

Thank you for helping to end homelessness!



Columbus House October E-News

Advanced Tickets - Half Off this Weekend Only!

In honor of National Chocolate Day, you can get half-priced tickets to Chocolate to the Rescue! You are what you eat - so eat and be sweet! Chocolate to the Rescue gives you the opportunity to enjoy the region's finest chocolates while benefiting the Middlesex Family Shelter. This year-round program provides safe, dignified shelter and case management for up to 50 families per year, with over 150 children. Visit

www.columbushouse.org/chocolate this weekend only and purchase your ticket (and some for your friends!) for just \$17.50 each.

Remember, tickets to Chocolate to the Rescue make great gifts!



Calling All Volunteers... Calling All Cooks!

Our Wallingford Emergency Shelter and Men's Seasonal Overflow Shelter will open on November 15, 2017. We need volunteers to cook nightly meals for 17 individuals who will stay at the Wallingford Emergency Shelter this winter. Can you help? Please call Sheree at (203) 401-4400, ext.138 or sdimario@columbushouse.org for more details. Thank you!



Volunteer cooks needed!

First Home in HOMELESS:HOUSED

The first of five homes in the HOMELESS:HOUSED collaboration between Yale School of Architecture and Columbus House is almost complete! The two-unit home will soon welcome its first family and individual residents. Mayor Toni Harp, Yale President Peter Salovey, Dean Deborah Berke, Yale School of Architecture students, and supporters of Columbus House celebrated at the new home on Adeline Street on October 2. Alison Cunningham, Chief Executive Officer of Columbus House, expressed heartfelt thanks and gratitude to everyone who participated. She summed up the project by stating, "This house makes the dreams of the people who are homeless come true."



[Take a virtual tour of the first house with Alison, see where a small family and adult will call home, and learn more about this innovative project!](#)

Results of the \$20K Contest

We did not win the \$20K prize from Liberty Bank Foundation - but thanks to everyone who cast a vote, Columbus House received the second highest vote total of all nine organizations in the final round of competition - 3,661 votes to be exact! And, the [HOMELESS:HOUSED video](#) reached over 5,000 people on Facebook alone. Your efforts have helped raise awareness and funds for our work to end homelessness, and we are thankful for your participation!



New Supportive Housing for Veterans

A new construction project in Hamden will contain 77 affordable housing units, of which at least five will be designated as Supportive Housing for Veterans. Columbus House will provide case management services to the Veterans who will live in the residence on Mather Street. Alison Cunningham, CEO of Columbus House, attended a groundbreaking ceremony for Hamden Specialty Housing on Monday, September 18; the construction is scheduled for completion by early summer 2018. We look forward to assisting more Veterans and supporting the residents of Hamden!



Housewarmings



Thanks to your support, every month Columbus House places families, Veterans and single adults into permanent, supportive housing. When they begin this new phase in life, they receive a Welcome Kit - basic household necessities, such as cleaning items, beds and linens - to help them make their house a home. Most have limited incomes. Welcome Kits make a big impact.

[Learn more about this thoughtful program](#)

The Way Home

The newest edition of *The Way Home*, Columbus House's newsletter, is now available to peruse on our website. Read about Andrew, a Veteran you helped get back on his feet; Jamie, a mindful donor; and more!

[Click to read our fall newsletter!](#)



Mark your calendar for these exciting events!

November 6, 2017 - Campaign Day
hosted by the Community Foundation of Greater New Haven

November 28, 2017 - Giving Tuesday

December 7, 2017 - Annual Meeting
New Haven Lawn Club, 7:30-9:00 AM

March 18, 2018 - Chocolate to the Rescue!
Inn at Middletown, 1:00-4:00 PM

April 28, 2018 - Rock to Rock
Cycling fundraiser

[Click to learn more!](#)



Many thanks to our partners in ending homelessness

The Archbishops Annual Appeal Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Hartford

Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage Cares Foundation

The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven (Renee B. Fisher Foundation)

Eder Family Foundation

GE Foundation

Helping Hands Community Thrift Store & Furniture Bank

Looking to do a Drive?

Get your friends, family, and colleagues together for fun fundraising by holding a "drive" for Columbus House. You can help by making [Welcome Kits](#) for those entering permanent, supportive housing. Or you can collect items from our [Wish List](#) - basic necessities for clients in our shelter - of which we are always in need.

Please remember to give us a ring before your bring!

Questions and donation delivery times should be directed to sdimario@columbushouse.org or (203) 401-4400, ext.138, before arriving with donations. We would also like to hear from you if you are interested in running a drive.



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