

# **Council Member Mansoor named Ambassador to this year's Tour de OC bike ride**

Council Member Allan Mansoor has been named the Ambassador to this year's Tour de OC Bike-a-Thon and will be hosting the Opening Ceremony of the event on Saturday April 27 at the race's starting line at Vanguard University.

The Tour de OC is run by a group of volunteers who are raising awareness and funds to send abused and neglected foster children to a weeklong camp in the San Bernardino Mountains and provide them with a year-long Mentorship Program. The event is held in April, which is National Child Awareness month.

"It is my honor and pleasure to be the Ambassador for this event," Council Member Mansoor said. "As a father, I know how important it is for children to have a loving and stable household and I am grateful to the Tour de OC volunteers and participants who do so much for the many foster children in need of our help."



Registration is still open for the bike ride through Orange County or to sponsor a rider <http://TourdeOC.org>. Being a 100% volunteer organization, 100% of the proceeds donated will be applied to the charity.

Tour de OC's Metric Century (62 miles) with relentless hills including Santiago Canyon and Newport Coast, with lots of rolling hills through south Orange County has over 3,000 feet of vertical gain and has a five-star rating according to the Bicycle Rider Directors Association of America (BRDAA). There will also be a Family Fun 25-mile route.

Check in begins at 6:00 a.m. on Saturday.

The 62-mile race starts at 7 a.m. and the 25-mile Family Run begins at 7:30 a.m. Both start and finish at Vanguard University. Both routes take riders on a scenic tour through Orange County.

Tour de OC sponsors include The Promise Child, South Coast Toyota, Rack N Road, Two Wheels, One Planet, Crown Plaza Hotel, The Unlikely Cyclist, Newport Rib Company, Flightdeck, Simple Green, MedPost Urgent Care, Farthing Development, Surfside Sports, El Ranchito Restaurants, Davey's Locker,

Shirley's Bagels, Wingnuts, Hanks Electric, Ganahl Lumber, Pasta Connection, BJ's Restaurants, El Matador, MARC Chick-fil-A, Newport Mesa Church and OCTA.