

City & State CSR Announces Corporate Social Responsibility Awards for Philanthropy

And the winners are ...



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New York – August 22, 2017– City & State CSR announced today the winners of its prestigious Corporate Social Responsibility awards for New York’s Philanthropic community. The awardees were selected following a public nomination process that commenced last month via City & State’s website. The awards were presented at a special breakfast ceremony at New York Law School.

One of the most important trends in business today, Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) encompasses everything from philanthropy to environmentalism to the promotion of workplace diversity. The goal of this innovative series of awards and conference events is to promote CSR and encourage businesses to do well by doing good.

“The mission of City & State CSR is to promote Corporate Social Responsibility by shining a light on the companies that have put the values of CSR into practice. At its core, CSR is about thought leadership. It’s about New York businesses doing their part to help the communities they serve.” – Tom Allon, President of City & State NY.



Dean and President of New York Law School, **Anthony Crowell** welcomed attendees and spoke about the great opportunity NYLS students have to get involved with New York’s philanthropic community. *“Philanthropy is part of the good that people do in the world. Our students love to engage in activities where they work with foundations, non-profits and private individuals, counseling them on ways to make strategic investments and support social services, support public health initiatives and education.”*

The event was keynoted by Deputy Mayor for Strategic Initiatives, **Richard Buery**. He filled the room with pride by emphasizing the importance of the philanthropic work of our honorees. *“All the work that you do is such an important part of what makes New York City go. So, on behalf of Mayor de Blasio and the entire administration I wanted to thank you all for your work and give you all a round of applause”* he stated.



“No matter what the color of your skin, gender sexuality or nationality, all people should have an equal shot at the American Dream, meaning where you begin life does not determine where you will end up.”

Before the honoree acknowledgement where winners received their awards, City & State featured a thought-leadership panel discussion featuring: **Keith Timko**, Executive Director/CEO, Support Center | Partnership in Philanthropy; **Gabrielle Fialkoff**, Senior Advisor to the Mayor of New York City and Director of the Office of Strategic Partnerships, **Kaya Meyer**, Deputy Director, + POOL, **Ana Oliveira**, President & CEO, The New York Women’s Foundation and **Brandon Ray**, Regional Director, AT&T External Affairs-Long Island.

Panelists spoke about trends and opportunities in CSR that offer promise for greater cooperation among government, business and philanthropy as well as how to measure the social and business impact of social responsible initiatives.



City & State is proud to announce the Corporate Social Responsibility award winners for Philanthropy:

- **Sharon Alpert** President, The Nathan Cummings Foundation
- **Cecilia Clarke** President & CEO, Brooklyn Community Foundation
- **Sarah Durham** CEO, Big Duck
- **Raul Esquer Lopez** Heineken Brand Manager, Heineken USA
- **Sam Marks** Executive Director, LISC NYC
- **Will Miller** President, The Wallace Foundation
- **Ana Oliveira** President & CEO, The New York Women's Foundation
- **Brandon Ray**, Regional Director of External & Legislative Affairs (Long Island), AT&T
- **Nancy Lee Sánchez** Executive Director, Kaplan Educational Foundation
- **Heather Sutton** Director, Special Projects & Strategic Initiatives, Heckscher Foundation for Children
- **Mark Trocino** Founder & President, The Salvatore & Patricia Trocino Foundation
- **Thomas Urtz** Vice President of Operations, ShopRite Supermarkets Inc.
- **Meg Hely Walsh** Public and Charitable Service Manager, Holland & Knight LLP
- **Vicki Zubovic** Managing Director, Development, KIPP NYC