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Callahan Construction receives award by Caritas Communities

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Boston, MA Callahan Construction Managers, a full-service construction management company based in Bridgewater, MA, was honored with the P. Leo Corcoran Humanitarian Award by Caritas Communities at its 37th Annual Housing For All Gala held at the Westin Boston Seaport District on November 10th.

The Callahan family has been a charitable partner to Caritas for 15 years. In his remarks accepting the award, Patrick Callahan, president of Callahan Construction, announced a surprise 1-1 challenge match for dollars raised onsite toward exceeding the \$1 million event goal. A successful live auction and “fund our mission” call led to a record-breaking total of \$1.19 million being raised for the Caritas housing and resident support programs. The Callahan family itself contributed a total of \$115,000, which is the largest gift Caritas has ever received in the history of this event.

In addition to financial support, the Callahan family has made substantial volunteer efforts, including landscaping and exterior improvements at the Caritas property at 46 Winter St. in Quincy, MA.

“The honoree of this award is carefully selected through a rigorous process to identify a person, family or company that demonstrates the characteristics of our founder, P. Leo Corcoran: wisdom, collaboration, hard work and humility in service to those less fortunate,” said Karin Cassel Mitterando, executive director of Caritas Communities. “The Callahan Family and Callahan Construction team have generously supported Caritas Communities with charitable gifts and volunteer work for 15 years. Their integrity, kindness, compassion, and commitment to serve our citizens who are most in need of safe, dignified housing is exceptional.”

Event co-chair Jim Coughlin of Northbridge Companies presented the award, drawing a parallel between the Callahan family and the Corcoran family, who continue in the tradition of Caritas founder P. Leo Corcoran by engaging in community service and giving back. Both families were represented by several generations. In his remarks, Jim said “It all started at the top. Marie, who is here with us tonight and recently celebrated her 95th birthday, raised her five boys to believe that life is about ‘not what you got, but what you gave.’ ”

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