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East Bay Leadership Council Announces Honorees for 5th Annual Philanthropy Awards

Concord, CA – After five years of honoring those who give back their time, talent, and treasure to the East Bay community, you might think the well of exceptional honorees would be running dry.

That could not be further from the truth.

On November 12, 2015 at the Blackhawk Automotive Museum in Danville, the East Bay Leadership Council will honor an outstanding class of community-minded leaders who make the East Bay a more vibrant place to live and work ([click here for event details and registration](#)).

A selection committee made up of local elected officials, community advocates, employer representatives, and nonprofit leaders reviewed more than fifty nominations submitted by non-profits who shared a personal narrative explaining the nominee's contribution to the East Bay community.

After a thoughtful deliberation, ten honorees were selected:

Outstanding Corporate Philanthropist (501+ employees)

Safeway

Outstanding Corporate Philanthropist (100-500 employees)

Clif Bar & Company

Outstanding Corporate Philanthropist (1-99 employees)

Waters Moving & Storage Company

Outstanding Philanthropist

Thomas DeJonghe

Outstanding Foundation or Community Grant Maker

Thomas J. Long Foundation

Outstanding Collaborative Project

White Pony Express

Volunteer of the Year

Dr. Washington Burns

Next Generation Philanthropist

Christina Adams

Most Inspirational Philanthropist

Arlie Smith

Lifetime Achievement Award

Sue Rainey

The Awards will feature a keynote address from Alice Waters ([click here for photo](#)), Owner of Chez Panisse & Founder of the Edible Schoolyard. The legendary chef who recently received the National Humanities Medal has dedicated her life to celebrating the edible and the ethical. Her passion for healthy communities has sparked inspiration around the world and truly embodies the spirit of the Philanthropy Awards.

Event Details

Date: November 12, 2015

Registration: 7:30 AM

Program: 8:00 AM

Location: Blackhawk Museum, 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle, Danville, CA 94506

Register online: <http://tinyurl.com/ebcphilanthropy2015>

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About the East Bay Leadership Council

The East Bay Leadership Council, commonly referred to as the Council or EBLC, is an employer-led organization founded nearly 80 years ago with a clear mission: to advocate on public policy issues affecting the economic vitality and quality of life in the East Bay.

Today we remain focused on our founding principle by addressing the priorities of our diverse membership, collaborating with regional leaders, developing public policy in our issues-driven task forces, taking action through direct advocacy, and sponsoring events that inform and engage elected officials and the East Bay region.

Website: www.eastbayleadershipcouncil.com