



DJ King, Kathleen Strauss and Krista Clive-Smith at Planned Parenthood's May 8 fundraiser.

## **Planned Parenthood Gala Raises More than \$1.1 Million**

Planned Parenthood of the Pacific Southwest's May 8 "Main Event" fundraiser raised more than \$1.1 million to support the services it provides in San Diego, Riverside and Imperial counties, the agency announced.

The fundraising event, which featured a boxing ring format, raised money that will go toward several services, including cervical cancer screening, emergency contraception, HIV testing and counseling, breast exams, STD testing and treatment and pregnancy termination.



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Ellen and David Dolgen co-chaired the event. Ellen Dolgen described how she became involved with the organization and joined its board. "David and I are committed to ensuring that all women and men are able to choose what is best for their health, be treated with compassion, dignity, respect and receive the health care they need and deserve," she said.

"We fight at the ballot box with facts and compassion," said David.

Board Chair R. Elaine Hanson, M.D. thanked all the donors for "being in the ring with Planned Parenthood." She and her family gave a \$51,000 matching gift to kick off the Gift Challenge.

"No one does more to prevent abortion than Planned Parenthood," said David Dolgen. "Those who hold a sincere desire to reduce the rate of abortion in this country should lend their support to Planned Parenthood rather than fighting against us."

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