

Welcome to MAKE 'm SMILE SoCal!

The **BIGGEST** Party celebrating kids and adults with all abilities... *our VIPs!*

We are honored to have you with us today for MAKE 'm SMILE SoCal, the biggest party celebrating kids and adults with varying abilities, our VIPs!

Today the community joins together arm in arm, and heart to heart to cheer on, be Buddies, and help MAKE 'm SMILE! We have a lot of fun family entertainment, games, characters, animals, food, helpful resources, and tons of smiles planned for our VIP friends today!

The MAKE 'm SMILE party started as a way to remember the birthday of our son, Nathaniel Timothy Kuck, "A Treasured Gift of God", who was born with multiple special needs. Surgeries, therapies, sickness, and hospital visits all became a normal part of his life. After beating the odds and overcoming many physical challenges, Nathaniel had a change of address to heaven at an early age of 4 1/2. Nathaniel taught us that each life has **Value and Incredible Purpose**. What may appear to be imperfect in the eyes of humans is perfect in the sight of God. That is why we gather to celebrate every VIP here today!

MAKE 'm SMILE has been hosted in Orlando, FL for 23 years! Since then, the party has spread to Ohio, Southern California, North Carolina and Minnesota, with plans to continue to expand around the country.



We hope that you will be encouraged to know that you are not alone. **You are loved by God and this community!**

Always remember, no matter what you face in life there is ALWAYS HOPE... because **"HOPE LIVES!"**

Sharing Hope and Smiles,

Tim + Marie ☺

Tim and Marie Kuck
Nathaniel's Dad and Mom

**"We have this hope as an anchor
for the soul, firm and secure."**
- Hebrews 6:19

Event Highlights

**ANIMAL & MUSICAL STAGE SHOWS ■ MEET 'N GREET ANIMAL STATIONS ■ FOOD
VIP TRAIN RIDE ■ BOUNCE HOUSES ■ PHOTO PROPS ■ SPECIAL VEHICLES
FACE PAINTING ■ HELPFUL RESOURCES & MORE!**



VIP Lunch
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Snacks and VIP
Lemonade served
throughout the day

11:00 AM - Meet 'n Greet throughout the day
11:30 AM & 1:00 PM - Allwayz on Stage
12:00 PM & 2:00 PM - Animal Presentation at Wildlife Theater
1:00 PM - Keeper Chat in front of Ira the Lion
1:15 PM - Keeper Chat in front of Tigers
2:00 PM - Feeding & Training demonstration with Ira the Lion



MAKE 'm SMILE SoCal Event Map



Be on the lookout
for Nathaniel.
Be sure to say
hello and take
a picture
with him.

Mater,
Doc Hudson &
Specialized Vehicles
Fun Photo Prop Opps
& Activities
VIP Food Upstairs &
Lunch Tables Downstairs
VIP Changing Room
Volunteer Break Room

Karaoke,
Activities &
Snacks

ANIMALS

- A AVIARY
- B TORTOISE TRAIL
- C GALAPAGOS TORTOISE
- D ALLIGATOR
- E REPTILE HOUSE
- F ALUMNI AVIARY
- G SMALL MAMMALS
- H CARNIVORES
- I BUTTERFLY CONSERVATION
- J HOOFSTOCK
- K PRIMATE GARDEN

BUDDY
BREAK
Partners

VIP
Respite
Room

Elevator

VIP
Food

Zoo Entrance

The FUN ZONE!

Wildlife Theater

The Teaching Zoo
At Moorpark College

- Accessible Restrooms
- Exhibitors
- First Aid Tent
- VIP Train Stop
- VIP Lemonade



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Riding The Spectrum | Threadbender Textiles | Tri-Counties Regional Center

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all year long that enrich the lives of VIP families.



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who have
gone to
Heaven



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Nathaniel's Hope celebrates and serves kids and adults with special needs...our VIPs!

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September 20, 2025

The Teaching Zoo at Moorpark College | Moorpark, CA

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