

PACIFIC HOUSE

22ND ANNUAL GALA

An evening celebrating unity, progress, and the collective power to end homelessness.

OCTOBER 12, 2023



Honoring The Tate Family &
Stamford Rotary Trust Fund

FROM ROOTS TO ROOF:

A COMMUNITY
UNITED AGAINST
HOMELESSNESS

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Cocktail Hour: Mingle and enjoy passed hors d'oeuvres

Welcome & Opening Remarks:

- Mayor Caroline Simmons of Stamford
- Rafael Pagan, Jr., President & CEO
- Bill Montana, Chair, Board of Directors

Throughout The Evening:

- Honoring Community Champions: Celebrating The Tate Family and Stamford Rotary Trust Fund
- Client Stories: Hear firsthand testimonials and journey stories
- Pacific House Vision: A shift from Roots to Roof, from shelter to housing first philosophy
- Paddle Raise: Contributions to build our legacy
- Live Auction: Exciting chances to contribute to our mission and win a great experience

WELCOME

President & CEO, Rafael Pagan, Jr. & Board Chair, Bill Montana

Dear Friends and Supporters,

As we gather for our annual fundraising celebration, it's a momentous occasion to reflect upon the collective strides we've taken toward ending homelessness in Fairfield County. This year's theme, **From Roots to Roof: A Community United Against Homelessness**, aptly encapsulates our transformative journey. We've evolved from a men's-only shelter to an all-encompassing haven, providing housing and crucial support services for men, women, and families.

We've learned that homelessness is not just an individual struggle; it's a challenge that ripples across families, communities, and society. With your steadfast support, we're not merely aiding one person but uplifting a connected network of lives.

Our core pillars remain the same:

Community Support: Our Meal-a-Month Program, Baskets of Hope, and generous grants from local funders continue to play an indispensable role in our mission.

Compassion: From staff to volunteers, the empathy extended to our clientele remains unparalleled, making Pacific House a sanctuary for those in need.

Mission: In keeping with our housing first philosophy, we're excited to share the development of new permanent, affordable, supportive housing sites that align perfectly with our overarching mission.

ROOTS TO ROOF, FROM SHELTER TO HOUSING-FIRST PHILOSOPHY

We are exceptionally proud to honor two remarkable contributors this year: The Tate Family, our distinguished Honoree, and the Stamford Rotary Trust Fund, our esteemed Housing Champion. Both exemplify the essence of community—commitment, compassion, and action.

So, please join us for an evening of inspiration, unity, and hope. Let's amplify the collective power of a community wholly committed to ending homelessness.

Thank you for being a cornerstone of this incredible journey. Your support has made and will continue to make, a lasting impact on countless lives.

Sincerely,



Rafael Pagan, Jr. *Bill Montana*

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2023 HONOREE THE TATE FAMILY

A Legacy of Compassion and Community Engagement

The Tate Family, our distinguished honorees for this evening, embody what it means to be pillars of support for Pacific House. Their unwavering commitment and active community involvement have spanned decades, seeing us through both triumphs and challenges.

An Enduring Connection

Chris Tate, former Chair of our Board of Directors, fondly remembers his earliest encounters with Pacific House as a high schooler. He was part of a church group that served meals at the facility, a moment that left an indelible impression on him.

"My earliest recollection of Pacific House starts in high school when I was 16. The church I attended in New Canaan served meals at the shelter." Chris Tate



