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We are proud to support Fulfill's mission, and we congratulate David Indursky, this year's honoree at the Fulfill Humanitarian Gala, which highlights the work of remarkable humanitarians, recognizing the individuals and businesses who have exhibited extraordinary loyalty and commitment to helping others.

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Dear Friends of Fulfill.

Tonight's gala is a celebration.

We celebrate the extraordinary accomplishments of our staff and volunteers. *Together, we have served an additional 1,000,000 meals since the pandemic struck through Emergency Food Kits and our Restaurant Partnership Program.* Fulfill's Team stepped up to meet the 40% spike in the demand for food - going from 0 to 60 in seconds. Neighbors suddenly desperate for help were able to feed themselves and their children because of our Team's hard work and dedication. I am in awe of their commitment.

During our "Shine Light on Hunger" 2020 Virtual Humanitarian Gala, we also celebrate an exemplary business leader who shares his success with the community he serves humbly and tirelessly. David Indursky, President of ENCON, inspires us all to be better and do more. That is why we have named him Fulfill's 2020 Humanitarian of the Year, I am honored to know him and call him a friend.

Finally, tonight we honor YOU. We could not sustain our efforts to feed our hungry neighbors, especially now, without your support. We recognize that this is not the gala with dancing and music we had all hoped for... but still, YOU continue to support our event, and more importantly, our mission. Your kindness and generosity allow us to move forward in the face of unprecedented challenges.

May you all have continued good health and stay safe.

My heartfelt gratitude,

Kim Guadagno
Fulfill CEO and President





Dear Friends of Fulfill,

Welcome to our "Shine Light on Hunger" 2020 Virtual Humanitarian Gala. As we adjust to the new norm, we recognize our accomplishments before COVID-19 hit, and we applaud our staff's extraordinary efforts during the ongoing pandemic to help a growing number of struggling neighbors in Monmouth and Ocean Counties put food on their tables.

Our work to alleviate hunger and build food security took a large step last year. We served more than 136,000 people and provided more than 12 million meals to families, children, seniors, veterans, and the working poor. Nearly 3 million pounds of fresh produce was also distributed through our network of 289 food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, and other feeding agencies.

These are not just numbers. They illustrate the impact we've made in our communities and provide proof that what we are doing is significantly improving the lives of our friends, neighbors, and colleagues in need. We are not simply assisting people who need food, but rather, working to create long-term solutions that get to the root of the chronic problem of hunger. Through our multitude of programs and services, including assistance with tax preparation, helping people enroll in affordable health care, connecting people to food stamps, and helping people obtain gainful employment through our culinary training program, we are working to build food-secure communities.

# Our goal is to feed the lines, while working to shorten them.

We are honored to pay tribute to businesses and people who work toward improving the lives of others for the greater good. Our 2020 Honoree exercises compassion for his neighbors and inspires others to stand up and make a difference.

# Our 2020 Humanitarian of the Year is: David Indursky, President of ENCON.

On behalf of our CEO and President Kim Guadagno, Gala Committee, Board of Trustees, staff, and volunteers, we thank you for your continued support. Your unwavering loyalty makes what we do possible.

Yours truly, Jeremy Grunin Chairman





Thank you for joining us this evening at Fulfill's Virtual Gala as we **Shine a Light on Hunger**. Tonight, more than ever before, it is incumbent upon all of us to not only be grateful for our health and our well-being, but to also dig deep into our pockets to help our neighbors in need.

Never in the 35-year history of the Humanitarian Gala has the path to the actual event been more challenging or the need to raise funds been greater. Through it all the committee and the Fulfill staff have worked together to ensure the health and safety of our guests, while trying at the same time to recognize our honoree in a tasteful, meaningful and memorable manner.

We want to officially thank David for being one of the most generous and flexible honorees imaginable and congratulate him on receiving tonight's honor. Tonight, we anticipate raising enough money to provide well over ONE MILLION MEALS.....while in years past that was a goal we were proud to boast, we challenge each of you to help us double that amount.....the need this year is greater than ever before and with help from each of you, it is possible that we can achieve the new goal of TWO MILLION MEALS.....our neighbors, many of whom are facing unprecedented challenges are counting on us.....there is no option to fail.

As always, we wish to thank our fellow committee members and the team at Fulfill.....your elevated dedication to ending food insecurity in Monmouth and Ocean Counties during these troubled times has been unwavering and inspirational.

# With grateful hearts,

The 2020 Gala Co-Chairs Rena, Jeremy & Chris



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David was raised in the business. He interned every summer at ENCON starting in high school and experienced every single job, learning from the ground up.

David feels incredibly fortunate to be in a generational business. David came on full-time in 1993 and worked his way up to president. He's most thankful for having an incredible working relationship with his father Marty – who founded ENCON in 1968 - for over 26 years which is rare for generational family businesses.

David's vision is for ENCON to continue to lead the industry over the next 50 years, both in the use of technology, growing the team, and working with customers who appreciate the value of partnering with ENCON. "I give so much credit to our team and am really proud of their work and the degree of complex projects they have completed," says David. "Some of our top performers have been with the company over 40 years."

While Marty taught David to be a problem-solver early on, at the same time his mother Micki taught him compassion. This "figure it out" mentality mixed with his compassion for people and charity is a common thread throughout the company, and a value instilled in their team. While ENCON has always supported charities and the local community, David has taken it to the next level with the creation of ENCON's Rock & Bowl charity bowling event to benefit the Make -A-Wish Foundation, and David was recently named Chairman of The Board of Make-A-Wish New Jersey. David and the team are proud to have donated over half a million dollars to charities nationwide, including Fulfill.

