

**THE WHELAN FOUNDATION SUPPORTS** the care and success of Long Island youth in many ways. We provide scholarships for students studying in the special education field. We offer student loan reductions (S.L.D.R.) for those in the field of special education. We partner with Camp Northstar, a week long, sleep away camp for children with developmental disabilities.

## Whelan Foundation Press Release June 5, 2020

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Whelan Foundation is cancelling our Spirit of Giving Event that was to be held on September 12, 2020. Given the current uncertainty and understanding people's fears, the board members have decided that this is the best decision for the foundation, at this time.

Even though we are cancelling our biggest fundraising event of the year, The Whelan Foundation vows to continue its scholarship programs, loan reduction programs and its support of teachers, therapists and specialists in the field of special education. As a board, we are also continuing our commitment in the support of programs such as Camp Northstar, Angela's House, QSAC, The Lowell School, and many other programs that we are dedicated too.

Since 2008, when The Whelan Foundation first began, we have donated over \$1.4 million dollars and will be continuing, even through the COVID-19 pandemic. We will also be shifting our focus somewhat to support services that are providing COVID-19 relief. These will include, but are not limited to food banks and shelters that are currently serving people who are food insecure on Long Island.

As you know, The Whelan Foundation could not accomplish any of this without our supporters. If you find yourself in a position to be able to help with our goals during this time, we ask that you visit our website (whelanfoundation.org) and click the Donate Now button. 100% of all donations go directly to the programs we support.

As always, thank you for your support of The Whelan Foundation, and we look forward to seeing you at future fundraising events.

SAVE THE DATE: Spirit of Giving Event - September 24, 2021 • Please see the back of this card for opportunities to donate now.

## Although our Spirit of Giving Event had to be cancelled, we gladly accept and appreciate all donations! Donations may be sent via Paypal, check or money order to: Whelan Foundation P.O. Box 2232 Halesite, NY 11743 Visit our website: www.whelanfoundation.org Email: debi.whelan@whelanfoundation.org ☐ Scholarship Sponsor - \$2,500 Sponsor a Student for One Year, Recognition on Foundation website ☐ Student Loan Debt Reduction Sponsor - \$1,000 Recognition on Foundation website Sponsor a Recipient - \$500 Sponsor Camper - \$250 at Camp Northstar

The Whelan Foundation is a 501 (c) 3 organization, and is completely funded through donations, grants and community support. All donations are tax deductible.

To our valued members and anonymous donors:

We thank you sincerely. Your donations and volunteer efforts make a profound difference in the lives of many.