

2025 Irvine Nonprofit Week

SEPTEMBER 30–OCTOBER 4



Meet Keynote Speaker Lindsey Spindle, President of Samueli Family Philanthropies

Tuesday, September 30 | 4–6 p.m.

The Pools Clubhouse & Veranda, Great Park Neighborhoods, 120 Newington

Lindsey Spindle will discuss how the Samueli Family Philanthropies has dramatically increased its giving over the last three years, with a specific focus on enhancing well-being and opportunity for all in Orange County. She will share results from their recently launched Breakaway and Build OC Funds, a new effort to support the Orange County nonprofit sector with trust-based, rapidly dispersed unrestricted funding. Lindsey will also share insights into how the Samueli Foundation makes its decisions; where it sees room for creative opportunities; and how it collaborates with others, including parts of the Samueli business enterprise such as the Anaheim Ducks and OC VIBE, to maximize its local impact.

Biography

Lindsey Spindle serves as President and Board Director of the Samueli Family Philanthropies. Appointed by Henry and Susan Samueli in March 2022, Lindsey is remit to build a creative constellation of activities that bring Henry and Susan's philanthropic ambitions to life — in their lifetimes.

Lindsey presides over the Samueli Foundation and Anaheim Ducks Foundation; she is also a senior strategy advisor for the Samueli family office, H&S Ventures. Under Lindsey's leadership over the last three years, the Samueli Foundation has dramatically expanded its work on combatting antisemitism and strengthening Orange County for all. The Foundation's giving went from \$18.8 million in 2022 to a target of \$130 million in 2025.

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Lindsey has been a philanthropic executive for a decade. Previously, she was President of The Jeff Skoll Group, where she connected and advised Mr. Skoll's portfolio of philanthropic and commercial organizations that include the entertainment company Participant, Capricorn Investment Group, and the Skoll Foundation. Lindsey remains a Board Director for The Skoll Foundation, chairing both the governance and audit committees.

The common thread in Lindsey's career is her dedication to shaping organizations and campaigns that improve people's lives, particularly women and children. She was the first-ever Chief Communications and Brand Officer of Share Our Strength, a national nonprofit focused on ending childhood hunger in America through its groundbreaking No Kid Hungry campaign. Under her leadership, the No Kid Hungry campaign won PR Week's prestigious Non-Profit Campaign of the Year in 2015 and increased participation in federal meal programs by several million children year over year.

Before focusing on domestic hunger eradication, Lindsey spent nearly 20 years in health care communications, policy, and government relations working for some of the nation's most respected commercial and nonprofit organizations. She has shaped major national campaigns such as the groundbreaking 'truth' campaign that curbed youth smoking by 30% in one year and was eventually named by Advertising Age as one of the top 10 ad campaigns of the 21st century.

Lindsey was in the pioneer class of girls to attend the Lawrenceville School and is a proud graduate of the University of Michigan. She's a fourth generation native Washingtonian turned California transplant along with her husband David and two children. In her spare time, Lindsey is a professional hockey fanatic, book-a-week reader, adventurous eater, and reformed distance runner turned Peloton enthusiast.

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Opening Reception

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Join us for a networking reception, featuring remarks from Keynote Speaker Lindsey Spindle, President of Samueli Family Philanthropies.

Networking Conference

Wednesday, October 1 | 9 to 11:30 a.m.

(Check-in begins at 8:45 a.m.)

Irvine City Hall, 1 Civic Center Plaza

Gain insights from industry leaders as they examine critical issues through panel discussions on affordable housing, food security and sustainability, behavioral health, alternative funding solutions, services for individuals with special needs, and early care and education.

Healthy Living Expo Community Resource Fair

Saturday, October 4 | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Irvine City Hall, 1 Civic Center Plaza

Visit with local nonprofits and exhibitors to explore resources and information that support the health and wellness of community members at every age and stage of life.



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