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27th Annual Eddy Awards

November 9, 2022

Cocktail Reception & Silent Auction Dinner & Awards Program

On the Field at SoFi Stadium, Inglewood, CA
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OUR MISSION
Reinventing our economy to collaboratively advance growth and prosperity for all.

OUR VISION
A reimagined Los Angeles regional economy – growing, equitable, sustainable, and resilient – that provides a healthy and high standard of living for all.

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MOST BUSINESS-FRIENDLY CITY AWARD WINNERS
WINNERS ANNOUNCED TONIGHT!
The Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation, a non-profit organization, champions equitable economic growth across the Los Angeles region.

Through collaboration with community, government, business and education partners to inform and advance our data-driven and evidence-based approach, we endeavor to achieve a reimagined regional economy - growing, equitable, sustainable, and resilient - that provides a healthy and high standard of living for all.

LAEDC staff and our members represent the diversity of Los Angeles County and act as trusted conveners, thought partners, valued service providers, regional stewards, and catalysts for transformational change.

LAEDC introduced the Eddy Awards® in 1996 to celebrate individuals, organizations, and educational institutions that demonstrate exceptional contributions to positive economic development in the region.

The Eddy Awards gala dinner, where our region’s leaders come together, includes California’s only “Most Business-Friendly City” award. This year’s awards will stand out as they recognize the cities that created the most supportive environments for business recovery, growth, reinvention, and job retention.
Welcome to the 27th Annual Eddy Awards® and thank you for joining us as we recognize outstanding leadership in economic development in Los Angeles County.

CHAIR AND PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Each year, the Eddy Awards® recognize outstanding leadership in economic development. Thanks to the leadership of our honorees and our Most Business-Friendly City finalists, the region continues to grow as a powerhouse economy, not just in California but across the nation and the globe. Those we recognize tonight are part of a network that tirelessly moves our regional economy forward on an equitable and sustainable path.

In the category of Individual Leadership, we are honoring Bill Allen, retiring President and CEO of the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation and one of the nation’s top leaders in his field. Bill transformed the LAEDC’s mission and programs, establishing partnerships with key public and private stakeholders to advance a more robust, equitable, sustainable and resilient economy for LA. During Bill’s 17-year tenure, LAEDC’s award-winning Business Assistance Team reached the milestone of attracting or retaining more than 250,000 jobs for area residents through direct services to small businesses.

Next, in the category of Educational Leadership, we honor Santa Monica College. For more than 90 years, Santa Monica College has demonstrated its core mission of “Changing Lives in the Global Community Through Excellence in Education,” with an unrelenting focus on providing the most equitable, accessible education possible to a diverse student population. Santa Monica College has continued to deliver providing higher education, career training, and cultural enrichment to their community of students.

In the category of Corporate Leadership, we honor Stan Kroenke, alongside his Los Angeles Rams, SoFi Stadium and Hollywood Park. Stan’s vision for the development of SoFi Stadium and Hollywood Park enabled the return of two NFL teams and solidified the region’s ability to host the largest national and global events, ensuring future economic development and opportunities for decades to come. The development provides billions of dollars in investments and creates thousands of jobs throughout the region and highlights a powerful commitment to, and impact on, the future of Los Angeles County.

This year, our most business-friendly cities have excelled in their work to attract, support and retain businesses and jobs in our region. The finalists for Most Business-Friendly City are Carson, Gardena, Norwalk and Santa Clarita (population over 60,000) and Beverly Hills, El Segundo, Lomita, Monrovia, and Vernon (population under 60,000).

Thank you for joining our Eddy Awards® to celebrate strong leadership in economic and workforce development and for supporting the LAEDC in our mission to reinvent our economy to collaboratively advance growth and prosperity for all.

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Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation
444 South Flower Street, 37th Floor
Los Angeles, California 90071

Dear Friends:

It gives me great pleasure to extend my warmest greetings to all who have gathered for the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation’s 27th Annual Eddy Awards.

Since its inception, the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC) has dedicated itself to supporting equitable economic growth throughout the Los Angeles County region. Through its collaboration with regional partners and various workforce development initiatives, LAEDC has bolstered meaningful economic partnerships in Los Angeles County. There is no doubt its work has touched countless lives and will continue to do so for many years to come.

