



Fighting Hunger. Giving Hope.

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**FOODBANK HONORS MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENT,  
TIM LAPPEN WITH "FIGHTING HUNGER, GIVING HOPE AWARD"**

**Los Angeles, CA. December 2007** – This year's *Season For Sharing* awards took place at the Wilshire Grand Hotel on Tuesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. The event marked its fifth year by honoring some outstanding community-minded individuals, including this year's *Fighting Hunger, Giving Hope Award* recipient, Timothy Lappen. The *Fighting Hunger, Giving Hope Award* was given to Mr. Lappen for his 20-year commitment to the cause of raising awareness of the Foodbank.

Mr. Lappen has served in many roles for the Foodbank including Board President, founder of "Lawyers Against Hunger," Chairman of "Friends of the Foodbank" and continues his commitment today in his role as Chairman of the Foodbank's Advisory Board.

Mr. Lappen has generously given his time, counsel and financial support to the Foodbank for the past 20 years. He also has introduced many friends, colleagues and associates to the Foodbank who subsequently have followed his leadership in contributing to fight hunger in our community.

Mr. Lappen is a native of Los Angeles (as is his mother and was his grandmother). After graduating from U.C. Berkeley, he attended U.C.L.A. Law School. Following two years at a major San Francisco firm, Mr. Lappen and his brother founded the law firm of Lappen and Lappen in Century City. Then, in 1984, Mr. Lappen joined his current firm, Jeffer, Mangels, Butler & Marmaro LLP, where he is a partner and Founder and Chairman of the firm's Family Office Group. Mr. Lappen originated the concept of a full-service legal team representing high-net-worth clients and the Group has been a tremendous success, representing individuals, their families and their businesses with whatever legal needs they have, anywhere in the world.

Mr. Lappen has been recognized by a number of well-regarded groups, including being designated as a "Super Lawyer" by his peers (2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008) and recently was named by **Worth** magazine as one of the top 100 attorneys in America (an award granted only after extensive due diligence, including interviews with Tim's clients and other lawyers in the community). Tim also is a sought-after speaker, being among the few who have been repeat invitees to speak at the Milken Institute Global Conference (2005, 2006 and 2007) and the Institutional Investor - Lido Consulting Family Office Wealth Conference (2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007).

Tim has been involved with the Los Angeles Regional Foodbank since 1988. He also has been involved for a similarly long time with the Center for Childhood (a charity founded by his mother, Jon), which runs a number of programs in Los Angeles, primarily for teenage mothers and others who are underserved by our community, with the primary goal being to enhance the lives of children ([www.4cfc.org](http://www.4cfc.org)). (more)

Tim Lappen and his wife, Gail, live in Manhattan Beach. They enjoy spending time together and traveling. Tim, an avid motorcyclist since his teen years, regularly travels by motorcycle around the Western United States, raising money for the California Highway Patrol's "1199 Foundation" and the St. Francis Medical Center. Tim and Gail also spend as much time as they can with their five children and their five grandchildren, all of whom live locally.

The **Los Angeles Regional Foodbank** ([www.lafoodbank.org](http://www.lafoodbank.org)) is a non-profit, charitable organization established in 1973 and is one of the largest food banks in the United States. Through a network of nearly 900 charitable agency sites, the Foodbank typically distributes over 35 million pounds of food yearly and supplies enough food for over 560,000 meals each week in Los Angeles County. The Foodbank is affiliated with America's Second Harvest, the Nation's Food Bank Network.

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**Photo Caption:** Tim Lappen (left) was presented with the Los Angeles Regional Foodbank's "Fighting Hunger, Giving Hope" award by Jamie McCourt, Vice President of the Los Angeles Dodgers and Matt Toledo, Publisher of the Los Angeles Business Journal (right) at the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual 'A Season for Sharing' luncheon.

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