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Greetings,

On Saturday, October 28, 2017, Friendship Shelter supporters will gather on the beautiful lawn overlooking Dana Point Harbor at The Laguna Cliffs Resort & Spa for the annual Gala, themed Back In Our Backyard. Guests will enjoy an evening of fine dining, live and silent auctions, and always amazing entertainment.

This will be an evening to remember, and most importantly the opportunity to strengthen our community by ending homelessness right here in our backyard.

Gala attendees will have the opportunity to bid on a wide variety of live and silent auction items and we hope you'll join us in making this event a success by donating an item to our auction. Proceeds from the auction will directly benefit Friendship Shelter's efforts to end homelessness in our community, one person at a time.

Through the generosity of our community, Friendship Shelter has been able to help more than 10,000 homeless adults find the hope and opportunity needed to rebuild their lives. Each night nearly 150 people who would otherwise be on the streets sleep safely in one of Friendship Shelter's three programs: Residential Shelter, Emergency Shelter, and Housing.

I am especially pleased to tell you that to date Friendship Shelter has housed 85 of our community's most vulnerable homeless men and women in permanent apartments throughout south Orange County, and provides access to supportive services to ensure their success.

Your donated item(s) will help raise the funds necessary to support Friendship Shelter and change the lives of the men and women who need us most *In Our Backyard*.

With sincere thanks for your consideration,

Friendship Shelter Gala Committee