Community Housing Network’s Bring it Home raises more than $119,000

Troy, MI – Nonprofit Community Housing Network (CHN) successfully raised more than $119,000 at Bring it Home, the annual signature event that serves as an opportunity for donors to see the work their donations provide and meet those who benefit from their generosity. The event, also a celebration of the nonprofit’s 15 years of service, was held October 13 at The Townsend Hotel, Birmingham.

The focus of this year’s event was the Critical Needs Fund, which helps conquer barriers not solved by traditional housing programs, such as security deposits, bus transportation to look for an apartment or simple furnishings and cleaning supplies for the new home. These barriers are often the only thing preventing a family or individual from securing successful, independent housing. 100% of the donations to this fund are used to provide for the unmet needs of the people served.

Bring it Home also included the presentation of the sixth annual Emmett Jones Memorial Award to Danny Chessor, a program participant whose life was changed through one of CHN’s programs. Chessor’s fall from a roof while helping a friend, left him disabled, jobless after 30 years at Chrysler, and medical bills took his savings. Homeless, he turned to Hope Warming Center and was able to find housing through CHN. Chessor recently celebrated his first year of sobriety and now is a mentor at Aftershock, a program for other men working toward a self-sustaining independent lifestyle.

This year’s Leadership Sponsor is O’Brien Construction Company, Inc. and the President’s Circle sponsors are Maplewood Development and Flagstar Bank.

*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. Each year since 2014 it was recognized by the Detroit Free Press as a Top 100 Workplace and in 2012, 2014 and 2016 honored as a Crain’s Cool Place to Work. For more information, visit [www.communityhousingnetwork.org](http://www.communityhousingnetwork.org).*