearances (14) in the WNBA’s 19-year history. As president and COO, Simmons directs and coordinates all aspects of the team’s business operations including ticket sales, sponsorship sales, marketing, game operations, public relations, community relations and finance.

Simmons brings more than a decade of leadership experience in creating strategic alliances, leading business development and driving corporate initiatives, previously serving as executive vice president of Magic Johnson Enterprises, where she led the day-to-day operations of the Sparks throughout the team’s first season.

Simmons also serves on the board of directors for the Jenesse Center, the LA Sports Council and the Positive Coaching Alliance. She is an active member of the advisory committee of Better Futures for Thomasuez (a non-profit organization that creates jobs and lends aid to Haiti) and sits on the advisory committee for Next Play Capital.

Brenda Zamzow  
**CFO & CAO**  

Girl Scouts of Los Angeles

Brenda Zamzow’s integrity in any effort she undertakes is recognized by her partners in business, which is essential as she heads up the finance and administration divisions of a non-profit in Los Angeles, the Girl Scouts where she serves as Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, as well as a role model to the female youth of Los Angeles.

Zamzow is deeply skilled in accounting, and used those skills to create her own firm in 2003, The Zamzow Group, Inc., which was named one of the Top 100 Women-Owned Businesses in Los Angeles. Her career experience also includes tenures at Sony Pictures, Internet Directories USA, Creative Intelligence, Inc., Fox Television, and Ernst & Young.

Zamzow also uses her business skills to give back. She chairs the EY Alumni Association, and serves on the Finance Committee of the Alzheimer’s Association. She’s a former Board Chair of the LA Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Angeles Girl Scout Council.

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NIKE IRVIN
VICE PRESIDENT OF PROGRAMS
California Community Foundation

In 1995 Nike Irvin left a corporate position with no other job to go to. She spent a year volunteering and reimagining her life's work. As she puts it, she exited the for-profit sector to enter the "for-purpose" sector, bringing with her the business savvy to manage organizations working to solve problems faced by the most disenfranchised members of the community.

As vice president of programs for the California Community Foundation, the Los Angeles native hasn't looked back. CCF drives change through charitable giving solutions that Irvin describes as investments in quality of life, especially for the most vulnerable Angelenos. Irvin provides strategic leadership for priority program areas such as arts, education, health care and human development.

In 2014 she became a donor to CCF, establishing a fund she uses to make her own grants to nonprofit. Part of her work, she says, is helping underrepresented people know how to thrive in their environments.

Yale educated, Irvin is a second-generation Bruin, having earned her MBA at UCLA Anderson School of Management in 1989. Irvin believes that solutions start with expectations — and she is intensely concerned about diversity. At the time she graduated from Anderson, she was one of only 18 African-American students in her class. Today, she is an active alumna volunteer that UCLA Anderson counts among its “Inspirational 100.” For seven years Irvin Anderson’s renowned Riordan Programs in service to first-generation high school and college students on a business school track.
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CLAUDE MANN
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF GIFTING AND DEVELOPMENT
Alfred Mann Foundation

Claude Mann was born in Berlin during World War II in a concentration camp. At the end of World War II, she and her parents escaped to France, where growing up, she studied the arts, philosophy and psychology at La Sorbonne and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree at age 21. In 1972, she moved to the US. In 1994, she sold the restaurant she had been running since the 70s and married her long-time friend Alfred Mann. Inspired by her husband’s philanthropic endeavors, in 2001, Claude created and has since led fundraising efforts for the Alfred Mann Foundation, including managing an annual gala, “An Evening of Innovation and Inspiration.” With her husband she also established AMIT, an Alfred Mann Institute, at the Technion in Haifa. She serves on the boards of numerous organizations including the Alfred Mann Institute for Biomedical Engineering, the Alfred Mann Institute at the Technion, the Los Angeles Opera, and the Walter W. Naumburg Foundation.