I would also like to take this opportunity to recognize tonight’s honorees: Santa Monica College, Bill Allen, and Stan Kroenke, alongside his Los Angeles Rams and SoFi Stadium and Hollywood Park. They have proven themselves to be leaders of the highest caliber and outstanding community servants.

As your United States Senator representing the State of California, I applaud Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation and all of tonight’s honorees for their tremendous achievements and contributions. Please accept my best wishes for a most memorable event.

With warmest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

Dianne Feinstein
United States Senator
Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation
444 South Flower Street, 37th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90071

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation’s (LAEDC) Annual Eddy Awards.

On this 27th year of the Eddy Awards, I commend LAEDC’s critical efforts in supporting a growing economy and sustainable job growth in Los Angeles County. LAEDC’s mission of creating an equitable and resilient Los Angeles County raises our standard of living and increases prosperity. As we collectively strive to rebuild from the COVID-19 pandemic, thank you for your leadership in strengthening our community.

I am thrilled to recognize this year’s honorees. Your commitment to economic development, equity, and opportunity inspires us all.

I wish LAEDC continued success for many years to come. Best wishes for a wonderful evening.

Sincerely,

ALEX PADILLA
United States Senator
CORPORATE HONOREE

STAN KROENKE, ALONGSIDE HIS LOS ANGELES RAMS AND SOFI STADIUM AND HOLLYWOOD PARK

With the January 2016 decision by the NFL Owners to return the Rams home to Los Angeles, Los Angeles Rams Owner/Chairman E. Stanley Kroenke engaged in developing the largest sports and entertainment development in the country in Inglewood, California leading to the opening of SoFi Stadium in 2020.

This development not only brought two NFL teams to Los Angeles, it also provided billions of dollars in investments and created thousands of jobs in the Los Angeles County region. The development of SoFi Stadium and Hollywood Park further solidified the ability for the region to host the largest national and global events, ensuring future economic development for decades to come.

Stan Kroenke, alongside his Los Angeles Rams and SoFi Stadium and Hollywood Park, are the 2022 Eddy Awards corporate honoree for their powerful commitment to, and impact on, the future of Los Angeles County.
Opening in 1929 with just 153 students, Santa Monica College (SMC) serves more than 27,400 students each year. Excelling as California’s #1 transfer college for over 31 consecutive years, Santa Monica College also provides over 110 career education-focused degrees and certificates, maintaining the largest student support network in California to ensure that each student—including and especially those from historically marginalized groups—achieves their goal of transferring, entering a career or upgrading their skills.

A pioneer of the uniquely American community college movement, SMC fulfills the educational needs of the broadest possible cross-section of its community—providing lifelong learning through its Emeritus Program for older adults as well as news and cultural enrichment through its NPR radio station KCRW (89.9 FM) and the Broad Stage at the SMC Performing Arts Center.

Above all, the college has demonstrated its core mission of “Changing Lives in the Global Community Through Excellence In Education,” with an unrelenting focus on providing the most equitable, accessible education possible to a diverse student population. Santa Monica College is the 2022 Eddy Awards education honoree for their continued delivery on providing higher education, career training, and cultural enrichment to their community of students.
Bill Allen has announced that he is retiring after 17 years as leader of the LAEDC. Bill transformed the LAEDC’s mission and programs, establishing partnerships with key public and private stakeholders to advance a more robust, equitable, sustainable and resilient economy for LA. During Bill’s tenure, LAEDC’s award-winning Business Assistance Team reached the milestone of attracting or retaining more than 250,000 jobs for area residents through direct services to small businesses.

Along the way, Allen redirected the mission of World Trade Center Los Angeles, an LAEDC affiliate, from a primary focus on trade facilitation to a primary focus on foreign direct investment attraction. Allen led many trade and investment missions throughout Europe, Asia, and North America, which helped attract thousands more jobs to the region and billions of dollars of investment in key growth sectors of the regional economy.

In 2021 Allen created the Los Angeles Digital Equity Action League with LAEDC and UNITE-LA as co-conveners of hundreds of public and private partners collaborating on strategies and tactics to eliminate the digital divide across Los Angeles County. LA DEAL is now the official Regional Broadband Consortium for LA County as designated by the California Public Utilities Commission.

