

Pacific House Homeless Shelter Holds FREE Virtual Gala This Saturday, Oct 16

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For 35 years Pacific House has worked to end homelessness in Fairfield County, and the organization is throwing a virtual gala on Oct. 16 to celebrate.

The community is invited to the FREE, online event hosted by Rep. Matt Blumenthal, and will feature moving stories of hope and shining examples of the significant impact that Pacific House has had on our community for more than three decades.

Pacific House

Intertwined with the growth of Stamford, Greenwich, Darien and New Canaan, Pacific House, based in Stamford, developed from a makeshift basement shelter in 1982 to address a growing homelessness issue, to a leader in ending homelessness in our region.

Today the organization provides the only regional shelter for men and young adult men in lower Fairfield County and helps to house hundreds of neighbors in need each year.

The emergency shelter hosts 60 to 85 men and young adults each night, but often serves 100 or more during winter months. Critical, life-changing services are also provided, such as case management, recovery programming, healthcare, workforce development and outreach.

The organization also owns and operates 14 supportive housing properties, providing deeply affordable

housing space for 125 formerly homeless individuals. Pacific House also steps in to help those teetering on the brink of losing their housing to prevent them from sliding into homelessness.

The Gala

The exciting virtual gala program will celebrate the organization's impact on our community, its rich history and provide a sneak preview of what is planned.

It will also celebrate the vital part community support has played in helping to end homelessness. Rep. Matt Blumenthal will host the event, with a special guest appearance from Senator Richard Blumenthal.

“Our community has played a pivotal role in helping us achieve these great successes and we invite everyone to join in the celebration. The free event will be a moment to commemorate all that we have achieved together, and takes place right from the comfort of your own home” said Rafael Pagan, Jr., Executive Director of Pacific House.

To learn more or register for the Pacific House 19th Annual Virtual Gala, which takes place on Friday, Oct. 16 from 6 to 7:30 p.m., visit www.PacificHouse.org/gala and sponsorships are still available. A wine, cocktail and snack package is also available for order to enjoy during the show.

Pacific House would like to thank its generous current sponsors: Coldwell Banker Global Luxury; First County Bank; J. Forrest Development; Neilsen Florist and Garden Shop; Stamford Health; Webster Bank, N.A.; Tradition Energy; and The Vranos Family Foundation.