TAMI PARDEE
FOUNDER & CEO
Pardee Properties

One of the country’s foremost real estate brokers and experts, Tami Pardee, founder/principal broker of Pardee Properties, is a rare business leader with a unique approach to real estate, the community and life. She has a firm commitment to family and is dedicated to giving back to the local community – juggling it all with incredible energy and zeal, despite her ongoing battle with multiple sclerosis. As part of Pardee Properties, she also created the Life-Changer Program - through every home sale and purchase, Pardee Properties empowers the transformation of lives and communities by donating 10% net proceeds of each sale to a local charity. To date, they have donated over $770,000 to worthwhile community organizations through the program. In addition, Pardee Properties has helped 74 homeless men and women off the streets of Venice and into safe shelters through The Teen Project and LAPD Homeless Task Force. Her philanthropic efforts have also supported schools in Venice, Santa Monica, Mar Vista, Culver City and Marina del Rey.

JESSIE L. SHERROD, MD, MPH
FOUNDER
Association of Black Women Physicians

Dr. Jessie Sherrod, a renowned board certified Pediatrician, Infectious Diseases Specialist and Healthcare Epidemiologist, successfully climbed the ladder to become the first in many medical historical accomplishments. Her commendable advocacy for women’s health is manifested by her role in founding three medical organizations whose mission is to empower women to lead in promoting family health. Dr. Sherrod has impacted public health policies as a leader for a number of impactful health and advocacy organizations over the years, often providing critical data to government officials to initiate positive change. Now retired, Dr. Sherrod continues her work with the Association of Black Women Physicians, Harvard Alumni Club, National Council of Negro Women, and the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, passionately promoting health, welfare and education for women and children. As part of her legacy, Dr. Sherrod is working to share her personal health challenges by conveying how taking individual responsibility for your health with nutrition has helped her survive through pain-filled episodes of Fibromyalgia and maintain a quality of life.
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MICHELLE PATTERSON
FOUNDER & CEO
Women Network

Michelle Patterson’s name conjures up many credits – visionary, author, acceleration executive, founder, passionate talk show host and dynamic speaker. She is a woman of many talents and dimensions. She is also the founder of the Global Women Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit public charity created to bring women together to create global change by empowering them to transform their communities. Its mission supports women to effectuate this change through serving as a worldwide conduit for connecting community, mentoring, education, and financial support.

Patterson has long been recognized as a supporter of women’s rights and empowerment. She founded Women Network as an offshoot of the California Women’s Conference after taking over the reins of the preeminent conference for women from the State of California in 2011. When she heard the attendees proclaim, “we need this every day,” Women Network was born.

Women face a shocking underrepresentation in leadership roles in the U.S. and throughout the world. Women currently represent only 3% of Fortune 500 CEOs in America yet they represent more than 51% of the total population. Furthermore, women represent less than 17% of Congress.

Women underrepresentation in leadership positions is well known among most U.S. citizens, men and women alike. Nonetheless, women lack a central place to collaborate with one another, share resources, and empower each other to achieve their full potential. This is the underlying purpose for Women Network and Patterson’s tireless efforts.

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WENDY BARBAS
VICE PRESIDENT, CREDIT OFFICER
Boston Private

Wendy Barbas serves as Vice President, Credit Officer at Boston Private, a leading provider of fully integrated wealth management, trust and private banking services, overseeing the Bank’s analyst group in Southern California. She also has lending authority and other regional credit administrator responsibilities. Recognizing the need for support for women-based career initiatives, internal networking opportunities, and philanthropic programs established by and for women in the company’s West Coast offices, Barbas has continually participated in, initiated and made contributions to women’s initiatives in the commercial banking community of Southern California.

Always one to live out her personal mantra, “In order to make something happen you have to create the action,” Barbas seized the opportunity to initiate the Southern California Women’s Connection (So. Cal. WoCo) in July of 2013. The mission statement of the organization is “to connect, mentor and inspire women of all ages and backgrounds by providing a professional and unique experience that will fuel our minds and motivate us to be all we can be.”

