



Steve Widdoss -
Washington Square
Neighborhood
Association

For more than four years, Steve has lived in Washington Square and through this time, he has been actively participating at quarterly neighborhood meetings, organizing a neighborhood car show, and caring for his immediate neighbors. He has donated so much of his time helping the neighborhood with exterior lighting projects, caring for aging neighbors and organizing neighborhood events. This is Steve's gift to the neighborhood and we at Washington Square are grateful to have him as a neighbor. For this and much more, Steve is deserving to be selected as Washington Square's Neighborhood Hero!

Agustin Jauregui -
Wilshire Square
Neighborhood
Association



For many years, Agustin has been the silent support system that keeps Wilshire Square going! Always reliable, there has not been an event that our neighborhood has organized without his assistance. Agustine puts up event signs, constructs booths and stages, and provides special event set up and cleans up afterwards. He helps any neighbor and offers his home to host meetings and events whenever needed. To say he is generous is an understatement. Augie contributes much to our success making Wilshire Square better for us all. We are so thrilled to honor and celebrate our Neighborhood Hero and shining star for Wilshire Square - Agustin Jauregui!



SANTA ANA COMMUNICATION LINKAGE FORUM (COM-LINK)

Established in 1989, Com-Link provides opportunities for information exchange and presentations on policy issues that are of general interest or concern to the city's neighborhoods. Com-Link meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month and we welcome and encourage all to attend Com-Link meetings. For more information, please visit the Com-Link webpage at www.santa-ana.org/neighborhood-initiatives/com-link



Communication Linkage Forum Presents Santa Ana's 2021

NEIGHBORHOOD HERO AWARDS

**Thursday, November 18, 2021
Santa Ana Police Department
Community Room, 7:00 p.m.**



2021 Neighborhood Hero Awards

The "Neighborhood Hero Award," proudly established by the Santa Ana Communication Linkage Forum Board, honors those individuals who have shown commitment and enthusiasm in strengthening the quality of life in their neighborhoods. This year, we have selected nine Neighborhood Hero Winners and one William Edward Branch III Humanitarian Spirit Award Honoree because each has demonstrated their leadership, commitment, generosity, and the selflessness needed to enhance their neighborhood and the greater Santa Ana community. Please join us in honoring and congratulating these outstanding community leaders!



William Edward Branch III
2021 Humanitarian Spirit
Award - Honoree
Peter A. Katz

The late Peter A Katz, United States Army Veteran, served as Com-Link President, Mar-Les Neighborhood Leader, and Community Advocate. Peter had boundless energy to frequently attend public meetings, social events, neighborhood-produced events, helped to start Connect to Council and connected with many organizations. His tireless effort for the Veterans Cemetery in Orange County paid off when the project was finally approved. Peter was well-known and respected by residents, City officials, Department leaders and other elected officials for his dedication to strengthen the greater Santa Ana community.

Abraham Munoz -
Bella Vista
Neighborhood
Association



When Abraham moved to Santa Ana, he volunteered at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. He noticed that his neighborhood encountered dangerous situations so he started to get involved in neighborhood association meetings and local organizations. His commitment and leadership has positively influenced a group he convenes on Thursdays for prayer and invites them to clean the neighborhood, alley and flood channel nearby. Thanks to our Neighborhood Hero, Abraham!



Christine Switzer -
Floral Park
Neighborhood
Association

Chris embodies the heart and soul of the Floral Park Neighborhood. She has built the neighborhood butterfly garden from idea to implementation, she is the active host and member of the Floral Park Book Club, she started the Garden Exchange where neighbors bring fruits and vegetables from their garden to exchange and make dishes, and so much more! We are grateful to Chris for her generosity and selflessness to help her neighbors!

Lawrence Klein -
Morrison Park
Neighborhood Association

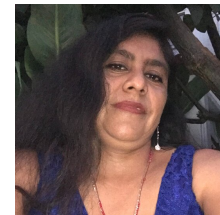


Lawrence has been involved in the Morrison Park neighborhood soon after he moved into his house in 2009. Very instrumental in identifying traffic calming needs and solutions, he became leader of the neighborhood Traffic Committee and has been involved in identifying areas in need of new trees or replacements. He has served as the Neighborhood Historian and has written a number of articles for the Morrison Park News. We are very proud of Lawrence!



Jeffery Chirinos and Nicholas
Monteer - Heninger Park
Neighborhood Association

Jeffery and Nicholas have been instrumental in uniting neighbors to bring attention to an intersection where a speeding traffic accident resulted in the death of a young child. Their activism has resulted in the installation of a temporary roundabout as a traffic calming measure. They have organized a neighborhood traffic committee with the goal to encourage neighbors to identify additional neighborhood locations in need of traffic calming measures. Special thanks to our heroes!



Andrea Chamu and Cesar Medina -
Sullivan Community

Andrea and Cesar have been long time residents of the Sullivan community. They have brought up quality of life concerns to the City of Santa Ana such as the conditions in their mobile home park, concerns about the earlier four-way stop sign on Willits and Sullivan intersection. Their efforts to help document driver patterns lead to a victory in the community when traffic lights were installed. They worked together with the community to identify vacant parcel to beautify with landscape improvements and an art project through funding from the Community Development Block Grant. In January 2022, Andrea, Cesar, and the Sullivan community will be part of a celebration to unveil the art sculpture project on Willits and Sullivan! Cheers to our heroes!