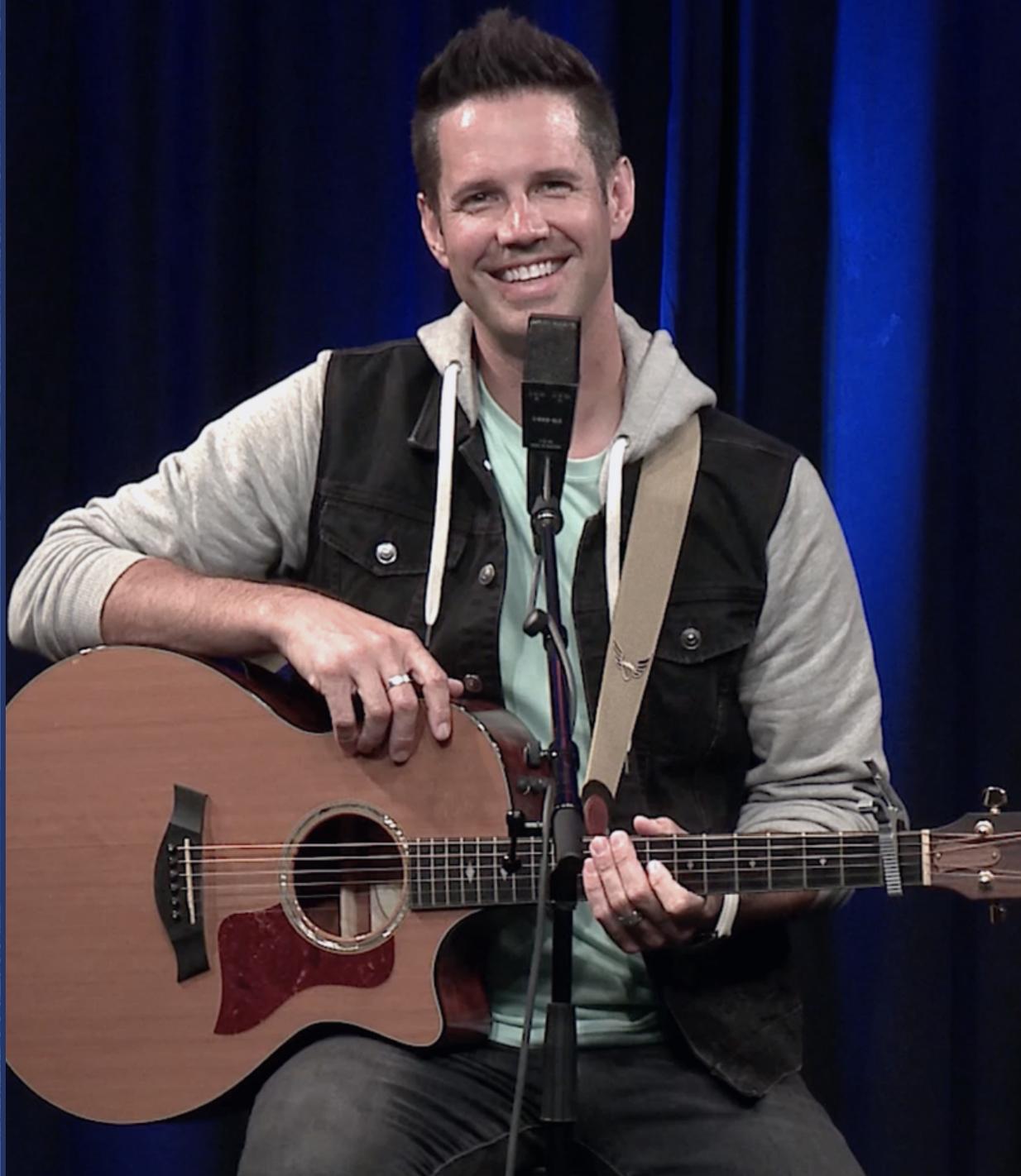


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# A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Rotarians,

It's been an emotional start to the new year for me, primarily because of how different "the view" is from the President's seat in Rotary. I am particularly reminded that this is a volunteer organization and something that requires a lot of hands to make the workload lighter. Truly, no one person, or small group of people, can accomplish all that is necessary and still maintain full-time jobs outside of the Club. Nevertheless, I feel a deep sense of responsibility to help us all "lift where we stand;" to call upon the individual talents of each member in order to support our Club and sustain its existence at the level we all hope for.