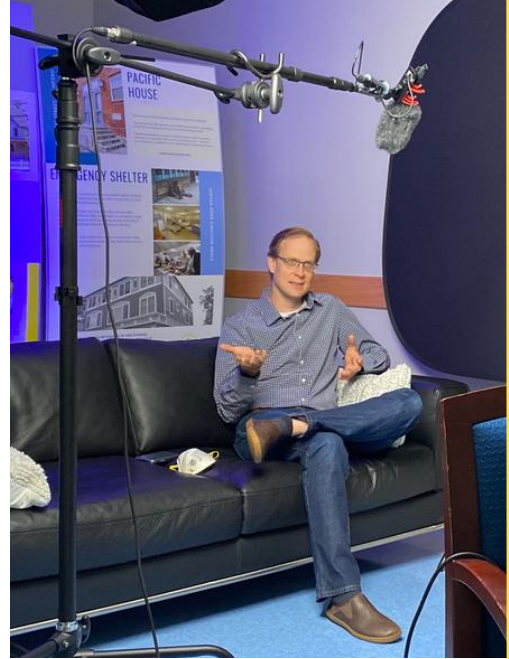
Family as a Force for Good

Although Chris serves as a visible leader within our organization, it is clear that the spirit of community involvement runs deep within the entire Tate Family. Their enduring power of commitment hasn't only been monetary but in heartfelt, hands-on engagement.

A Philosophy of Sustained Commitment

The Tate Family's support goes beyond one-time contributions; they believe in fostering enduring partnerships that fuel ongoing missions. They understand that it takes more than a single donation to power through challenges; it's about sustaining momentum with communities and causes that matter.

The Tate Family champions the idea that genuine commitment to an organization requires consistent, meaningful engagement. They recognize that real impact is a journey, not a moment.



An Inspiring Journey

The Tate Family's relationship with Pacific House has come full circle, evolving from occasional volunteers to esteemed benefactors and leaders. As we celebrate tonight, we express our deepest gratitude to the Tate Family for their countless contributions. They serve as a testament to our unwavering dedication to providing affordable, permanent housing and essential supportive services for our community.

“My wish for Pacific House for the next 35 years is that we are able to continue to take the sort of intelligent risks that we've taken to continue to increase our stock of deeply affordable housing over the years.

Chris Tate



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Justin and Marie Maccarone

2023 Housing Champions

Celebrating the Stamford Rotary Trust Fund and Their Unwavering Support

At Pacific House, we believe ending homelessness takes a collective effort. That's never been more evident than our vital partnership with the Stamford Rotary Trust Fund, which lives by its motto, '**Service Above Self.**' Today, we celebrate them as our esteemed Housing Champions.

Their generous \$1 million grant donation amplifies our impact and fuels our upcoming Rotary Commons, a 39-unit affordable housing development. These funds aren't just a financial gift; they're an investment in hope and stability for the residents of Fairfield County.



Beyond financial aid, the Stamford Rotary Trust Fund's influence elevates our mission, aiding us in providing homes where dignity and opportunity are the norms. This partnership brings us closer to a world where emergency shelters are a thing of the past, replaced by permanent, stable housing.

As we honor our progress and look ahead, our deepest gratitude goes to the Stamford Rotary Trust Fund. Their extraordinary support energizes us, enhancing our shared vision for a more secure community.



Thank you, Stamford Rotary Trust Fund, for standing with us to end homelessness in Fairfield County.

A Special Thank You to Our Dedicated Staff



At the heart of Pacific House's ability to transform lives lies an extraordinary team of compassionate individuals. Every one of you plays a crucial role in our mission to end homelessness in Fairfield County, and your tireless efforts have not gone unnoticed.

Your contributions are invaluable, from those who manage our emergency shelters to those who facilitate our transition to a housing first philosophy. You are the faces that greet every person who walks through our doors, seeking hope and a future. You are the hands that create the foundation of every home we build, literally and metaphorically.

Your compassionate, attentive support and unwavering dedication make our vision a reality daily. Because of you, Pacific House is more than just a shelter or a housing provider. It is a sanctuary where dignity, security, and opportunity flourish, allowing our residents to find stability, regain self-respect, and rebuild their lives.

So, from the bottom of our hearts, thank you for your commitment to our mission. Your work does not just change lives; it changes the narrative of what is possible for our community. Here's to you, the true heroes behind the scenes, who make everything we do at Pacific House possible.