Named Nonprofit CEO of the Year in 2012 by the Los Angeles Business Journal, Allen has been named among LA’s 500 most influential leaders every year since the Journal established the list.
PAST HONOREES

2021
• Hospital Association of Southern California
• The Employees of LA County
• Community Colleges of Los Angeles County

2019
• Citibank
• Philip A. Washington, CEO, Metro
• California University, Dominguez Hills

2018
• American Airlines
• Beatriz Acevedo, Entrepreneur & Visionary
• Cal Poly Pomona

2017
• Cedars-Sinai
• Mark Suster, Managing Partner, Upfront Ventures
• California State University, Los Angeles

2016
• AECOM
• Brian Lee, CEO & Co-Founder, The Honest Company
• California State University, Long Beach

2015
• Evan Spiegel, Co-Founder, Snap Inc.
• CBRE
• California State University, Northridge

2014
• Tony Pritzker, Managing Partner of Pritzker Group in Los Angeles and Chicago
• Honda Motor Company
• University of California, Los Angeles

2013
• SpaceX
• Yang Ho Cho, Chairman & CEO, Korean Air
• University of Southern California

2012
• California Institute of Technology
• Earvin "Magic" Johnson, Chairman & CEO, Magic Johnson Enterprises
• NBCUniversal

2011
• Los Angeles World Airports
• Dominic Ng, Chairman and CEO, East West Bank

2010
• Kaiser Permanente
• Do Won Chang, CEO, Forever 21

2009
• The Boeing Company
• Dr. Patrick Soon-Shiong, Executive Chairman of Abraxis BioScience and CEO of Abraxis Health

2008
• The Walt Disney Company
• Rick Caruso, President & CEO, Caruso

2007
• Northrop Grumman
• Jack Kyser, Founding Economist, The Kyser Center for Economic Research, LAEDC
PAST HONOREES

2006
- Toyota Motor Sales
- Russell Goldsmith, CEO, City National Bank

2005
- Alberto Alvarado, Los Angeles District Director, US Small Business Administration
- Janice Bryant Howroyd, CEO & Founder, ACT
- Richard Ziman, Chairman and CEO, Arden Realty

2004
- Monica Lozano, Publisher, La Opinion
- Liam McGee, President-Consumer Banking, Bank of America

2003
- George Deukmejian, 35th Governor of California
- William T. Huston, Chairman, Watson Land Company
- George Nicholaw, General Manager, KNX 1070 News Radio

2002
- Eli Broad, Founder, The Broad Foundation
- Tonian Hohberg, President and Founder, Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising (FIDM)
- Timothy Leiweke, President & CEO, Anschutz Entertainment Group
- Cardinal Roger Mahoney, Archbishop, Archdiocese of Los Angeles
- Stephan Smith, Partner, Los Angeles Center Studios
- James Thomas, CEO, Thomas Properties Group
- Andrea Van de Kamp, Chairman and CEO Music Center of LA County

2001
- Michael Antonovich, Los Angeles County Supervisor, 5th District
- Dr. David Baltimore, President, Caltech

2000
- Richard J. Riordan, Mayor, City of Los Angeles
- Dr. Steven B. Sample, President, University of Southern California

1999
- George L. Graziadio, Chairman & Co-Founder, Imperial Bank
- Beverly O’Neill, Mayor, City of Long Beach

1998
- Edward P. Roski, President & CEO, Majestic Realty Company

1997
- John Bryson, Chairman & CEO, Southern California Edison

1996
- Thomas Decker, Executive Vice President, Bank of America
MOST BUSINESS-FRIENDLY CITY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AWARD
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LOS ANGELES COUNTY FINALIST

POPULATION UNDER 60,000

BEVERLY HILLS
Beverly Hills is where the true partnership exists between the City, the businesses, and the residents making it the most business-friendly city in LA County. In a city known for the 5-star experience at hotels and restaurants alike, the businesses in Beverly Hills receive concierge 5-star service whether they call the mayor, the city manager, or any city staff. Businesses choose to open in Beverly Hills not just for the brand cachet but for the boutique experience of an accessible small-town government that is also one of the most famous world-class destinations.

EL SEGUNDO
Over the years, El Segundo has consistently followed a hands-on, active approach in partnering with our businesses. We make it a priority to champion economic development. The City offers a unique combination of advantages for businesses. A business-friendly environment, lower tax rates, proximity to LAX, connectivity to the region, highly skilled talent, and top-tier commercial office spaces in South Bay’s beachfront location. The experienced city staff’s commitment to the success of its business community is what attracts startups and corporations. Alongside aerospace and defense, El Segundo is a hub for high-growth industries, including emerging technologies, biomed, creative media, sports and entertainment.