A perfect example of pooling our volunteer efforts could be seen in the many LA5 members who came together in our recent Face Shield project during this COVID crisis. What an awesome combination of resources, personalities and will power!

A special thanks to Jared Smith, who enlisted his manufacturing operations—at cost—in order for our Club to produce nearly 6,000 face shields and then distribute them to nursing homes, hospitals and other health care organizations throughout Los Angeles. Jared, along with Chrissy Moses, Ken Chong and the many Rotarians (as well as their friends and families) who volunteered their time to assemble and distribute the face masks are part of the "pool" of amazing people that make this Club a reality.

My vision is for LA5 to continue its focus on the humanitarian outreach that is possible right here, right now. Every one of you will eventually have service opportunities and humanitarian outreach possibilities that come across your desk. Please don't hesitate to offer up your vision on how we can do even more good in the world than we are already accomplishing.

I look forward to seeing you at our on-line virtual concert, July 24th . David Osmond and his song he already shared with us ("I Can Do This") was a wonderful preview of what is to come. Don't miss our first great fund-raiser.

See you this Friday at our next meeting. Please go to the website and [register here](#) if you haven't done so already.

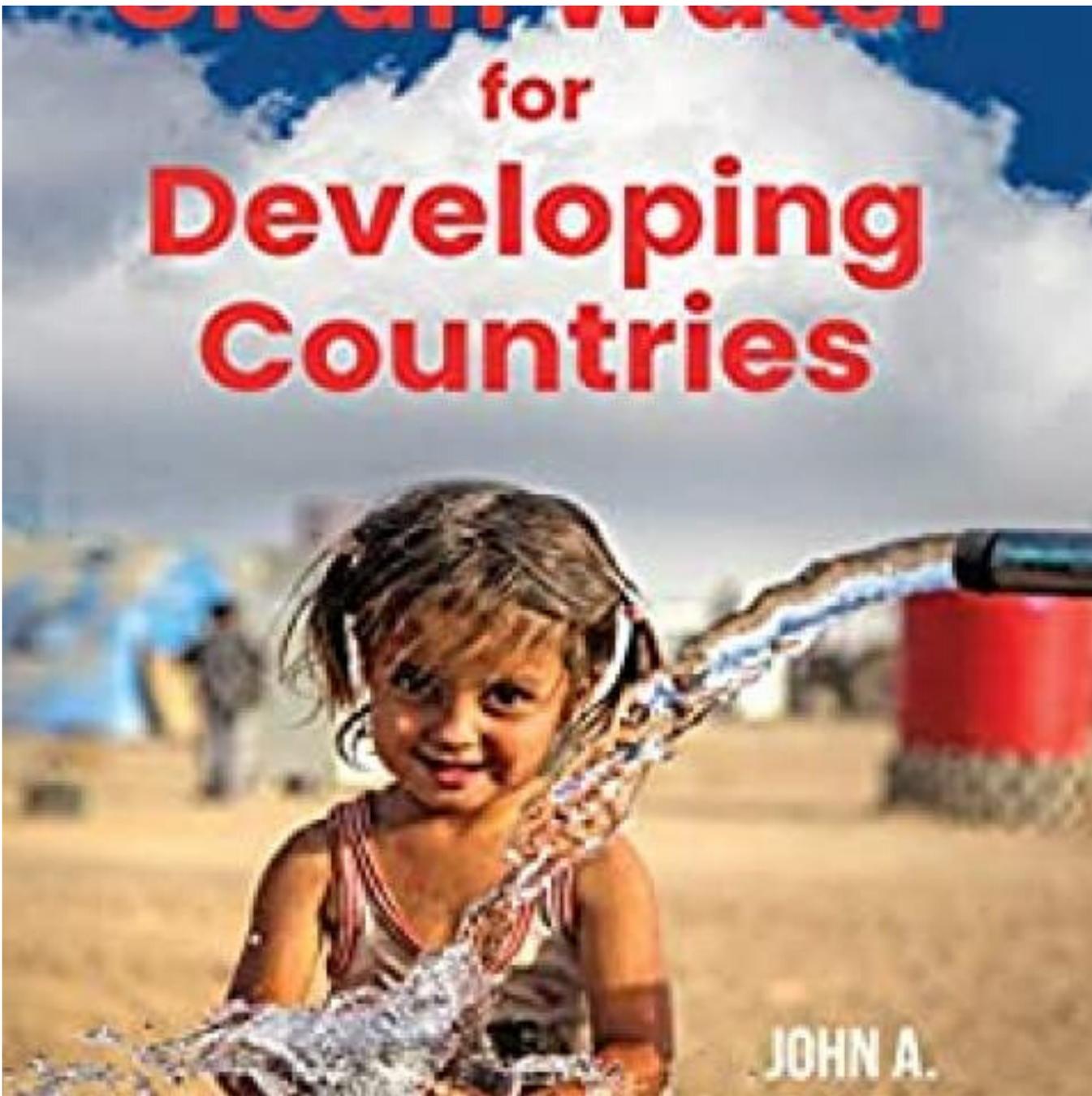
Matt Ball, President – LA5



*Matt Ball*

President,  
Rotary Club of Los Angeles  
