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Special Daniel's Place Edition



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Daniel's Place 20 Year Anniversary Celebration at the Skirball



Arthur Greenberg



Susan Dempsay



Zev Yaroslavsky

On September 25, 2019, join Step Up in celebrating Daniel's Place 20 year anniversary at the Skirball Cultural Center from 6 pm to 8:30 pm. Step Up will honor Arthur Greenberg and Step Up founder Susan Dempsay. Zev Yaroslavsky will be Master of Ceremonies. The evening will begin with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres and culminate with exciting entertainment from the youth at Daniel's Place. Thanks to our current sponsors: Aligne Wealth Preservation LLP, Attias Family Foundation, Greenberg Glusker, David Geffen Foundation, Harding Lamore Kutcher & Kozal LLP, Anant Patel & Family, and Union Bank.

Daniel's Place is named in honor of Daniel Greenberg who was a scholar, athlete and former Step Up employee. Daniel's Place provides a drop-in location for young adults between the ages of 16-28 with serious mental health conditions, some of whom are experiencing homelessness. For over 20 years, Daniel's Place has saved thousands of lives.

To purchase tickets, sponsor, donate or buy a tribute ad please contact, Julia Salazar, Director of Development at jsalazar@stepuponsecond.org or (310) 696-4510 ext 2210. Purchase online at www.stepuponsecond.org.

PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING



Daniel's Place member Lexus (pictured) lives with anxiety and depression triggered by a personal loss at the age of 13. As a young adult, Lexus became addicted to crystal meth and ended up homeless. One day, she boarded the bus to LAX and got off at Terminal 1. Lexus says, "I felt safe at Terminal

1. I'd wake up to find unopened food items next to me, left by people who could not board with it. Sometimes I'd find cash. The merchants and employees looked out for me. It's where I got sober." Lexus lived at LAX for three years.

Recently, Lexus completed the Daniel's Place 40-week Computer Coding class. She received her certificate and earned a laptop. With the help of Daniel's Place, Lexus received a voucher and is looking for her own apartment.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



Diamond T. (pictured with Tod Lipka) never had a birth record. She was sleeping in various parks in Inglewood when she came to Daniel's Place in 2016. "It took over two years,

but Daniel's Place helped me get my birth certificate. They gave me a new start," says Diamond. Enrolled in Step Up's Vocational Peer Training Program, Diamond worked the Donor Soiree event with Nathaniel Neubauer, owner of Contemporary Catering. "It was fun to work with Nate. I liked how calm he was working beside us."

Recently issued a housing voucher, she now has her own apartment. Diamond says, "I'm focused on working hard and going back to school for programming as my career."

A SENSE OF BELONGING



To build community and a sense of belonging, Daniel's Place Program Manager Maria Jeffery (pictured with members of Daniel's Place) works with the DP Advisory Committee to provide field trips and fun activities for youth every summer. The youth take free trips to the Broad Museum, LACMA, the California Science Center and the Botanical Gardens. They also go hiking and take a yearly trip to Magic Mountain in September. This month, Daniel Place staff and members will celebrate the newly elected DP Advisory Committee with a BBQ.

Daily activities at Daniel's Place include serving meals, doing laundry and attending groups for emotional support and safety. In addition to these regular activities, DP encourages members to participate in fun workshops using movies,

karaoke, art, dance, video games, music, and mindfulness. There is also an annual fun day where Daniel's Place staff and members come together to play games and have popsicles!

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