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In the community, Kalpana is a member of the Orange County United Way Women's Philanthropy Fund and the Advisory Board of University of California Irvine's Center for Digital Transformation. She served on the board of Illumination Foundation and has been nominated for the Orange County Business Journal Women in Business Annual Award for several years. Kalpana received the ASCEND High Impact Leader award in 2016 and in 2017 The Los Angeles Business Journal named Kalpana to their 'Most Influential Women in Accounting list'.

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