

The D'Andre D. Lampkin 2018 Social Good Benefit Gala

100 donors, including royalty, and supporters of the D'Andre D. Lampkin Foundation gathered for the Lampkin Foundation's annual Social Good Benefit Gala.

ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, UNITED STATES, October 26, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- On Friday, September 28, 2018, approximately 100 donors and supporters of the D'Andre D. Lampkin Foundation gathered for the Lampkin Foundation's annual Social Good Benefit Gala. The red carpet event took place at the 100 year old historic Beverly Hotel (now Beverly Banquets) located in Ontario, California. One hundred percent of the proceeds benefited the programs and initiatives designed to support education, economic development, climate change research, health and wellness, and healthy alternatives for underserved communities.



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The benefit gala featured a world class red carpet networking reception, live performances by the Inland Conservatory for the Performing Arts, city and state officials, and a sit down dinner graciously sponsored by Beverly Banquets.

European Royal, [Prince Mario-Max Schaumburg-Lippe](#) hosted the benefit gala. Board Member Marcellus McMillian opened the evening with an invocation and thanked the many supporters and sponsors of the Gala. Personal perspectives on the Foundation were then offered by two recipients of the Lampkin Foundation Social Good Scholarship: Allison Green and Sarina McCabe who is

currently attending Emory University. Attendees were also addressed via video message by Dr. Alison Thompson, a D'Andre D. Lampkin Foundation supporter, donor partner, and full time global humanitarian volunteer who had partnered with the Foundation during its 2017 Power to Puerto Rico campaign.

Thompson recounted how she first met D'Andre Lampkin in August 2017 following Hurricane Maria making landfall in Puerto Rico. The Lampkin Foundation coordinated the delivery of donations, such as clothing, and purchased 1500 units of solar power to be used in Puerto Rico to light roads and homes in the village areas. Dr. Thompson most fondly told the audience that the Lampkin Foundation has and continues to be about focusing on people, believing in humans, and showing love and compassion to everyone.

The D'Andre D. Lampkin Foundation's annual Social Good Benefit Gala raised more than \$19,800 for its causes, publications and various programs. This includes \$9,500 in sponsorship provided by Beverly Banquets, The O'Steen Group, Galleano Winery, and Care Staffing Professionals.

"When people volunteer, it's a valuable commodity in our city. Often times, volunteer organizations have a ton of request. When the Lampkin Foundation goes out to volunteer in the community, they go out and do a great job," said Paul Leon, Mayor, City of Ontario. "Then, they often report to the city positive statements about the things that have been happening without asking the city council for anything. And that motivates us to partner with him. D'Andre Lampkin is like me, and I am like him. He does it the way that I think you need to do it. His organization promotes volunteerism because it's the right thing to do - not because you are earning anything or gaining anything. And that's how the D'Andre D. Lampkin Foundation does it. The city appreciates him very much. The Lampkin Foundation does it right."

"This was our first benefit. What I was most moved by was the impact statements - the testimonials and stories our supporters, donors, award recipients, and scholars told," added D'Andre Lampkin, Board Chair, Lampkin Foundation. "We've done quite a bit of work this year to promote the building or stronger, more resilient communities. I've been working in public service for over 13 years. I started the foundation because what I've found throughout my time in public service is that in some communities we rely so heavily on government resources that we never really take the time to start thinking about what we ourselves can do to resolve some of the biggest challenges facing our communities. The power really comes from the people who live in each community and I wanted to start an organization that would really get people thinking about ways they can resolve some of those problems as a community. We do that through our programs and initiatives."

The D'Andre D. Lampkin Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization operating programs throughout California that have a significant impact in a wide range of issue areas, including education, economic development, climate change research, health and wellness, and providing healthy alternatives for under-served communities.

The Lampkin Foundation was established as a 501(c)(3) organization in July 2017. Since then the Foundation have provided 5 college scholarships, planted over 250 trees, fed 48 families throughout the region, and provided and coordinated disaster relief for residents on the mainland of the U.S. and in Puerto Rico.

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The D'Andre D. Lampkin Foundation

The mission of the D'Andre D. Lampkin Foundation is to create positive opportunities and change for individuals, communities, and environments. Our goal is to sponsor and create programs and initiatives that lead to the development of stronger communities and positively impact individuals wanting to lead happier and healthier lives. We have a vision for communities that are strong, fully engaged, and resilient; where all stakeholders are self-reliant and fully supported by sustainable ingenuity and grassroots efforts.

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