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**UCP NAMES 2018 HUMANITARIAN OF THE YEAR**  
**Annual event to raise funds for people with**  
**developmental disabilities**

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SACRAMENTO – Ann Madden Rice, CEO of UC Davis Medical Center, has been named as the 25<sup>th</sup> annual UCP Humanitarian of the Year, recognizing her years of service to the Sacramento region as the leader of the nation's leading academic medical center. The UCP Humanitarian of the Year Award is Sacramento's premier humanitarian award given to individuals who have displayed a passion for our region and a desire to work toward enhancing the lives of others.

Rice will be officially honored at The Foundation for UCP of Sacramento and Northern California's 25th Annual UCP Humanitarian of the Year Award Dinner on May 17, 2018, from 5:30 - 9 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Sacramento. The event is UCP's largest fundraiser of the year and supports programs which empower people with developmental disabilities.

"Ann has proven herself a visionary and a leader, both in business and in our community," said Doug Bergman, President and CEO, UCP of Sacramento and Northern California. "Her passion for our region is obvious to anyone who knows her and we are honored to name her the 2018 Humanitarian of the Year."

As a CEO with more than 8,000 employees and an annual budget of more than \$2 billion, Rice oversees a hospital that was ranked No. 1 in the Sacramento metropolitan area and fifth in California by *U.S. News & World Report* for 2017-2018. Maintaining a top-ranked hospital reflects Rice's commitment to the outstanding patient care that UC Davis clinical teams continuously provide at the medical center.

"The mission of UCP—helping people live life without limits—certainly complements the work we do at UC Davis Medical Center," said Rice. "I know we are all dedicated to supporting and improving this wonderful community."

More than 300 people are expected to attend Sacramento's premier humanitarian event, which has raised more than \$2.5 million for local children, adults, and families with developmental disabilities. Last year's event raised \$325,000.00 through ticket sales, sponsorships, Fund-A-Success donations and live and silent auctions.

For tickets or sponsorship opportunities, contact Stephen Horton at [shorton@ucpsacto.org](mailto:shorton@ucpsacto.org) (916) 283-8312.

Each month, **UCP of Sacramento and Northern California** serves 5,730 children and adults with developmental disabilities and their families in Butte, El Dorado, Nevada, Placer, Sacramento, Shasta, Sutter and Yolo counties. Programs include the Saddle Pals adaptive horseback riding program, UCP's Autism Center for Excellence at Sacramento State, adult day programs, independent living services, transportation and in-home respite care for families. For more information about the organization, visit [www.ucpsacto.org](http://www.ucpsacto.org).

**UC Davis Medical Center** is a comprehensive academic medical center where clinical practice, teaching and research converge to advance human health. Centers of excellence include the National Cancer Institute-designated UC Davis Comprehensive Cancer Center; the region's only Level 1 pediatric and adult trauma centers; the UC Davis MIND Institute, devoted to finding treatments and cures for neurodevelopmental disorders; and the UC Davis Children's Hospital. The medical center serves a 33-county, 65,000-square-mile area that stretches north to the Oregon border and east to Nevada. It further extends its reach through its award-winning telemedicine program, which gives remote, medically underserved communities throughout California unprecedented access to specialty and subspecialty care. For more information, [visit the UC Davis Medical Center website.](#)

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