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The L.A. Trust Will Honor Barbara Ferrer and Jeanne Pritzker at Second Annual Salute to Student Health

Barbara Ferrer, Los Angeles County Public Health Director, and Jeanne Pritzker, founder and President of Foster Care Counts will be honored September 29 at Vibiana in Downtown Los Angeles.

[Los Angeles, CA] The L.A. Trust is proud to honor Los Angeles County Director of Public Health Barbara Ferrer with the Champion Award, and founder and President of Foster Care Counts Jeanne Pritzker with the Visionary Award at The L.A. Trust's second annual Salute to Student Health. The awards dinner is scheduled for September 29 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Vibiana located at 214 S. Main Street in Downtown Los Angeles.

“We are excited to recognize these two outstanding education and healthcare leaders for their unwavering commitment to the health and well-being of our youth throughout the pandemic,” said Maryjane Puffer, Executive Director of The L.A. Trust. “Their work inspires our mission to increase education and access to high-quality healthcare in underserved communities across Los Angeles.”

Barbara Ferrer has been an unwavering champion for youth. With a shared goal to increase student access to high-quality healthcare, Ferrer secured an investment to increase the number of student Wellbeing Centers throughout Los Angeles County. Her strength and conviction to ensure all Angelenos have the best access to care and information throughout the COVID 19 crisis serve as a model for true effective leadership.

Jeanne Pritzker is a staunch advocate and practical visionary dedicated to the equitable well-

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being of Los Angeles youth, particularly those who live in foster care and those who need access to mental health in schools. She not only invests in improvements but rolls up her sleeves to help address the disparities directly. Her vision and leadership in providing fair and equitable access to quality healthcare for all continue to inspire our work.

The awards dinner will feature entertainment, a hosted bar, a silent auction, and dinner from Micheline-recommended Redbird chef Neal Fraser. Silent auction items and tickets to the event are available [online now \(https://secure.qgiv.com/event/salute2022/\)](https://secure.qgiv.com/event/salute2022/).

The Salute to Student Health awards dinner raises funds for The L.A. Trust for Children’s Health and its student outreach programs. The evening sponsors are Kaiser Permanente, The Anthony and Jeanne Pritzker Family Foundation, California Credit Union, California Community Foundation, Holos Communities, LAUSD Board District 1/McKenna, Nicole J. Jones, Health Management Associates, St. Johns Well Child, Tangram Interiors, Blue Shield of CA Promise HP, Planned Parenthood, Orchard Financial Group, Big Smiles, Delta Dental, Health Net, The Broad Foundation, Liberty Dental, LA Care, Will Grice, Anton Consulting, Inc.

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The Los Angeles Trust for Children’s Health is an independent nonprofit agency bridging health and education to achieve student wellness. The L.A. Trust focuses on student health issues, including expanding healthcare access, mental health, substance use prevention, oral health, nutrition and healthy living, sexual and reproductive health, research, and student engagement.