David was introduced to Fulfill this past year. Moved by the Organization's mission to end hunger, he not only pledged a leadership gift over the next 5 years, but donated ENCON services in excess of over \$100,000 to upgrade the energy infrastructure in Fulfill's warehouse and install a new cooler that enables Fulfill to provide fresh produce. David's support will be significant to Fulfill for many years to come.

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# PAST HUMANITARIAN HONOREES

Joe Amiel 1996

Patricia Laus 1997

Tim McLoone 1999

Anita Roselle 2000

Jon Bon Jovi 2001

Fd McKenna 2002

Senator Joe Kyrillos & Susan Doctorian Kyrillos 2003

Diane Turton 2004

Gary & Tamar Tolchin and Anthony & Karen Cirillo 2005

Gina Petillo and Big Joe Henry 2006

Joe Leone Introna and LENNAR 2007

Celebrating the Humanitarian Spirit 2008

New Jersey Natural Gas — OceanFirst Foundation — Spano Family Charitable Trust **2009** 

Ballew Family—Ballew Jewelers and Carol Stillwell (in Tribute to Gordon Stillwell) 2010

John Lloyd—Meridian Health and Richard & Laura Saker—Saker ShopRites, Inc. 2011

Leslie L. Barlow—Barlow's and Peter Cancro, Founder & CEO Jersey Mike's Subs 2012

Mary Pat Christie and New Jersey Food Council 2013

Tom Donovan—Asbury Park Press, Jim Filip—Doris and Ed's, The Marowitz Family, and Lunch Break **2014** 

Jules Plangere Jr.—*Press Communications, LLC.*, Wegmans, Kyra Citron, and St. Francis Community Center **2015** 

The Schreiber Family – WBI Investments, Inc., Stop & Shop, The Jersey Strong Foundation, Andrew Beer, and Reformation Community Food Pantry **2016** 

Rena Levine Levy & Steven Levine, WindMill Restaurants, Members of United Teletech Financial Board Chairs Emeritus, Dominic Esposito, and King of Kings Food Pantry 2017

Manasquan Bank, The Storino Family, *Jenkinson's Boardwalk & Casino Pier*, and Keyport Ministerium Food Pantry **2018** 

Ray & Elsie Catena and The Ray Catena Family of Dealerships, Chris Sullens, CentralReach 2019



# THE ELEANOR LEVINE UNSUNG HERO AWARD

Eleanor Levine, equal partner with her husband Leo in the WindMills, contently worked in the main office of the organization and received very little recognition for her many contributions to the businesses. That selfless attitude also extended into many activities and aspects of her life. She encouraged Leo to be the deliverer of gifts, the granter of loans and the front man for the businesses. She knitted blankets for babies she would never meet, crocheted and mailed hats to men and women in the armed services serving overseas, purchased and had Leo distribute blankets in Miami to homeless people and signed many monthly checks to charities. She performed all of those activities, not only because they were the right things to do, but also to pass down to her children and grandchildren the lessons of humility and giving back. Her lesson was that we are all responsible for our communities, without the need for recognition or glory. To her family and to those lives she anonymously touched, she truly was an Unsung Hero.

Rena and David Levy, in honor of Rena's mother, Eleanor Levine, established the Eleanor Levine Unsung Hero Award to annually recognize volunteers who, much like Eleanor, live their lives selflessly in the service of others. Tonight, the Unsung Hero awards are presented to Patrick Freemen and Debbie Wagner.

Patrick Freemen, of Bradley Beach, began volunteering at Fulfill in 2016 after retiring from the Police force in New York. He has become an indispensable member of the Fulfill family, through his enthusiasm and willingness to pitch in wherever there is a need and always with a big smile. Pat started sorting food in the Neptune Sort Room, but quickly immersed himself in other volunteer opportunities. He has done it all, from Mobile Pantry Truck Assistant to delivering fresh produce to schools. Most recently has helped the Operations team with Food Drive and store donation pick-ups. Pat has also taken a Food Safety course so he is able to meal prep the after school meals that are delivered daily. If there is help needed in the garden, he even steps up there. Pat is the "go-to guy" around Fulfill. The value of Pat's flexibility, friendly attitude, and multi-talents is immeasurable.

Debbie Wagner of Toms River joined Fulfill in 2017. After 39 years of teaching, Deb retired and was eager to stay active and most importantly, involved with fighting childhood hunger. She began volunteering by meal prepping and packing lunches for our Summer Meals Kid's Program. She now is instrumental in our Backpack program and volunteers regularly at the B.E.A.T. Center packing the food that is distributed to school children to assure they have food over the weekend. Her love of teaching shines through to her volunteer commitment. Deb became Fulfill's first School Ambassador. She visited schools throughout Monmouth and Ocean Counties to talk to students about hunger in our communities and what they can do to help. She has also participated in many other events, such as Childhood Hunger Day, Halloween Hay Ride, and on-site support of our pantries and special projects. On top of all that, Deb was also instrumental in the implementation of the Client Management Tool (CMT) software used by our network partners. Deb has become a valuable member of the Fulfill family who makes a difference every time she volunteers.

During the current crisis, we are reminded that Volunteers are the HEART of Fulfill. We would not be able to do what we do, without each and every one of them. Special thanks to our volunteers for their time and dedication, and to Rena and David Levy for recognizing the value of unsung heroes.

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