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OUR MISSION

TO PREVENT AND END HOMELESSNESS

CORE VALUES

Commitment: This value reflects Pacific House's four decades of dedication in Fairfield County. The organization continually evolves its services to meet the needs of the homeless population, making commitment an intrinsic part of its mission.

Compassion: A deep-rooted sense of compassion lies at the heart of Pacific House. The organization goes beyond providing housing to offer dignity and respect to each individual, recognizing them as more than their current circumstances.

Empowerment: As Pacific House has evolved its model to include long-term solutions through permanent housing, empowerment has become a focal point. The aim is not just to provide immediate shelter but to give individuals the tools they need for a more stable, self-sufficient future.

Community: Pacific House's active involvement in affordable housing development and its broader commitment to serving families indicates a focus on strengthening community ties. Building a sense of community contributes to the sustainability of the transition from homelessness to stable housing.

Accountability: Being accountable to donors, stakeholders, and, most importantly, the people served is a core value that helps maintain trust. This ensures that resources are allocated where they are most needed and used effectively.

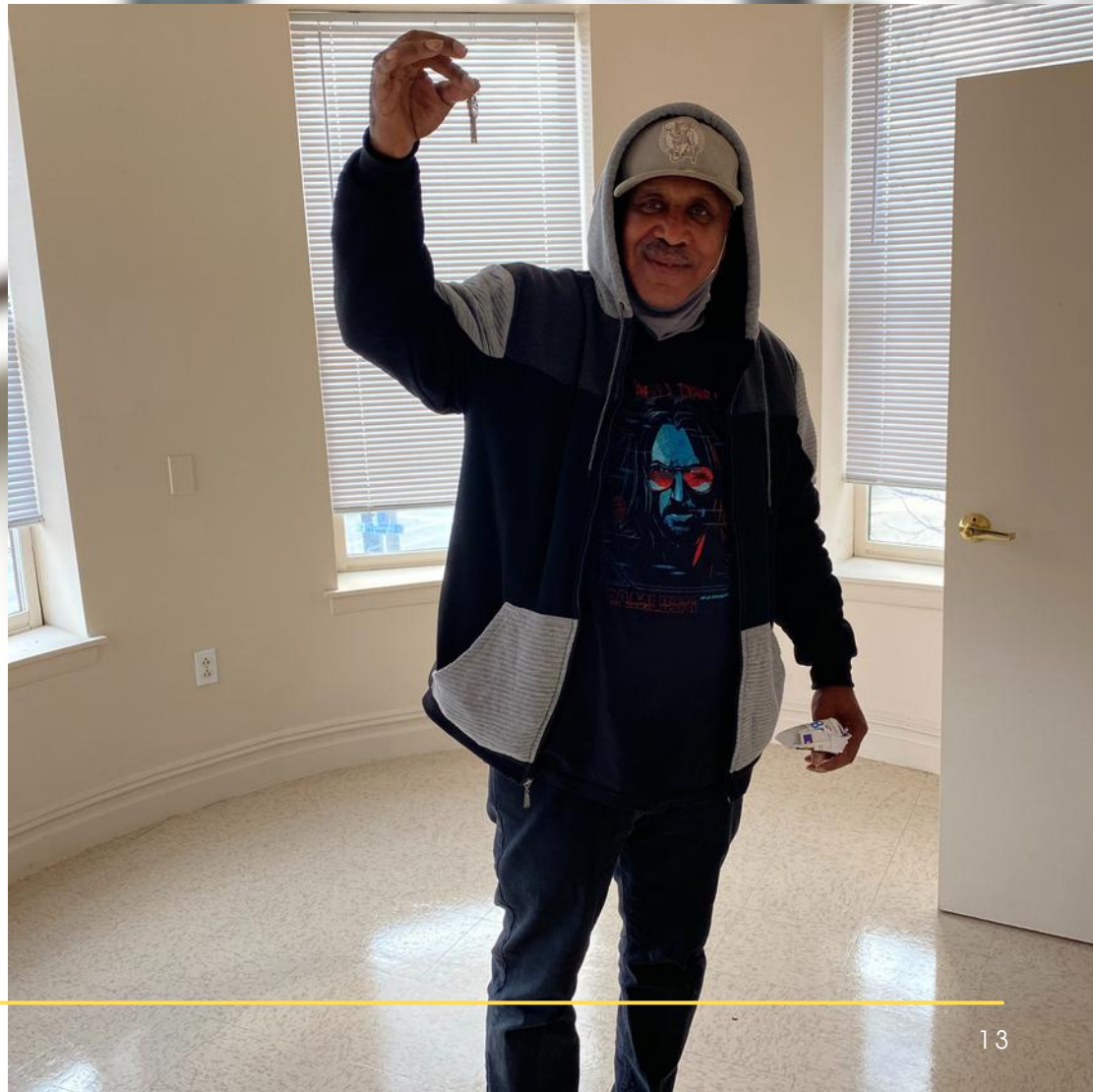
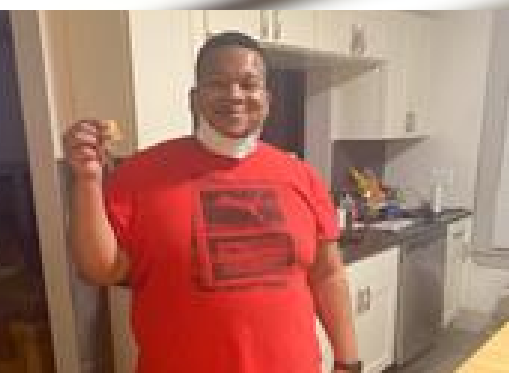