CLOUD ETTINGER
PRESIDENT
Red Cloud LLC

Cloud Ettinger founded and serves as President of Red Cloud LLC, which has grown into one of the leading design and manufacturing retail lines for NHL, MLB, NBA, celebrities, local and international brands and Fortune 500 Companies. The company was founded in 2002, and has continued to grow. Her tenacity, persistence, and drive to make things happen have led to her incredible success not only in her business, but also in her personal life.

Ettinger has made significant local contributions to local organizations in Los Angeles. Every month her company picks two organizations to support. Her employees have the opportunities to support worthy causes they are passionate about and believe in. Ettinger’s company focuses on helping women, animals, and children in the community and on a global level. Over the past year, the company has centered around the Human Rights Movement, donating time and money on a monthly basis to women’s shelters, children’s hospitals and military veterans.

EVIE P. JEANG
FOUNDER & MANAGING PARTNER
Ideal Legal Group, Inc.

Since founding Ideal Legal Group, Inc. in 2006, attorney Evie Jeang has carved a niche in the field of laws governing international surrogacy, in vitro fertilization, and the freezing of eggs and embryos. Having undergone surrogacy herself in 2014, Jeang serves as a professional and empathetic advisor to women who wish to further their careers before having children, as well as women who cannot conceive naturally. She regularly provides women free personal and legal insight into the intricacies of surrogacy through her Law Day seminars, easing the concerns of businesswomen who feel they must choose their job or family.

Jeang holds further expertise on the unknown surrogacy complexities facing Chinese women, who may not legally freeze their eggs before marriage. She assists Chinese women in finding surrogates in America, and ensures that they follow all necessary guidelines and rules. Jeang also puts her knowledge of international family law to use by acting as a trusted advisor for women entangled in complex cases involving laws of more than one country.
HONORING WOMEN’S OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS IN BUSINESS.

Congratulations to all 2016 nominees and honorees including one of our very own – Kathleen Chapman, “Executive of the Year” nominee.

Kathleen Chapman is a seasoned banker, businessperson and trusted advisor with a 28 year career in finance and management, helping companies in the greater Los Angeles area grow and thrive. As Senior Vice President and West Los Angeles Regional Manager at Torrey Pines Bank, Ms. Chapman provides customers with customized solutions to help them reach their financial and investment goals and advises clients on special lending, depository needs and treasury management. Ms. Chapman is a role model and has been dedicated to mentoring women navigate their way to success.

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Cristina Cimellaro

As a professional tutor for over a decade, Cristina has learned first-hand the impact education can have on children's future and understands the need for tutoring services to be available for all children, no matter their economic background. Over the years, she has guided and taught students privately and in classroom settings as a volunteer, maintaining pro-bono students throughout Los Angeles each semester in addition to her full schedule of clients. She does this through the recommendation of teachers, parents, friends and organizations.

In addition, for the last three years, Cristina has been a member, and current Board member, of The New Hollywood, 501c3 nonprofit philanthropic goal group that supports socially conscious storytellers and intends to inspire everyone to Rise Higher, Shine Brighter and Give Back. Through The New Hollywood, Cristina is able to support her fellow members in their charitable passions and has focused her own passions on education and teaching. Encouraged by the group, she is currently developing a program focused on bringing talented tutors to help students in need through the daunting process of taking standardized tests and applying to college. She is also a member of MENS. www.thenewhollywood.org
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Mitula Patel arrived from Kenya on the shores of the United States in January of 1985, armed with an accounting degree and $4000. Hard work and perseverance paid off as she went from searching for entry-level jobs to a successful career as a high-level insurance executive. In 2010, she joined Momentum Insurance Agency as their VP of Finance, a year later she was promoted to SVP and a year later to CFO, a role she continues to hold.

