

Dear Ms. Jayna Burtis,

As a member of the Community Health and Senior Services Commission (CHSSC), I would like to nominate Jeffrey Blum for the 2025 Senior of Distinction Award sponsored by the Terraces of Los Gatos.

Although a relatively new resident of Los Gatos, Jeff immediately began to build on his long history of community involvement which started while a 30+ year resident of Palo Alto.

Jeff has been Chair and Vice Chair of the Community Health and Senior Services Commission and is currently serving his second term. The CHSSC has been delegated by the Los Gatos Town Council to oversee the implementation of the Senior Services Roadmap. In that capacity, Jeff has made major contributions to Mental Health Efforts as well research on the development of metrics to assess the effectiveness and efficiencies of service providers.

Jeff is a lawyer and a highly trained and experienced mediator! He has frequently volunteered his services to resolve local issues and also brings those skills to local community groups' decision making.

Jeff is an active member of the noon time Rotary Club of Los Gatos. He has taken on leadership roles and served as both the Director of the Los Gatos Rotary and Co-Chair of the Rotary Community Services. He has been actively involved in the highly successful last two blood drives sponsored by the Rotary.

Jeff is also a member of Los Gatos Thrives, a recently formed 501c3 foundation. The Los Gatos Thrives Foundation is dedicated to building a new Los Gatos Community Center for all ages. Jeff is actively serving on two committees dedicated to this cause.

Many people will recognize Jeff's name because he is a frequent contributor to the weekly Los Gatan. Many of his articles focus on the many positives of engagement in community events and awareness of all that is available locally to residents.

In conclusion, Jeff has proven himself to be a valuable asset to Los Gatos through his own participation in many community organizations and events. He is very deserving of being recognized as a 2025 Senior of Distinction.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Konrad  
CHSSC Commissioner