LOMITA
The City of Lomita embodies a business-friendly attitude in all aspects of its organization and community. The City’s commitment to its small-town character, its willingly embrace of new and creative ideas, and its dedication to planting the seeds of the entrepreneurial spirit in the next generation of young business owners are a model for other cities to follow. By ensuring a willingness to try new things, invent new pathways to success and invest in our future, the City will ensure the success of its businesses and residents for generations to come.

MONROVIA
Monrovia’s individuals, businesses, non-profits and city officials receive accolades, recognition and awards for its history, diversity, and innovation. Without a doubt, the community piques the interest of those looking to relocate to Monrovia. The team is grounded in its organizational values of being humble, hungry, loyal, and smart, which shine through in every interaction with the public. With these guiding values, Monrovia’s way of doing things is unique and far from what a business would typically expect. An expedited, streamlined process coupled with a genuine desire to serve makes Monrovia business friendly.

VERNON
Vernon provides one-stop-shop land use services with expedient in-house plan reviews and permitting, health department approvals, fire inspections, and an unmatched suite of quality utility services. Vernon has convenient access to local, regional, national, and global transportation arteries - adjacent to the San Pedro Bay Port Complex, rail, the Alameda Corridor, three local airports, and five major freeways. As a commercial city that supports less than 250 residents, its City Council adopted a policy that permits many property use types to be allowed “by right.” This reduces the uncertainty a business may face when exploring locations to set up shop.
With its convenient proximity to three major freeways, low cost of doing business, incentive programs, and business-friendly reputation, the business couldn’t be better in Carson. Among the City’s most highly prioritized business-friendly programs are a streamlined permit/business license acquisition process, fast-tracked approvals, and low licensing/permit fees, particularly compared to neighboring cities. Carson’s website includes online business licenses; available retail, office, and industrial locations for sale or lease; and no-cost business assistance resources (e.g., $25,000 façade grants). Carson invests in its future through its One-Stop Career Center, providing local businesses with prepared workforces.

The City of Gardena is a dynamic and diverse community located in the South Bay region that maintains an ongoing business-friendly mindset and attitude. The City continuously strives to provide welcoming and superior customer service to businesses and industries that choose to establish, relocate or expand within the City of Gardena. As the City Council and staff continue to seek innovative ways to grow and strengthen our business community, residential and commercial developers continue investing in Gardena. The high number of new developments and existing established businesses demonstrate Gardena’s strength and ongoing commitment to preserving a pro-business and friendly mindset.

The City of Norwalk prides itself on being the Most Business-Friendly in Los Angeles County. The City promoted several businesses that were heavily affected during the pandemic on social media in 2021 - especially restaurants - through the City’s “Keepin’ It Local” campaign. Asking residents and community members to shop locally and working with the local chamber of commerce helped the City become aware of the needs of local businesses. In response, the City began to tailor its local ordinances to make them more business-friendly in 2021.

The City of Santa Clarita’s community-minded and business-driven approach to economic development has resulted in diverse projects to enhance the local economy and ensures an exceptional quality of life for residents. When a business is looking to expand in or relocate to Santa Clarita, the City and its community partners work directly with the business to find solutions. To aid in collaborative efforts, Santa Clarita has a network of business development services available, streamlined permit processes and several business incentives and advantages that make doing business in the City easy, convenient, efficient, and cost-effective.
PAST WINNERS AND FINALISTS
FOR MOST BUSINESS-FRIENDLY CITY

2021
City with population 60,000 and under
West Hollywood
Finalists: Culver City, El Segundo, Rosemead, Vernon
City with population 60,000 and over
Palmdale
Finalists: Gardena, Lancaster, Santa Clarita, Torrance

2019
City with population 50,000 and under
La Mirada
Finalists: Duarte, Monrovia, San Gabriel, Santa Fe Springs
City with population 50,000 and over
City of Lancaster
Finalists: Bellflower, Gardena, Norwalk, Pasadena, Rosemead

2018
City with population 50,000 and under
City of Azusa
Finalists: Duarte, Monrovia, San Gabriel, Santa Fe Springs
City with population 50,000 and over
City of Whittier
Finalists: Inglewood, Rosemead

2017
City with population 68,000 and under
City of Arcadia
Finalists: Azusa, Monrovia, Rosemead, Santa Fe Springs
City with population 68,000 and over
City of Downey
Finalists: Compton, Inglewood, Lakewood, Long Beach