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We initially launched as a 67-bed men's shelter in Stamford four decades ago, but we took a more proactive than reactive approach to homelessness in 2007. We started looking at this issue through a different lens. Rather than concentrating on emergency shelters, we wanted to be more about permanent solutions. So we embarked on a new mission in the years that followed and prioritized the development of housing specifically designed to assist the homeless community.

We now have 14 homes that provide housing for over 140 individuals and families.



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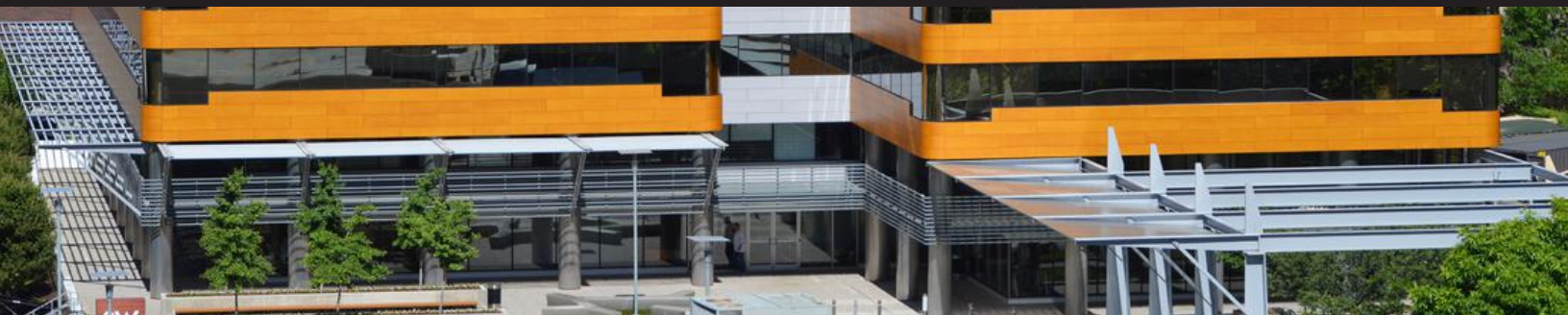
From providing emergency shelters to crafting lifelong homes, we are honored to sponsor Pacific House's transformative efforts that truly make a difference in the Fairfield County community.