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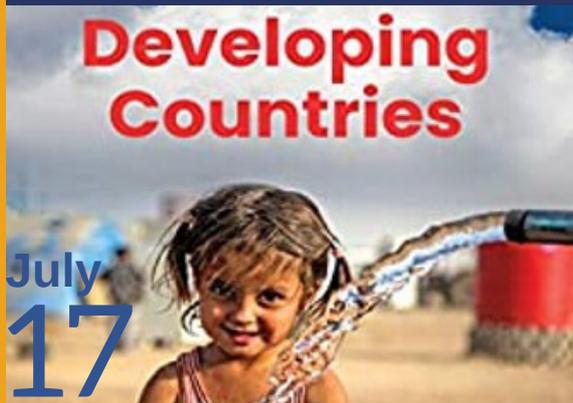
## **THIS WEEK**

**Clean Water for Developing Countries**

Speaker: Dr. John Dracup

[Click Here to Register](#)

# Mark the calendar



All Current Events are ZOOM Video Meetings Unless Otherwise Noted

- July 17** Clean Waters for Developing Countries with Dr. John Dracup
- July 21** LA5 Business Exchange Virtual Mixer
- July 24** LA5 Meeting & Virtual Benefit Concert
- July 31** Rotary Opens Opportunities with RI President Holger Knaack
- Aug 7** Service Above Self in the White House with Stewart McLaurin

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE CLUB CALENDAR](#)



# Happy Rotary Anniversary

Carol Medina, 3 years

Charlie Gallagher, 4 years

Michael Hart, 4 years

Bill Covino, 6 years

President Matt Ball, 10 years

Lance Miller, 12 years

Eddie Turner, 13 years

Spencer Walsh, 18 years

Don Knabe, 22 years

Annie Ruth, 24 years

David Bland, 24 years

Paul Netzel, 52 years

*Thank you for you years of service to  
LA5 & the Los Angeles community!*

# BUSINESS EXCHANGE

**TUESDAY, JULY 21  
8:30 AM**

**ZOOM MEETING  
REGISTRATION REQUIRED  
[CLICK HERE](#)**

These events are currently open to LA5 Rotarians only, so please do not forward this information outside of LA5.

Sign up to make a professional announcement in one of the following three categories:

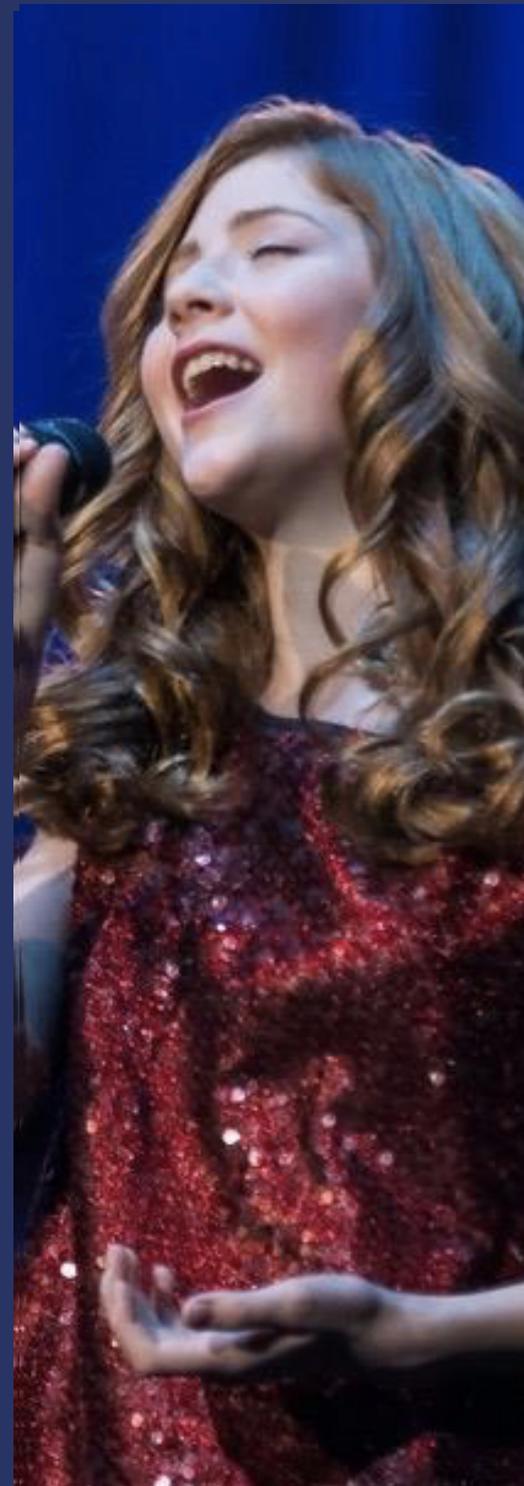
- (1) Highlighting and celebrating business you have done with other Rotarians
- (2) Exclusive offers and opportunities
- (3) Job needs or job opportunities

