

## Breakfast of Philanthropy

*Together we can create hope and change for women.*

A week ago, we kicked off 15 years of hope and change with our Breakfast of Philanthropy!

It was an **exciting, moving, and inspiring** morning as we connected with over 100 incredible individuals from the Eastside community! There were powerful moments as we witnessed firsthand the impact of our work. Listening to the **inspiring journeys of Rosilynn and Vickie** reminded us once again of the resilience and strength that define the human spirit. Their stories epitomize the **transformative power of hope, courage, and community support**.

Thank you to each of you for gracing us with your presence and unwavering support.

Thank you to our **sponsors Amazon, Symetra, Parklands North Creek, and Microsoft**.

Thank you to our **co-chairs, Goonj Mehrotra and Dave Hamilton**, our **Development Committee** and **Board Members** for being gracious hosts and inviting friends and colleagues to learn about and support our mission.

**Please consider how you can further [support The Sophia Way](#)**. Whether through recurring contributions, one-time donations, or leveraging matching programs, every contribution makes a meaningful difference in the lives of women experiencing homelessness.

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**Goonj Mehrotra & Dave Hamilton, Event Co-chairs**

*What stands out for me is how deeply The Sophia Way cares for women. I've seen the extraordinary lengths they will go to support women in our community and have been deeply impressed with how they've come alongside those experiencing homelessness. - Dave*

*The Sophia Way has shown me what investing in resilience can look like. I've seen the power of creating safe places for women on the Eastside. I've been impressed with how far a dollar can go when invested in this work, and what the team delivers. - Goonj*



**Rosilynn & Vickie, Clients**

*I have been helped in a lot of ways and I am doing well now. You met me where I was, at the point where I was, and walked me through to the point where I am now. - Rosilynn*

*You are my family. My stability is knowing that you are there for me and you've never wavered. You will always have my heart. - Vickie*



**Dietra Clayton, Managing Executive Director**

*What I hope you take away as you heard Rosilynn and Vickie's stories is that it's not just about finding their home. It's about ensuring we are continuing to support them so that they remain housing stable. We recently crunched data that showed that 89% of clients housed between 2020 and 2023 remain housed at the start of 2024. This is a testament to The Sophia Way investing in stability for clients. - Dietra*

# April is National Volunteer Month

*We recognize, honor, and celebrate our community of selfless volunteers who contribute their time, skills, and energy to support women. From making nutritious meals and organizing the many donated items, to supporting staff at the shelters, they weave a tapestry of compassion that encompasses all they serve.*

*We will be celebrating the invaluable contribution of our volunteer community of individuals, faith and civic groups, and corporate employees at a small event later this month. Watch out for updates!*



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