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FOREVER Project Get Your Hoodie Today!



Join Selena Gomez in supporting the **FOREVER Project** to raise awareness for the 400,500 foster children across the country!

Save the Date!

15th Annual Tennis for Tots

Landmark Adoption for the Alliance and County!



On Tuesday, June 4, the Alliance completed a very special adoption for an at-risk youth just days before his 18th birthday! This was only the third time in L.A.'s history than an adoption took place for a youth in probation--and only the eighth throughout the U.S. The Alliance is part of a permanency collaboration with the delinquency courts, Los Angeles County Probation and the Department of Children and Family Services. The effort was launched in 2005 in order to give youth like Fred Jingles (pictured above) the opportunity to live in a safe, stable and loving home through adoption.

Fred entered foster care in 2009 because of his mother's substance abuse and his father's terminal illness. At 13, Fred struggled with these incredible life changes and began acting aggressively and was eventually arrested for assaulting a classmate. Fred spent eight months in juvenile hall and was released to the care of his aunt and uncle who expressed the desire to adopt him. Two persistent years later, Rondia and LaVetta adopted Fred.

It's amazing what can be accomplished when government agencies, the court and legal advocates come together for one unified goal: to give children a



Mark your calendars for Tennis for Tots on **Saturday, September 21** at the Los Angeles Tennis Club. The afternoon of tennis, barbeque and fun honors the memory of David and Lynn Angell and is generously hosted every year by Alliance Board Member Mitch Kaplan and his partner Elliot Stahler of the Kaplan Stahler Agency.

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Go "All-In" for Kids



Join us for Commerce Casino's 10th Annual "All-In" for Kids Celebrity Poker Tournament sponsored by **City National Bank** on **Sunday, October 27**.

Everyone's a winner on this fun-filled afternoon, which draws celebrity players, including Mimi

permanent home so they can thrive!

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Foster Care Awareness Month: Youth Step Toward the Future at Job Shadowing Day

The Alliance celebrated May's Foster Care Awareness month with several fun and youth-focused events. The month kicked off with Job Shadowing Day for transition-age youth on May 1. Nearly 30 youth learned more about their dream professions by shadowing some of Los Angeles' top employers. Participating companies included the set of Grey's Anatomy, LA Live, SpaceX, LAPD and many more!



The Alliance joined forces with Foster Care Counts on Sunday, May 12 for a Mother's Day extravaganza celebrating foster families and the many moms who give their homes and hearts to children. Families enjoyed endless activities, swag and a special appearance from Congresswoman Karen Bass and cast from **The Fosters**.



Oh What a Night!

4th Annual the RIGHT to LAUGH Raises Over \$260,000

Rogers, Jason Alexander, Brad Garrett, Willie Garson and Nicole Sullivan.

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Some of the entertainment industry's most hilarious talent came together to raise \$260,000 for Los Angeles' most vulnerable children at our **4th Annual the RIGHT to LAUGH** event on Thursday, May 30 at the Avalon Hollywood. Nick Kroll (above left), Wanda Sykes (above right), Bob Saget, George Lopez, Craig Ferguson, Billy Gardell, Bob Odenkirk and host Nicole Sullivan put on an amazing show in support of our work. Thank you to all of our sponsors, guests and donors who made the night a phenomenal success. A special thank you to everyone who contributed to our first-ever FOREVER Project auction, which raised \$60,000 for transition-age youth.

[--Event photos](#)

[--L.A. Confidential slideshow](#)

2nd Annual Playdate Raises Money During a Fun Filled Afternoon



On June 1, Alliance Board Member Yasmine Delwari-Johnson and a group of her close friends hosted the 2nd Annual Giant Playdate and Ice Cream Social to

her close friends hosted the 2nd Annual Giant Playdate and Ice Cream Social to raise money and awareness for pregnant and parenting foster teens. More than 50 moms and their little ones gathered to enjoy bubbles, sing-a-longs and an awesome raffle. Thank you to the hosts and everyone who attended! If you're interested in hosting a private event to benefit the Alliance, email [Marlene McGuirt](#).

--[L.A. Times op-ed on supporting pregnant and parenting foster teens](#)