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Community Housing Network raises $100,000 at annual event

Funds assist the Housing Resource Center

Troy, MI – Metro Detroit nonprofit Community Housing Network (CHN) raised more than $100,000 at its 13th annual fundraiser, now named Bring it Home, held October 10 at the Royal Park Hotel in Rochester. Money raised from the event will boost funding for the Housing Resource Center, (HRC) our one-stop shop connecting members of the community with information, referral and resources to all applicable programs and services that may benefit them, even beyond housing.

A highlight was the presentation of the third annual Emmett Jones Memorial Award to Felicia Jackson. The award is presented to a CHN program participant who has made great strides in reaching goals after being homeless. Ms. Jackson says housing made all the difference for her and her son, Maurice. The security of stable housing meant Ms. Jackson could fulfill her dream to return to school. This spring she graduated with a degree in nursing. Emmett Jones, who passed away in 2010, was a CHN employee whose passion was to help people who were chronically homeless.

The evening also included the Adopt A Family auction, where attendees placed bids to donate to CHN’s seasonal program that provides individuals and families with gifts and basic necessities during the holidays. Attorneys Title Agency provided an incentive match of $5,000. The final amount raised was nearly $20,000.

“We are extremely grateful for the support,” said Marc Craig, president of Community Housing Network. “With the foundational funding from our partners, and the backing of our generous donors, we will continue the valuable work of the HRC. Last year, the HRC fielded more than 14,000 phone calls from people who didn’t know where to turn next.”

The event saw a wealth of sponsors this year as well, including Leadership sponsor: West Construction Services; President’s Circle sponsors: Maplewood Development, O’Brien Construction Co., Inc., and Flagstar Bank; Benefactor sponsors: Perfect Floors, Inc., and Community Living Services.

Community Housing Network is a nonprofit organization committed to providing homes for people in need through proven strategies of homelessness prevention, housing assistance and development, community education and referral, advocacy and additional services. The organization carries out its work in Oakland, Macomb and Wayne counties. For more information, visit www.communityhousingnetwork.org.

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