Patel separated herself not only as a driven, successful businesswoman, but also someone who put a priority on giving back to the industry and community. She was actively involved in her companies’ initiatives for giving back to the community. She became actively involved in the International Association of Insurance Professionals and also embraced a leadership position with the Insurance Women of LA (IWLA), holding the title of President. She also started The Speaker’s Forum, a program to help people speak confidently in the boardroom, in meetings and to large crowds.

ERIN RANK
PRESIDENT & CEO
Habitat for Humanity of Greater Los Angeles

As a member of the Social Entrepreneurship and Exchange (SEC) Advisory Board, Erin Rank has helped provide strategic and programmatic input that informs the Dean from an external perspective; evaluates and makes recommendations regarding the utility of programs and research underway in the area of social entrepreneurship; and identifies social enterprises for student service projects and international leadership internships.

Beyond her service to SEC, Rank has displayed admirable service to both her local and global communities. She is the president and CEO of Habitat for Humanity of Greater Los Angeles. She began her service with Habitat as a volunteer in 1995 and later became its first and only staff member in 1998.

Driven by the heartbreaking reality of seeing so many families living in substandard housing, she set out to inspire others to join the cause, and with the help of a growing staff and more than ten thousand volunteers each year, Rank has built the organization into one of the top-producing Habitat affiliates in the nation.

LUCINDA STARRETT
PARTNER
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Cindy Starrett combines civic commitment with leadership on Los Angeles’ highest-profile projects, representing a combined investment of over $1 billion, at the forefront of real estate development and infrastructure projects in California.

Starrett believes in giving back to the community and has a special love for helping children enjoy sports and the outdoors. She chairs the Los Angeles Parks Foundation, which has raised over $8 million in recent years to support parks and underserved communities. She also serves on the boards of the Los Angeles Dodgers Foundation, which has raised over $8 million in recent years to support parks and underserved communities. She also serves on the boards of the Los Angeles Dodgers Foundation and Orthopaedic Children’s Housing, affordable housing projects.

Her professional activities have included serving as former chair of the Central City Association in Los Angeles and now member of the Board of the California Chamber of Commerce, where Starrett co-chairs the Environmental Regulatory Committee. Starrett’s activities in support of women professionals have included leadership roles in Latham’s Women Enriching Business program and the National Women’s Political Caucus, among others.

DR. BETTY URIBE
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT
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As a Board of Visitors member at Pepperdine’s Graduate School of Education and Psychology, Dr. Betty Uribe has helped support and advance the institution’s mission by serving as an ambassador, advisor to the dean and faculty, introducing leaders in the education and business communities to Pepperdine, and assisting with public relations on national and global levels.

In addition, Dr. Uribe has demonstrated exemplary service to her community. While working within the banking industry, Dr. Uribe received an MBA and a Doctorate of Education in Organizational Leadership. Dr. Uribe’s education and experience helped inform her work as the Executive Vice President at California Bank & Trust and her role as a teacher for a leadership program for Latino youth at USC. Despite having to focus on a busy career and her family, Dr. Uribe has made fostering the educational and leadership goals of young people one of her most important missions and has done so with poise and distinction.
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GAIL LARA
SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR
Operation HOPE

Gail Lara is the Small Business Program Coordinator for Operation HOPE in Northridge. Lara owned her own business for over ten years before coming to Operation HOPE and has over twenty-five years of retail experience as a buyer and procurement manager. Now focused on Operation HOPE, a non-profit organization with the central mission to support entrepreneurs with financial dignity, Lara is tirelessly working to help small businesses and entrepreneurs be successful in the market.

As the programs coordinator for HOPE, she strives to connect businesses with the much-needed technical assistance programs available for ongoing support.

For five years, Lara successfully implemented monthly mentoring meetings for women in business where she hosted over 150 panel speakers and over 2,500 businesswomen as guests at her workshops. She regularly takes surveys to learn what kinds of programs are needed to move businesses to the next level.

