

NIGHT of WARM HEARTS

Reconnecting: People, Power, and Partners



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cordially invite you to the

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2021

MGM GRAND DETROIT

1777 3RD AVENUE
DETROIT, MI 48226

5:30 PM • VIP Reception
6:15 PM • General Reception
7:00 PM • Dinner, Entertainment, and Program

RSVP at thawfund.org/week-of-warmth

by Friday, October 21, 2021

To enhance the attendee experience and allow social distancing, the Night of Warm Hearts will be an engaging hybrid (live and virtual) event. THAW will limit the capacity for in-person attendees to 275. There are unlimited virtual tickets available. Once the 275 in-person tickets are sold out, all remaining tickets sold will be for virtual attendance. Virtual attendees will receive a meal specially prepared by Forte Belanger, delivered to their home (limited to metro-Detroit) to enjoy during the broadcast on November 5 at 7 pm. Meal deliveries must be confirmed by October 20, 2021.

THAW encourages attendees to be fully vaccinated and to wear masks. More information regarding event COVID protocols can be found at www.thawfund.org/week-of-warmth

2021 Awardees

Alice Parker Award

Rory L. Gamble

Past President, International Union - United Auto Workers

Presented annually to a pioneer who has paved the way for others in the community through innovation, legislation, or by having the courage to do what others said could not be done. In the early 20th century, Alice H. Parker graduated with honors from Howard University when few African Americans were attending college, let alone African American women. Alice Parker received the first patent for a forced-air heating system. Her novel, natural gas-fueled heating system gave birth to the familiar forced air furnaces that heat most homes today and replaced standard wood-burning fireplaces.

Warm Hearts Award

Laurence H. Baker, DO

The Warm Hearts Award recognizes an individual who is a true community advocate or distinguished volunteer. A warm heart always finds its way to serve those in need. Recipients have hearts for service and are dedicated to supporting THAW.

The Power Force Award

Max M. and Marjorie S. Fisher Foundation

The Power Force Award is dedicated to an individual, corporation, or Foundation that uses its resources for the good of others. Recipients make a positive difference in the lives of individuals and families THAW serves.

Entertainment by

Detroit Academy of Arts and Sciences

About 90 cents of every dollar raised goes to programs and services for THAW clients.

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