This meeting will be hosted by Ivan Lovegren, Joe Grant and PP Charisse - which means there will be a prompt start!

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**LA5**  
**Benefit**  
**Concert**

**ON ZOOM**  
REGISTRATION COMING  
SOON



**24**

JULY  
2020

ZOOM  
BENEFIT  
CONCERT



# Performers

- LOREN ALLRED - THE GREATEST SHOWMAN
- LAS VEGAS STAR - DANIEL EMMET
- DAVID OSMOND
- LEXI WALKER
- THE BONNER FAMILY
- & MORE

JULY 24, 2020 ▪ 11:30AM  
ZOOM VIRTUAL CONCERT  
MORE DETAILS SOON

# UPDATE FROM MYANMAR!



We are proud to report that earlier in June, we have completed construction on all of our seven Village Rotary Water Management System sites in the Myanmar Delta region. With this accomplishment, we have fulfilled LA 5's 2020 commitment!

Earlier in April, we also completed a "double-size" \$20,000 system to serve a three thousand resident Buddhist monastery and monastic

education center in the Yangon area thanks to the generous support from a donor in Hong Kong. Each of these serves a village population anywhere from 600 to 1500 persons including many children.

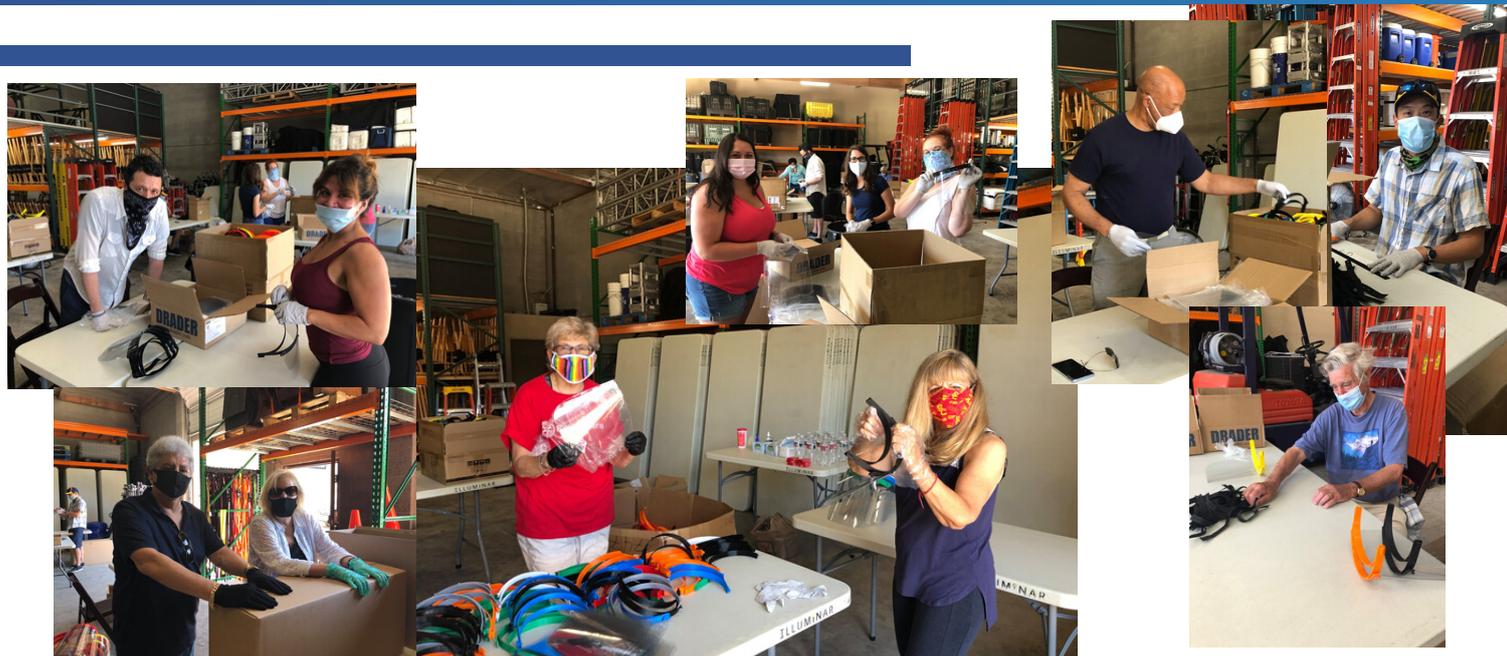
They now all have clean drinking water!