2016
City with population 68,000 and under
City of Pico Rivera
Finalists: Arcadia, Azusa, Rosemead
City with population 68,000 and over
City of Santa Clarita
Finalists: Compton, Downey, Lakewood, Long Beach

2015
City with population 67,000 and under
El Segundo
Finalists: Azusa, Commerce, Pico Rivera, Vernon
City with population 67,000 and over
Palmdale
Finalists: Bellflower, Carson, Lakewood, Pasadena, Santa Clarita

2014
City with population 65,000 and under
Glendora
Finalists: Artesia, El Segundo, Pico Rivera, Vernon
City with population 65,000 and over
Glendale
Finalists: Bellflower, Lakewood, Palmdale

2013
City with population under 50,000
La Mirada
Finalists: Artesia, Bell Gardens, El Segundo, San Gabriel
City with population over 50,000
Lancaster
Finalists: Glendora, Paramount, Pico Rivera, Santa Monica
PAST WINNERS AND FINALISTS
FOR MOST BUSINESS-FRIENDLY CITY

2012
City with population under 60,000
Duarte
Finalists: Commerce, El Segundo, Glendora, La Mirada

City with population over 60,000
Whittier
Finalists: Baldwin Park, Glendale, Pico Rivera, Santa Monica

2011
City with population under 60,000
Monrovia
Finalists: Commerce, Duarte, Gardena, La Mirada

City with population over 60,000
West Covina
Finalists: Burbank, Carson, Glendale, Torrance, Whittier

2010
City with population under 60,000
Cerritos
Finalists: Azusa, Commerce, Duarte, La Mirada, Monrovia

City with population over 60,000
Alhambra
Finalists: Downey, Carson, Torrance, West Covina, Whittier

2009
City with population under 60,000
Santa Fe Springs
Finalists: Bell Gardens, Commerce, La Mirada

City with population over 60,000
Long Beach
Finalists: Alhambra, Downey, Lakewood, Torrance, Whittier

2008
City with population under 50,000
Vernon
Finalists: Culver City, La Mirada, Monrovia, Santa Fe Springs

City with population over 50,000
Santa Clarita
Finalists: Cerritos, Glendale, Long Beach, Pasadena

2007
Lancaster
Finalists: Burbank, Cerritos, Long Beach, Palmdale, Santa Clarita

2006
El Segundo
Finalists: Burbank, Lancaster, Long Beach, Santa Clarita
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CARUSO IS PROUD TO CELEBRATE THE LEGACY OF BILL ALLEN AND THE LOS ANGELES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

We are inspired by the vision and achievements of this year’s Eddy Honoree, Bill Allen, President & CEO of the LAEDC.

Bill has elevated the organization’s mission and programs during his tenure, solidifying LAEDC’s role in helping build a more robust, sustainable and resilient economy for the Los Angeles region.

We are honored to join our partners and friends at LAEDC in congratulating Bill on his incredible contributions and this much-deserved recognition.

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Chevron is proud to sponsor the Eddy Awards. Thank you, Bill Allen, for your tireless leadership and economic development advocacy.
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We join in honoring

Bill Allen, Stan Kroenke
and
Santa Monica College

for their demonstration of exceptional contributions to positive economic development

Congratulations to our partner Steven J. Olson on his role as Chair of the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation
We would like to thank the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation for its outstanding work for our community and congratulate all of this year’s Eddy Award winners.

— Eric Rowen, Corporate Counsel of the LAEDC and your friends at Greenberg Traurig

We are proud to support the LAEDC Eddy Awards
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send congratulations to

President and CEO
Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation

Bill Allen

for his commitment and distinguished service
to the greater Los Angeles community

Fight On!
Dentons is proud to partner with the LAEDC to celebrate this year’s Eddy Awards Honorees.
The Weingart Foundation joins the Los Angeles community in honoring **BILL ALLEN** for his 17 years of leadership and service as CEO of the LA Economic Development Corporation.

**THANK YOU, BILL**
for being a champion for equity and inclusion.

We look forward to continuing to work together to advance racial and socio-economic justice.
The Los Angeles Studio Plan

Television City proudly supports the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation & warmly congratulates this year’s Eddy Awards honorees

Bill Allen, Stan Kroenke, Dr. Kathryn Jeffery and Santa Monica College
Kaiser Permanente congratulates the Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation and its honorees

Mr. Bill Allen
Mr. Stan Kroenke
Santa Monica College

for their contributions to LA’s thriving economy.

