



More than 2,000 walkers to stroll and roll through Universal Studios Backlot in Support of people with disabilities.

AbilityFirst Event Expected to Raise More Than \$920,000 for Programs & Services

- WHAT:** Unique opportunity to Participate in a Fundraising Walk Through Universal Studios Backlot! Walk and roll past actual sound stages, historical props and famous film sets on the lot.
- WHO:** **Whit Johnson** – NBC4 “Today in LA” anchor; event emcee
Shanna Mendiola – NBC4 “Today in LA” meteorologist; event emcee
Lauren Potter – AbilityFirst Celebrity Ambassador; actress, best known as “Becky” in FOX hit TV show, *Glee*
Lee Meriwether – AbilityFirst Honorary Chair; actress, model, director, Miss America 1955, best known as *Batman’s* original Catwoman
Jaclyn Smith – AbilityFirst Honorary Chair; actress, best known for *Charlie’s Angels*
Heather Langenkamp – Special Guest; actress best known for *Nightmare Before Elm Street*
- WHEN:** **Sunday, April 2, 2017**
Registration – 6:30a.m. Presentation - 7:00a.m. Step off -7:30 a.m.
- WHERE:** **Universal Studios Hollywood Backlot, 3900 Lankershim Blvd, Gate 3,**
Universal City, CA
- WHY:** **About Stroll & Roll**
The AbilityFirst Stroll & Roll is a yearly fundraiser involving nearly two thousand participants with disabilities from AbilityFirst locations around Greater Los Angeles, dozens of teams from Southern California, participant families and corporate supporters. Participants run, walk and stroll through the Universal Studios Hollywood legendary behind-the-scenes backlot. They will view and stroll past many studio attractions, sets and meet Universal Studios’ celebrity characters such as Spongebob Squarepegs and Dora the Explorer, all while spending the morning with friends, families and supporters.
- About AbilityFirst**
For more than 90 years AbilityFirst has been providing programs and services throughout Greater Los Angeles for children and adults with disabilities. AbilityFirst provides a variety of programs designed to help people with disabilities achieve their personal best through their lives. This is accomplished through targeted programming to help an individual successfully transition from childhood to adult life, providing employment preparation and training, building social connections and fostering independence while offering both our participants and their caregivers an opportunity to

recharge through our recreational activities, including a fully accessible summer camp, Camp Paivika.

SPONSORS: Stroll & Roll is presented by Comerica Bank and Nextera. Platinum Sponsor is Platinum Equity. Gold Sponsor is Quetico, Silver Sponsors are NRG, Jordana, Capital Group and the Skechers Foundation; NBC4 Southern California is the media sponsor of the event.

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