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#### Chef Jason gives nutrition tips

## Chef Jason Talks Nutrition

The Jonathan Club's Chef, Jason McClain, stopped by Hope Street on September 19th to talk about the importance of nutrition and deliver after-school program students a gourmet snack bag filled with the favorites he makes for his daughters including key lime yogurt with berries and Kashi topping and hummus with blanched fresh vegetables. Students enjoyed the snacks so much that many asked for the recipes and saved some to take home to share with their families.



A dad reads to preschoolers on Be A Hero day

## **Be A Hero**

Mercy Early Childhood Education Center, one of three Hope Street child care centers in the community, celebrated Be a Hero: Take Your Child to Preschool Day on October 3rd. Fathers, stepfathers, grandfathers, uncles, big brothers, and godfathers were all invited to bring their child to school in the morning (mom was invited, too!) and stay to read a book or tell a story. "The fathers really enjoyed it," said Laura Loza, Mercy Early Care and Education Center Director. "It really brightens the moods of the little ones when they see their dads in the classroom." With most of the children taken to school by a mom or a grandma, Laura said the presence of fathers or other male role models in the classroom was a special treat for the children.

#### HOPE STREET HAPPENINGS





Knoll Furniture will be hosting Noel with Knoll, a cocktail reception to benefit Hope Street at their downtown Los Angeles showroom on the 29th floor of the Gas Company Tower on the evening of November 30th. Guests will enjoy a stunning setting overlooking the city, great food by Chef



#### SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, February 1, 2018

**Circle of Hope: Champions for Children Luncheon** 

Michelle & Co., drinks by Source Crafted Cocktails, and an opportunity to learn more about how Hope Street is transforming the lives of low-income families living in downtown L.A. and surrounding communities. For more information, please contact Mary Fagnano at <u>mary.fagnano@dignityhealth.org</u>.

### Announcing 2018 Champions for Children Honorees: UCLA BruinCorps & Matthew Katz

Hope Street is pleased to announce our 201 8 Circle of Hope Champions for Children honorees, UCLA BruinCorps and Matthew Katz, Founder and CEO of Verifi, Inc. Both nominees have made a significant impact on Hope Street's after school and summer programs.

UCLA BruinCorps, a work-study program for UCLA students-many of whom are first-generation college students, provides tutoring and mentoring to disadvantaged youth. BruinCorps has partnered with Hope Street for over 15 years to support the academic achievement of our after school program students.

Since 2014, Matthew Katz has funded the nutritious meals provided to students enrolled in the after school and summer programs at Hope Street Margolis Family Center. Verifi associates have volunteered at Hope Street and, thanks to the big screen and projector Matthew provided, families from throughout the community enjoy summer movie nights in our park.

In addition to their support of Hope Street, these two nominees have been agents for community change in myriad ways. For information on sponsorships, tickets, and tributes in the event journal, contact Mary Fagnano, Hope Street Development Officer, Phone: 213.742.5869 or Email: mary.fagnano@dignityhealth.org.

# Donor Profile: The Jonathan Club

Jonathan Club & L.A. Works Make A Difference



Jonathan Club volunteers, in partnership with L.A. Works, spent a Saturday of service at Hope Street Margolis Family Center.

On Saturday morning, September 23rd, Jonathan Club members and their families, along with Jonathan Club General Manager, Matthew Allnatt, showed up at the Hope Street Margolis Family Center to build wooden planters, kid-sized picnic tables and assemble toys and blankets. The event, organized by L.A. Works, engaged 40 Jonathan Club volunteers as well as Hope Street students, staff, and fund development committee members to be part of a team effort that added to the educational and social environment of the Hope Street Margolis Family Center play area which serves 52 children 0–5 years old.



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