

Community Mayors for Children with Special Needs

Annual Mayors' Charity Gala

Thursday, May 2, 2024, ❤️ 6:00 PM



Presenting the Dominick Della Rocca Awards



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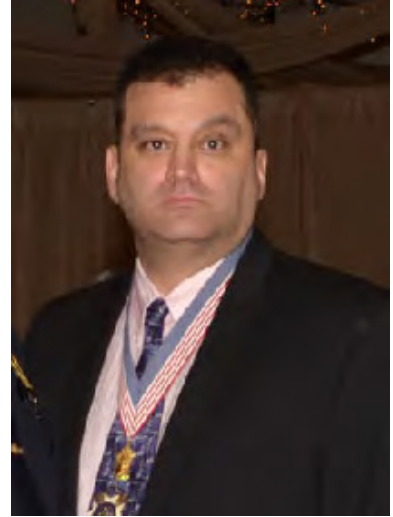
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Dominick Della Rocca Lifetime Achievement Award 2024

Frank Ferrara

Community Mayor of the North Pole
Chairman, Operation Santa Claus
Sgt. Police Department of New York City (Ret.)



Humanitarian Award Honorees of 2024



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Founded 1875 • Serving children with special needs since 1950 • Incorporated since 1956

March 2024

Dear Mayors and Friends,

Once again, I am asking for your loyal support. The Special Needs Community needs us and our programs more than ever. The New York City Department of Education's District 75's Superintendent, Ketler Louissaint, has often said, "Our service to these exceptional children is essential to their wellbeing and happiness." With our aging membership, each year now is more vital to our future than any other previous year.

We are proud to celebrate this year's honorees. Each one represents the finer side of the human spirit and are true heroes, humble and generous of spirit.

We need, need, need your financial help to preserve this legacy for future generations!!

Our "forever children" need us, and WE need the children to remind us to be grateful and nourish our souls. We are proud to remain an all-volunteer organization for 70 years now. Ninety-one cents of every dollar goes directly to the children's program as per our gold rating per GuideStar.

Community Mayors is not just an organization, it is an experience.

Visit our website and enjoy the experience and feel the kindness of giving www.communitymayors.org.

VOLUNTEERS ARE THE HEARTBEAT OF OUR COMMUNITY.

THE LIFE OF A VOLUNTEER IS A LIFE WELL LIVED.

Very personally yours,

Shelley Della Rocca

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Chief Mayor

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Community Mayors, Inc. History

“No One Is So Tall As When They Stoop To Help A Child With Special Needs”

The Community Mayors is a not-for-profit, non-political 501 (c) (3) organization. Founded by “Wireless” Louis Zeltner in 1875 as the Locality Mayors, the organization included Teddy Roosevelt among its notable members. In 1957 the organization was reincorporated as the Community Mayors under the leadership of Dominick Della Rocca, K.M., and The Community Mayors began providing “Recreational Therapy” for children with special needs. Dominick dedicated his life to the children with special needs for 50 years. Today, under the leadership of his daughter, Shelley, the Community Mayors sponsor a series of events benefiting tens of thousands of special children. This concept provides these children with special needs activities that gets them out of hospitals and classrooms, and allows them to experience many activities that would otherwise not be available to them.

The Community Mayors membership includes business and community leaders aided by thousands of dedicated volunteers from uniformed service organizations, businesses, government and the community at large. This is one of the few organizations where all the money raised for the children goes to the children. The most amazing thing is there is no paid staff. The members, officers and volunteers give of their time freely.

The Community Mayors are very proud of their record, serving the needs of so many special children throughout the years. None of these activities or events would have been possible without the generous contributions of those who have donated their time and financial support. Our continuing success is a testament to their dedication and commitment.

We emphasize the outings listed below to illustrate the wide variety of activities the children enjoy. The Community Mayors warmly extends its appreciation and heartfelt thanks.

- ◆ Operation Santa Claus @ JFK Airport, Port Authority hanger #19 (4,500 Children)
- ◆ A Day at the Circus/Ringling Brothers Barnum and Bailey @ Madison Square Garden
- ◆ Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum
- ◆ Deno’s Wonder Wheel Amusement Park
- ◆ The New York Aquarium
- ◆ The Bronx Zoo
- ◆ The Prospect Park Zoo
- ◆ The Staten Island Zoo
- ◆ The Brooklyn Botanical Gardens
- ◆ Adventurer’s Family Entertainment Center
- ◆ Luna Park Amusement Park
- ◆ Athletes & Kids at St. John’s University
- ◆ Halloween Party Hayride/Floyd Bennett Field
- ◆ The Dominick Della Rocca Summer Camp Scholarship Fund
- ◆ Earth Day with Students from Poly Prep Country School at the Conference House, S.I.,NY



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