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STATUS UPDATE



Samantha Gowen has the latest on movers and shakers in Orange County
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Miracles for Kids seeks backpack donations for critically ill children

Irvine-based Miracles for Kids is seeking wish-list items as it prepares for its annual Back-to-School Baskets of Miracles donation drive.

The nonprofit will be assembling some 300 backpacks for critically ill children and their families.

Items on the wish list include: pencil pouches/boxes, colored pencils, markers, Crayons, highlighters, index cards, rulers, pocket folders, spiral notebooks (wide and college ruled), dividers, 1-inch binders, calculators, graphic calculators (can be gently used), disinfecting/sanitizing wipes and hand sanitizer.

Donated items can be dropped at the Miracles for Kids offices at 17848 Sky Park Circle, Suite C in Irvine. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:30 a.m. — 1:30 p.m. on Fridays.

The deadline to drop off donation is July 19.

The organization is also seeking volunteers who can help assemble the 300-plus backpacks and deliver packages to families living in Orange County, Los Angeles County and the Inland Empire.

Hoag will come to you

Hoag Hospital in New-



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assortment of accessories such as hats, totes, shoes and scarves.

The brand is designed and produced in Los Angeles, created by Johnson, a Newport Beach resident, in 2015.

Foothill Ranch firm acquired for \$30M

Workforce Solutions Group in Foothill Ranch has been acquired by Florida-based Cross Country



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nior League member who sets an outstanding example for other volunteers. Rowe has been with Junior League for 24 years, rising to president and also serving on the organization's Senior State Public Affairs Committee.

Grants

The Kiwanis Club of Santa Ana's Scholarship Awards program awarded scholarships to the six university transfer students worth \$8,000. The recipients were Jocelin Mata, Diana Mayorquin, Tai Nguyen, Sareth Vargas, and Dafne Lopez and Neyda Macias.

Good works

The Orange County Community Foundation's Stand & Salute Collaborative Giving Day raised \$188,008 in 24 hours to support six nonprofits offering programs and services that help veterans and their families. The amount raised exceeds the original goal by \$63,008.

Laura's House, an Orange County nonprofit's sixth annual 'Brighter Futures' luncheon raised nearly \$100,000 to support its mission to inspire hope, empower change and help end domestic violence. Brighter Futures Awards were presented to Tana Amen, Saachi Pavani and Yvonne Polanco.