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MEDIA ADVISORY

EVENT **Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas and Special Needs Network's 11th Annual Back 2 School Community Health and Resource Fair**

DATE Saturday, August 13, 2016

TIME 11am - 3pm

VENUE Mt. Carmel Recreation Center,
834 W. 70th St., Los Angeles, CA 90044
* Free parking available at St. Raphael's Catholic School
924 W. 70th St., Los Angeles, CA 90044

ATTENDEES Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas
Special Needs Network
Southside Coalition of Community Health Centers
Corporate Sponsors: Los Angeles Dodgers, Anthem Blue Cross, Autism Business Association, Autism Behavioral Sciences, Inc., St. John's Well Child & Family Center and UMMA Community Clinic

EVENT DETAILS

Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas and the Special Needs Network are co-hosting the 11th Annual Back 2 School Community Health And Resource Fair.

Activities include:

- backpack and school supplies giveaways
- free health and dental screenings
- health insurance registration;
- free legal clinic
- educational resources
- free professional haircuts
- Special presentation by Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas to acknowledge National Health Center Week
- Special presentation by Anthem Blue Cross of a \$25,000 check to Special Needs Network to support its *South LA Gets Fit* yearlong health and wellness program

The event will also feature about 80 resource vendors, live music & entertainment, free food and beverages, raffle prizes (including an iPad), petting zoo, and games and activities for kids and teens.

Special Needs Network (www.snnla.org) firmly believes that dignity, hope and opportunity are the birthright of all children. Its mission is to raise public awareness of developmental disabilities and to impact public policy while providing education and resources to families, children and adults. It serves as a link between underserved communities and mainstream developmental disability organizations and governmental institutions. For press inquiries, contact turk@turkentertainmentpr.com or 323-934-2727; for event inquiries, juancarlos@specialneedsnetwork.org or 323-291-7100.

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