CONGRATULATIONS CITY OF EL SEGUNDO

LAEDC EDDY AWARDS NOMINEE
MOST BUSINESS FRIENDLY CITY

The City with the most professional sports teams
Congratulations
2022 Eddy Awards Winners

CSUN is committed to providing talent and opportunity to the Los Angeles area. From our graduates and the economic initiatives we spearhead to our educational and research support for the success of regional employers, we let excellence be our guide. That’s why we’re honored to support the Eddy Awards and congratulate all of the award recipients.

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Metropolitan honors Bill Allen for his enduring leadership and shared vision to be more equitable and inclusive in how we develop our workforce, grow our economy and serve our diverse communities.

We extend congratulations to all 2022 Eddy Award Honorees.
SoCalGas recognizes LAEDC for its dedication to opening new doors for businesses and creating new possibilities for our communities. Businesses are cornerstones of our community and their owners are local heroes. They create jobs, provide goods and services and make a difference every day.

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And our special congratulations to Bill Allen, LAEDC’s longest-serving CEO, on his upcoming retirement after 17 years.

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Thank you, Bill, for your wisdom, dedication, and leadership and for inspiring us all in continuing the mission of LAEDC. We also congratulate all of this year’s honorees at the 27th Annual Eddy Awards.
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BILL ALLEN

Congratulations on your retirement and being named a 27th Annual Eddy Award Honoree.

Your exemplary leadership at LAEDC has left an everlasting imprint on our city’s business community. We’re fortunate to have worked with you all these years. Best of luck in the next chapter of your life.

Respectfully,
Jeff Assaf & all your friends at

ICG Advisors

Cheers to the honorees!
Bill Allen
Stan Kroenke/LA Rams
Santa Monica College
Solutions from all sides.

We are thrilled to continue our support of LAEDC. Congratulations to Stan Kroenke and Dr. Kathryn Jeffery.

A special thanks to Bill Allen for his leadership in the community.

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Los Angeles Rams, in partnership with SoFi Stadium and Hollywood Park, applaud LAEDC for recognizing Stan Kroenke, Bill Allen and Santa Monica College in the 27th Annual Eddy Awards.
Congratulations, Bill

ON 17 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE LAEDC AND FOR THE EXTRAORDINARY IMPACT YOU HAVE MADE ON SO MANY LIVES THROUGHOUT OUR REGION.

Every day of our 42 years together I’ve been proud of your commitment to family, friends and community.

Our children join me in being especially proud of your decision to retire and spend more time with us!

With all our love and admiration,

MARIE, AMANDA, BRAD, BOBBY AND TESSIE
We honor your vision, the impact you've made and your continued success. Congratulations to tonight's exceptional honorees: Bill Allen, Stan Kroenke, Santa Monica College and to the Most Business-Friendly City Award finalists.
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The Los Angeles LDC would like to **Congratulate Bill Allen** on the impactful legacy he is leaving in Los Angeles as he looks ahead to retirement.

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Dear Bill,

Cheers to your well-earned retirement! Bill, you have said many times that Economic Development is a team sport and you’re right! For the past 17 years you have been our MVP and have led our team to various wins. The contributions that you have imparted to all of us are invaluable and we will always be grateful. We are going to miss you terribly but wish you the best.

Sincerely,

Alex, Arthur, Barbara, Bob, Cecil, Esmeraldo, Jermaine, Jose, Kendal, Leonard, Linden, Mariah, Mariana, Max, Melissa, Michael, Norma, Riccardo, Rick, Ricky, Seta, Shane, Shannon, Sonia, Stephen, and Suli
Bill Allen

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For seventeen years of leadership at LAEDC

And sixteen (and counting) on the board of FilmLA

As a dedicated champion of film industry jobs

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Bill Allen, President & CEO
In recognition of your 17 years of partner success and impact on economic development.

Representing more than 152,100 Californians directly employed by the oil and gas industry, we thank you, Bill Allen, for your vision and dedication to economic vitality throughout Los Angeles County.
Congratulations to Bill Allen, LAEDC President and CEO, on his retirement as well as the Honorees and Finalists of the LAEDC 27th Annual Eddy Awards

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