



ShePower 2017 Woman of The Year Award Honoree

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CHRISTY PORTER was recently named "Ambassador" for the Division of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology at Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The hospital was named by U.S. News and World Report as one of the "Best Hospitals for Pediatric Cancer". The Division of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology provides diagnosis, treatment and complete follow-up for children, adolescents, and young adults with hematologic and oncologic disorders. Christy Porter will be working with the hospital to raise community awareness around the issue of childhood cancer and in cooperation with other civic leaders, bring attention to the unique needs of children and their families impacted by this disease.

As Bakersfield College turned 100 year in 2013, they celebrated years of accomplishment and impact. One way that they celebrated was to recognize 100 alumni, retirees, or community members who had a great impact on Bakersfield College as "Our Bakersfield College 100 Stars". Christy was included as one of the 100 Stars Alumna for her civic work on behalf of Bakersfield College!

Christy Porter's accolades also include being recognized multiple times as one of our Small Business Leaders of the Year for her accomplishments in the area of business development and special education. She is also a past recipient of the "Women with A Heart" Award for her prevention work for women's health.

Christy Porter develops and administers programs that meet a broad spectrum of civic, educational and social advocacy needs. As Founder and President of The Jasmine Nyree Center's Inc., she administers a franchise of privately owned child and young adult special needs after-school facilities in Kern County. Focusing on social skills training, these programs work to assist consumers in reaching individualized goals as they pertain to pro-social skill attainment. Through social skills training, the programs seek to improve specific skills like social initiation, communication, reciprocal interaction and establishing and maintaining social relationships. Christy works collaboratively with an assortment of agencies and community self-help groups to implement and monitor the efficacy of special needs programs across the county.

Vice President, Patricia Jean Foundation. This endowment pays tribute to my Mother's life service to women & children and the philosophy of community service. The Patricia Jean scholarship has provided in its first year twenty eight thousand dollars in financial assistance to fifteen deserving students with financial needs who demonstrate a commitment to community service & volunteerism



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