Although the inexorable march of Covid-19 throughout our world has forced my return from Myanmar two and a half months ahead of schedule, our awesome team here managed to finish all of our 2020 commitments on budget and well ahead of schedule!

**Myanmar Committee Chair Herbert and I**  
are already planning for our 17th  
project season for 2021. Stay tuned.



# SUPPORTING OUR ESSENTIAL WORKERS DURING A PANDEMIC



On a record-breaking temperature day (or at least what felt like one anyway), about 20 Rotarians and family gathered together at Illuminar in Glendale to complete the final round of face shield assembly. These face shields have been donated at no charge to frontline healthcare and essential workers around Los Angeles.

With gloves on, masks up, fans swirling, and Hawaiian music playing, our industrious volunteers powered through the hot day to assemble 1,700 masks on Saturday, July 11, 2020. In total, Rotary LA5 has raised over \$70,000 to produce, assemble and distribute nearly 6,000 masks to many organizations in need. None of this could have been possible without the vision and generosity of our very own Jared Smith, who converted his 3D printing business to produce components of PPE face shields urgently needed by healthcare professionals.

We'd like to thank all of our volunteers and donors that came together to support this wonderful project.

**Donors and Sponsors include:** The Rotary Club of Los Angeles Foundation, SheppardMullin, Illuminar, Shane & MJ Productions, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saint, Palos Verdes Chapter of The Links, Sunset Haven, and individual LA5 donors. (continued next page)

# SUPPORTING OUR ESSENTIAL WORKERS DURING A PANDEMIC (CONTINUED)

**Volunteers include:** Jared Smith, Russ Whittenburg, Nancy Howard, Tamar Rosenberg and a team of volunteer attorneys from SheppardMullin, VP Malinda Monterrosa, PP Rick Gibson, President Matt Ball, PP Ken Chong, PP Alan Bernstein, Vien Le, PP Jose Vera, PP Charisse Lara, Stayce Harris, PE Paul Ekstrand, Lindy Ekstrand, Shahla Reynolds, Brenda Wiewel, Anthony Calloway, Mandi Budd, PP David Meshulam, PP Don Crocker, Denise Anthony, Eddie de Ochoa, Steven Schultz, Tiffany Rollins, Sumi Kawaratani, Charles Hamilton, Christina Ward, Vic Marovish, Lauren Schlau, Paul and Melody St. John, Adam Weiss, PP Erick Weiss, Charlene Dimas-Peinado, Gary Jimenez, John Spokes, Elizabeth Vipond, Sally Gallagher, Adam Reusche, Michael Stevens, Josh Mandell, Christina Moses, the LA5 Cares Committee, and all our other volunteers that supported this project.

**Face Shield Recipients include:**

- Keck School of Medicine of USC, Street Medicine Program
- Filipino Workers Center of Southern California
- Union Rescue Mission of Los Angeles
- Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept.
- Los Angeles Mission
- Adventist Health White Memorial
- Union Station Homeless Services
- Five Acres, the Boys and Girls Aid Society of LA
- ESTAT Acute Dialysis
- Holistic Healing Heart Center
- The Might Mission
- Harbor Interfaith Services
- Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority
- UCLA School of Nursing
- Centinela Hospital
- Little Sisters of the Poor