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**WEST COAST UNIVERSITY IN IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, HONORED BY PROJECT ACCESS
AS AN OUTSTANDING COLLABORATIVE PARTNER**

**OneOC's Spirit of Volunteerism Award Honors Partnerships Between
Volunteers, Companies, and Nonprofits such as Project Access and West Coast University**

ORANGE, Calif. (May 4, 2022) – Project Access has honored West Coast University in Irvine, California, with a nomination for [OneOC's \(Volunteer Center of Orange County\)](#) Spirit of Volunteerism Award in the category of outstanding collaborative partnership. The noncompetitive recognition showcases Orange County's most deserving nonprofit organizations and local businesses.

[West Coast University](#) makes healthcare education accessible to everyone who meets its admissions criteria while leading the way for market-responsive programs that adapt to the complex and changing healthcare landscape. They have collaborated with [Project Access](#), a non-profit organization based in Orange, California, which operates Family and Senior Resource Centers in over 80 affordable and workforce housing communities nationwide.

At each location, a Project Access Resource Center is embedded in the apartment complex to implement programs and services addressed to meet the individual and community needs of its residents. This year Project Access anticipates serving over 27,500 individuals across the country to help to keep family members employed, children in school, and seniors active.

In 2021, over 350 West Coast University students were assigned to commit 31,500 hours of Health Promotion across 16 different Project Access Resource Centers in Orange County. With the help of West Coast University students, over 3,108 Orange County residents of Project Access communities were served health and wellness services in 2021. Project Access annually serves over 5,250 residents from 16 different communities throughout Orange County.

[OneOC](#) (Volunteer Center of Orange County) helps Orange County's nonprofits become as efficient and effective as they are passionate about their missions. Its services are fully integrated and strengthened through partnerships with other local service providers. Together, they work to accelerate the success of Orange County nonprofits, enabling them to reach their full potential.

ABOUT PROJECT ACCESS

Project Access is based in Orange, California, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. It operates Family and Senior Resource Centers in over 80 affordable and workforce housing communities nationwide. Residents receive vital on-site health, education, and employment services to cultivate strong communities, positive changes, and hopeful futures. Since the first Project Access Resource Center opened in Santa Ana, California, in 1999, it has grown exponentially, and this year anticipates serving over 27,500 individuals across the country. More information about Project Access is available at www.project-access.org.

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ABOUT WEST COAST UNIVERSITY

For over 100 years, West Coast University has been educating and preparing students for professional careers across our six campuses in Southern California, Dallas, Miami, and Online. As part of our unique student-centric approach to advanced healthcare education, you will be empowering future healthcare professionals. At West Coast University, our students are Ahead of the Curve. Our Mission is to embrace a student-centric learning partnership that leads to professional success. We deliver transformational education within a culture of integrity and personal accountability. More information about Project Access is available at www.westcoastuniversity.edu/.

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