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## Alzheimer's Los Angeles receives \$3 million grant from the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation

LOS ANGELES, CA (July 27, 2021) – Alzheimer's Los Angeles is pleased to announce it is the recipient of a \$3 million grant from the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation to support the organization's mission to improve the lives of local families affected by Alzheimer's and other dementias. This was part of a recent one-time investment by the Hilton Foundation in organizations doing excellent work in the area of Alzheimer's.

Created by concerned community members and incorporated in 1981, Alzheimer's Los Angeles is recognized as a leader in innovative programming for people living with Alzheimer's or another dementia. They have earned the trust of families, of diverse communities, and of the professionals who serve them through steadfast dedication to providing free services and programs that truly improve peoples' quality of life.

"We are proud of our history of service to the aging community of greater Los Angeles and are grateful for the continued support and partnership of so many," says Heather Cooper Ortner, president and CEO of Alzheimer's Los Angeles. "This grant will enable us to build on our history of providing the critically needed education, support, and advocacy for which families facing Alzheimer's have come to rely on us. In this difficult time of COVID-19, we have redoubled our commitment to providing the care families so desperately need."

With 40 years of serving the community, Alzheimer's Los Angeles is locally focused and nationally and internationally recognized for providing high-impact support, resources, and education to people and families facing the disease.

"Alzheimer's Los Angeles has a deep history of dedication to serving diverse and traditionally underserved populations, and our leadership remains committed to growing the organization to meet the needs of the richly diverse communities of Los Angeles," says Susan Disney Lord, Board Co-Chair.

In California, more than half a million people have Alzheimer's disease, with over 166,000 living in Los Angeles County. Experts estimate that someone in the US develops Alzheimer's disease every 65 seconds. By mid-century someone will develop Alzheimer's disease every 33 seconds.

Until there is a cure, Alzheimer's Los Angeles will provide the care.



## About Alzheimer's Los Angeles

For 40 years Alzheimer's Los Angeles has served people throughout Los Angeles County and the Inland Empire. 100% of funds raised stay local, providing free care and support for individuals and families. Low-cost training and education are also offered for professionals. Alzheimer's Los Angeles focuses on care, support, advocacy, and local research. Alzheimer's is a devastating neurodegenerative disease that weakens the memory and other cognitive and emotional functions. For more information, call the Helpline at 844.HELP.ALZ or visit www.alzheimersLA.org

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## About the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation

International hotelier Conrad N. Hilton established the grantmaking foundation that bears his name in 1944 to help people living in poverty and experiencing disadvantage worldwide. Today, the work continues, concentrating on efforts to improve early childhood development outcomes, support older youth as they transition from foster care, ensure opportunity youth can access career pathways, prevent homelessness, identify solutions to safe water access, help integrate refugees into society and lift the work of Catholic sisters. Additionally, following selection by an independent, international jury, the Foundation annually awards the \$2.5 million Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize to an organization doing extraordinary work to reduce human suffering. The Foundation is one of the world's largest, with \$7.5 billion in assets. It has awarded grants to date totaling more than \$2 billion, \$207 million worldwide in 2020. Please visit www.hiltonfoundation.org for more information.

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