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#### **HUMAN SERVICES CAMPUS RAISES \$1.1 MILLION AT ANNUAL BREAKFAST; ANONYMOUS BENEFACTOR MATCHES \$500,000 IN DONATIONS TO HELP END HOMELESSNESS**

PHOENIX, Ariz. (Jan. 9, 2019): With an anonymous donor matching up to \$500,000 in contributions, the Human Services Campus (HSC) raised more than \$1 million at its 15<sup>th</sup> annual ***I Am Home Breakfast*** in December, with the funds to support the nonprofit's mission as a collaborative force of partner organizations to end homelessness.

The 13-acre Human Services Campus houses 20 diverse nonprofit organizations near downtown Phoenix in a unique national model. Serving as the hub of the collaborative wheel, HSC conducts intakes and assessments for all guests through the Brian Garcia Welcome Center to design individualized plans using a continuum of safety net and stabilizing services to lift men and women out of homelessness and into stable housing.

Nearly 600 guests attended the free event at the Arizona Biltmore that was supported by 43 sponsors and chaired by HSC Board President Michael McQuaid.

"As an organization that operates on the principle of collaboration and partnerships to achieve a critical common goal, we simply can't do what we do without the support of the community," said HSC Executive Director Amy Schwabenlender. "We are overwhelmed by the generosity of so many in our community who stand with us and we are particularly grateful to the special donor who has left a lasting legacy."

At the event, the 2018 Mike McQuaid Collaboration Award was presented to the Homeless ID Project, represented by Executive Director Rick Mitchell.

Also at the event McQuaid moderated a conversation by three individuals who have turned their lives around, overcoming homelessness and drug addiction. The

panel included Ginamarie Brockdorff, now the HSC Support Services Manager; Brent Downs, Executive Director at St. Joseph the Worker; and Scott Hall, Homeless Projects Program Manager for the Maricopa County Human Services Department.

“Hearing their personal stories of survival and success in a room filled with people who want to help us make a difference in the community was a truly fulfilling experience,” Schwabenlender said.

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**ABOUT THE HUMAN SERVICES CAMPUS:** Founded in 2005, The Human Services Campus is a collaborative force of partner organizations united on one campus to end homelessness. Located just west of downtown Phoenix, nearly 20 independent agencies on the Campus see over 1,000 individuals every day, offering a holistic range of client services including: reunification with family and friends; mental, physical and dental health; shelter; employment; meals; legal services and housing. Having all of these resources in one location with intra-agency communications makes it more feasible to provide a customized engagement for each client to help end their homelessness. For more information, visit [www.hsc-az.org](http://www.hsc-az.org).

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