

# CHINATOWN COMMUNITY CHILDREN'S CENTER UPDATE

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## ABC 7'S KRISTEN SZE SALUTES CCCC AND OUR FAMILIES

ABC 7/KGO-TV's Kristen Sze featured CCCC in a "ABC 7 Salutes" evening news piece that aired over the weekend.

Sze introduced viewers to the center, describing CCCC as more than "an ordinary preschool" due to our bilingual and bi-cultural focus, and our mission to help immigrant families adapt to their new lives in the United States.

The story profiled several students, including five-year old Ken-Ken Ha, who was referred to a sign-language program by CCCC staff. Ken-Ken had arrived at the center unable to communicate. His mother, Anna Ha, explained how the CCCC experience strengthened her relationship with her son: "I'm learning [a] new language from him. That's pretty amazing."



**Sze (center) interviewing CCCC Executive Director Lawland Long**

Sze also interviewed longtime CCCC supporter and former SFPD chief Fred Lau. Lau first became familiar with CCCC in the 1970s as a beat officer in Chinatown. Now Oakland Airport's Federal Security Director, as well as the father of 3 sons, Lau is actively involved with CCCC and is an honorary chairman of our Spring Gala fundraiser event.

Sze will co-host this year's Spring Gala, to be held Thursday, March 29th, at Yank Sing restaurant, along with ABC 7 colleague Janelle Wang from the daytime talk show "The View from the Bay."

A video and transcript of the ABC 7 news story are available at [http://abclocal.go.com/kgo/story?section=abc7\\_salutes&id=5145263](http://abclocal.go.com/kgo/story?section=abc7_salutes&id=5145263).

For more information about CCCC and the Spring Gala, please visit <http://www.childrencenter.org>

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