Laurie and Rafael Pagan, Jr.



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WHAT DOES YOUR DONATION FUND?

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Elevate a Journey: Your generous donation ensures that a formerly homeless individual will receive the continuous supportive services needed to thrive in our affordable housing. Be a cornerstone in someone's new life chapter.

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Beacon of Hope: Sponsor two transformative days at our emergency shelter. Your support provides meals and vital programs and rekindles hope for men and young adults facing homelessness.

\$5,000

A Day of Renewal: Adopt a day at our shelter and provide the essentials of life: meals, showers, and clean clothing. Become the heartbeat of compassionate care for up to 80 guests, fostering a safe environment for those in need.

\$2,500

A Fresh Start: Help our clients feel at home in their new apartments by providing essential items for a comfortable living space. You're turning a house into a home from kitchen basics to bedroom and bath necessities.

\$1,000

Nourishing Futures: Fund two hearty and nutritious dinner meals for shelter clients, fueling their resilience and aiding them on their path to independence.

\$500

A Meal of Empowerment: Provide one nutritious dinner that serves as more than just a meal—it's a step toward stability and self-sufficiency for our shelter clients.

\$250

The Simple Things: Make a direct impact by offering everyday essentials that can make a world of difference. From haircuts and bus passes to a new pair of shoes, you're offering more than items—you're offering dignity.

\$100

Gateway Essentials: Contribute to the small yet significant items like haircuts and bus passes, paving the way for our clients to take the next step in their journey towards a better life.

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Meet Our Auction Maestro

Mattos Paschal is a Senior Sale Coordinator at Christie's Auction House, where she has managed many auctions such as The Collection of Pierre Durand and The Collection of André Leon Talley, among others. As a Charity Auctioneer she has raised funds for the Ackerman Institute for the Family, the Brooklyn Public Library, and Queens Community House, to name a few. Before working at Christie's, she received her Masters in Art from New York University and a Bachelor's in Art from Wake Forest University, both focusing on Contemporary Art. When not in New York, she calls Greenville, South Carolina home.

We are deeply grateful to Mattos for contributing her talents to elevate tonight's auction.

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Anonymous Board Member

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Steve Weisman, son, Joan Weisman

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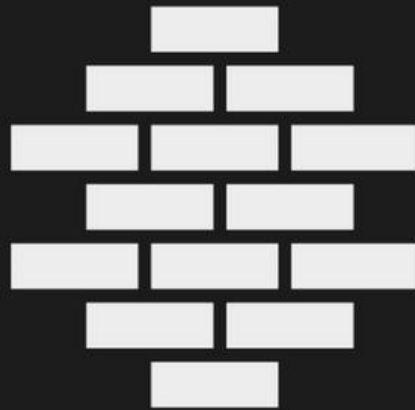
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I am happy to have been involved with Pacific House since their beginning, and proud to see the great work they do to provide housing in our community.

Jim Duffy

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Sally and Louis Arovas

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We are excited to support Pacific House as they elevate the promise of affordable, permanent housing for everyone in our community. Their approach is a game-changer for countless lives.

Eileen and Tom Hynes

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In gratitude for Pacific House's partnership in this year's Miles for a Mission road race and for the excellent work that Pacific House continues to do in Stamford providing emergency shelter and deeply affordable supportive housing, from the community at St. Francis Episcopal Church.

Mark Lingle



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The dedication of Pacific House to not just offer a bed, but to offer a pathway to stability, is both inspiring and transformative. I couldn't be prouder to sponsor such a groundbreaking organization.



Larry Kluetsch



We consider ourselves partners in Pacific House's vital mission. Together, we're laying the foundation for a brighter, more secure future for individuals and families in need.

Elena Kalman Design

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