

California Ambassador Summit

January 18, 2025 | Together We Thrive: Building Hope and CommUnity

9:00 am - 9:55 am **Registration**

*Savor a cup of coffee while you catch up with friends, enjoy the photo booth, and build your **Block of Hope!***

10:00 am - 11:50 am **Morning Session**

10:00 am	Welcome	Jamie Escoto <i>California State Lead Ambassador</i>
10:05 am	From Grief to Growth <i>The Power of Community & Advocacy</i>	Jamie Escoto <i>California State Lead Ambassador</i>
10:15 am	ACS CAN Update #1: Federal <i>State of Federal ACS CAN & 2025 Federal Priorities</i>	Mark Anderson <i>Vice President, Government Relations, ACS CAN</i>
10:30 am	Morning Awards <i>Pete Cala Effective Storyteller Fundraising</i>	Speaker TBD <i>Speaker Title/Organization</i>
10:45 am	Panel: From Bench to Bedside <i>Translating scientific discoveries from a laboratory setting into patient care</i>	Cesar Gonzalez, moderator <i>Shannon Braun Dr. Nicholas Graham Ana Reyes Dr. Reena Thomas</i>

11:45 am - 1:00 pm **BREAK!**

11:45 am **Lunch**
*Be sure to stop by the **Youth Passion Project Symposium!***

12:30 pm **Outdoor Networking & Walk to the Bluff**
Walkers, meet near registration table at 12:25 sharp!



1:15 pm - 3:10 pm		Breakout Sessions	
1:15 pm	Breakouts Round 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Demonstrating Impact & Fueling the Mission</i> • <i>Welcome! We're so glad you're here</i> • <i>Building the Base</i> • <i>Tu Historia Puede Hacer la Diferencia (Your Story Can Make A Difference)</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location • Location • Location • Location
2:15 pm	Breakouts Round 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Grant Teams in Action</i> • <i>Youth Symposium</i> • <i>The Power of Power Analysis</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location • Location • Location
3:15 pm	Breakouts Round 3 (Regional)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Northern California</i> • <i>Central & Southern California</i> • <i>Greater Los Angeles area</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location • Location • Location

4:15 pm - 4:45 pm		Afternoon Session	
4:15 pm	Welcome Back	Jamie Escoto <i>California State Lead Ambassador</i>	
4:20 pm	ACS CAN Update #2: California State of California ACS CAN and 2024 State Priorities	Jim Knox <i>Managing Director, ACS CAN California/Guam/Hawaii</i>	
4:30 pm	Final Awards <i>Local Advocacy</i> <i>Rising Star</i> <i>Star Ambassador</i>	Speaker TBD <i>Speaker Title/Organization</i>	

4:40 pm	Closing Remarks		
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