

## **6TH ANNUAL FUNDRAISER**

SVRC Marketplace
Thursday, October 6, 2022



We water the seed of inner strength in women experiencing homelessness so they can make a better life for themselves and their children.

# Welcome



Welcome to our 6th Annual Sowing Seeds of Hope Fundraiser—we are so glad you're here! Whether this is your first "Sowing Seeds" experience or your sixth, we are **truly blessed** by your presence here tonight at the SVRC Marketplace.

We are especially thrilled to have you with us this evening as we celebrate the inaugural year of the Mustard Seed Shelter Volunteer Awards & Recognition program. Since our beginning in 1995, volunteers have been at the **heart** of Mustard Seed's mission. Mustard Seed would not be the organization that it is today without the dedication of countless, mission-driven, individuals who truly care about those we serve. The groups and individuals being honored tonight have stood out as "bringers of hope" to those we serve and among each other. We are grateful for all they have done and we are also grateful for the hard work and dedication of each of you sitting in this room this evening. **THANK YOU!** 

As the evening unfolds, you'll have opportunities to support us financially to allow us to continue our mission. Your generosity will be transformed into resources used to serve those who find a temporary home in our shelter. You are helping sow seeds of hope for a better tomorrow.

Thank you for your part in making Mustard Seed Shelter what it is today and for making it possible for us to continue to serve our GREAT Saginaw community.

In God's peace and love,

Amy Bartels Roe

Executive Director

# **Program**

Eat, Drink, Mingle & Shop 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Ticket Auction Closes 7:30 pm

Welcome and update 7:45 pm

Bill Hartl, Board President

Volunteer Awards
Amy Bartels-Roe, Executive Director &
Mustard Seed Board Members

#### Leona Sullivan: Leona Sullivan Cultivating Spirit Award

Radical hospitality is at the core of Mustard Seed Shelter and our cofounder Leona Sullivan. This annual award is given to an **Individual** who models Leona's spirit of welcome and grace, carrying out the mission of Mustard Seed in an extraordinary way.

#### **Group: Beautiful Bouquet Award**

This award is given to a **group** that has come to together to make a difference in the lives of those served through Mustard Seed Shelter in an extraordinary way. Their "beautiful bouquet" of caring hearts and combined efforts have made a significant impact.

### Partner Nonprofit: Growing Side-by-Side Award

This award is given to a Great Lakes Bay Region **nonprofit partner** organization that works alongside Mustard Seed Shelter to cultivate healthy growth in those we serve through education, mental and physical health support and/or spiritual well-being.

#### **Corporate Sponsor: Growth Through Giving Corporate Sponsor Award**

This award is given to a **business or corporation** that demonstrates a shared vision to relieve poverty and distress by providing and/or supporting opportunities for education, upskilling and overall advancement of those served by Mustard Seed Shelter.

## Youth: The Mustard Seed Seedling of the Year

This award is given to a **youth** (18 years and younger) who has exemplified the nurturing spirit of Mustard Seed in their selfless service and acts of caring. While their service may have begun with a short-term project or by fulfilling Christian service hours, Seedlings demonstrate that they have embraced volunteering as a way of life.

## **Event Sponsors**

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#### **THANK YOU** to the following individuals and businesses:

Entertainment: Count N Change & Which DoctorsFloral Arrangements: Gaudreau The FloristTickets & Program: Reimold Printing CorporationVolunteer Awards: Created by Faith Nesbitt

**THANK YOU** to SVRC Marketplace and the following Vendors:

Big O Burgers & Barbeque

Cob King

Dawn of a New Day

Divine Taste of Chicago

El Farolito

Falafel Hut

Honey's Tasty Potatoes

Kreole Queenz

Makin' Bacon

Saigon Sandwich

The BoardRoom

Wildflour Bakery

#### **SPECIAL THANKS** to our Sowing Seeds of Hope Committee:

Laurie Shell Nancy Martin

Carrie O'Toole Vanessa Jones

Linda Doerr Alice Siler

Gabriella DeVries Trina Morrow

and other volunteers for making this event possible, including students from Saginaw Valley State University!

#### **Raffle Donors**

Thank you to the following donors for providing items for our raffles!!

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### **ENJOY YOUR EVENING!!**

Save the date for next year: October 5, 2023

## **Our Story**

Leona Sullivan, Rosalie Reigle and Jeannine Coallier met for over a year to discern how they would respond to their hearts' call to serve the poor by living in community with a house of hospitality. In 1995, they purchased a house and opened the doors of the Mustard Seed Shelter on the corner of Howard and Holland Streets where they began to serve homeless women and women with children. In 2002, with a desire to increase the number of women served, they decided to open a second house. The first house was renamed Jeannine Coallier house and moved Mustard Seed Shelter to its current location on Cherry Street. Now open for more than 27 years, our recently expanded and renovated home can provide shelter for up to 40 individuals at any given time -- more than double our previous capacity.

#### What We Do

Mustard Seed Shelter serves women and children who are experiencing homelessness by giving them a temporary home filled with love and support, while they work to resolve their crisis. During their time with us, we help them identify the areas of their lives on which to work, such as obtaining identification for each family member/individual, helping them navigate appropriate mainstream services to connect with medical care, psychological/psychiatric care, spiritual well-being, substance abuse treatment, and legal assistance, as well as working to remove barriers to permanent housing. We also work diligently to ensure that when our women and families leave, they have everything they need (such as household items, furniture and even some special touches) to make their house a home. We do this through a program called The Nest (Neighbors Enabling Success Together), which was begun by Mustard Seed and is now a collaboration with Saginaw's Partnership Center.

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