Lara has consistently been a fearless leader in the area of women’s entrepreneurship for the last decade.

Lara has always been passionate about supporting women entrepreneurs and helping them to make their mark in the marketplace. With her program, “Made in the Valley,” she highlights women business owners and opens them up to exposure in the local market.
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ACADEMIC Achievers was founded in 2010 by Janis Adams, a former classroom teacher. With no previous background in business, Adams propelled her small tutoring agency from a cold start to an almost million dollar business in less than five years.

While the tutoring industry increased at the rate of 3% annually, Academic Achievers increased revenue at the rate of 30% annually. Since its inception as an agency for high school remediation, Academic Achievers expanded to SAT, ACT and ISEE test prep, elementary teachers, kindergarten preparation, and career counseling.

Since July 2014, Academic Achievers became a verified homeschool by the State of California and completed its first year of working with homeschool students in their new expanded facility. They now have a gifted enrichment program for students who test in the highly to profoundly gifted range and need special accelerated schooling.

BAILEY FAUST
CO-FOUNDER AND PARTNER
Rocklin|Faust

Blye Faust is an American film producer for the production company Rocklin|Faust. Faust was raised in Monroe, Washington and attended college at Santa Clara University in Santa Clara, California before moving to Los Angeles to study law at the UCLA School of Law. After getting her law degree, she worked for two law firms in Los Angeles before deciding to leave that field to work as a producer.

She began working on the film Spotlight with partner Nicole Rocklin in 2008, and in the fall of 2009, she joined with Rocklin to form Rocklin|Faust.

She won an Academy Award for Best Picture in the 88th Academy Awards for her work on Spotlight. As if that wasn’t enough, her interior design firm, byblye has taken off as well.

LEURA FINE
FOUNDER & CEO
Laurel & Wolf

Leura Fine is the founder and CEO of leading online interior design service Laurel & Wolf. Driven by the desire to connect clients and designers through a digital platform, Fine launched Laurel & Wolf from her home dining room in 2014. Less than two years later, she has a rapidly growing team of more than 66 employees and a marketplace of more than 800 interior designers.

Born and raised in Alabama, Fine grew up with a passion for design. She began her career at a top design firm and then started her own company, Leura Fine Interiors, before ultimately launching Laurel & Wolf. The company has disrupted the traditional model of the interior design industry. As the company’s hands-on leader at its striking 13,000 square foot office space in West Hollywood, Fine transforms the way thousands of people live, work, and love through the power of great design.

LIZ JAEGER
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, PUBLIC RELATIONS AND CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS
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During her time at Caruso Affiliated since 2012, she has worked on major campaigns and initiatives, most recently including the development of The Masonic Temple in Glendale - a reuse of a 1929 landmark Art-Deco building that had been meticulously revitalized to become a Class-A innovative office and retail space, gaining top-tier national and local media exposure.

Jaeger has also spearheaded the philanthropy leg of her department as well, developing partnerships with friends and local partners that support the good of the communities Caruso Affiliated serves.

JANIS WARD ADAMS
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Academic Achievers

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Nicole Rocklin, Partner and Co-Founder of Rocklin|Faust, is an award-winning producer of Spotlight - the Tom McCarthy-directed film that tells the true story of how the Boston Globe uncovered the massive scandal of child molestation and cover-up within the local Catholic Archdiocese, shaking the entire Catholic Church to its core. The film was a financial and critical success and earned Rocklin an Oscar for best picture.

Rocklin’s other producing credits include The Perfect Guy and Middle of Nowhere. Prior to forming Rocklin|Faust with her partner and co-founder Blye Faust, Rocklin had an overall deal at Alcon Entertainment with her company, Rocklin Entertainment.

Rocklin started her entertainment career as an assistant at Jerry Bruckheimer Films and at an entertainment law firm and graduated with honors with a B.A. in History and African American Studies and a minor in Women Studies from the University of Wisconsin, Madison.
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