A Message From Karen Pearl

As I celebrated the holidays with my family and baked traditional goodies with my grandchildren, I thought about the many milestones the God’s Love We Deliver family achieved together in 2019. Our kitchen hummed all year long, enabling us to deliver a record two million meals. This would not have been possible without the help of all our friends, dedicated staff and more than 16,000 volunteers we welcomed to our building this year. Our volunteers helped with meal preparation and packaging, birthday card-making, van and walking deliveries, and other vital tasks which support our mission. With this remarkable team, we made sure all our vegetables were chopped, clients’ questions were answered with dignity, and every meal was packaged and delivered with love. We are all too aware that the only people our clients might see week in and week out are our drivers and volunteers, which is a poignant reminder of how vital our mission continues to be.

Thanksgiving Day at God’s Love is a day full of joy, care and enthusiasm. It is an opportunity each year for people in our community to connect with the clients we serve. We are grateful for the more than 1,700 neighbors, families and children who came out to help us deliver meals, as well as many of our elected officials who joined us. We are proud to have cooked and delivered 8,400 traditional meals to our clients, their children and their senior caregivers, as well as a guest, so no one would have to spend the holiday alone. We are also thrilled to have brought each client a God’s Love-branded tote bag filled with treats and personal care items, all donated by generous supporters, to remind them that God’s Love cares for them in many different ways.

Winter Feast is also a festive time at God’s Love. We celebrate the winter holidays by delivering a special meal and gift to each client and their children. As I watched my grandchildren enjoy their gifts, I reflected on how meaningful it is to be remembered by others through the receipt of an unexpected gift. Providing this delight to our neighbors who are living with severe and chronic illness makes all the difference in the world, especially around the holidays.

This year, God’s Love received a coveted 4-Star rating through Charity Navigator for the seventh year in a row. Only six percent of the 1.5 million charities rated by Charity Navigator have achieved this status. We are so proud of our volunteers, volunteer leadership groups and all our staff who gave countless hours of service towards this remarkable achievement.

Our Kitchen made some exciting progress this year, focused on sustainability. We now source wild caught fish and more locally grown vegetables, as well as use new soup containers that are better for the environment. We also launched a partnership with City Harvest and are grateful to receive many pounds of fresh produce from the organization each week.

This year, our Policy & Planning team led the ninth annual Advocacy Capacity Building Project National Symposium in Washington, D.C. The Symposium brings together organizations with the common goal of increasing access to food and nutrition for people living with severe and chronic illness. While we were in D.C., we took part in our second Congressional Briefing with the Food is Medicine Coalition, Tufts University and the Center for Health Law and Policy Innovation at Harvard Law School.

We will serve our 25 millionth meal in 2020. Your support and friendship have made this possible over our 35 years of service. I thank you for your generosity and volunteerism, as well as all you do as great ambassadors for God’s Love. I look forward to all the wonderful things we will accomplish together for the most vulnerable among us this year.

-Karen-
Advocacy Update:
Public Officials Volunteer with Love on Thanksgiving

As we celebrated our biggest Thanksgiving at God’s Love by delivering 8,400 Thanksgiving feasts, we were so honored to be joined by many of our elected officials and their staff members. They joined us in the kitchen bright and early as well as helped us deliver Thanksgiving meals to our vulnerable clients, children, and caregivers. Thanksgiving really is a special time at God’s Love and we were so happy to share the holiday with those who serve our community.

We were joined by our very own Congressman Jerrold Nadler and his staff, as well as Assistant Speaker of the Assembly Felix Ortiz and City Councilmember Carlina Rivera who helped pack out over 8,400 Thanksgiving meals to clients living with serious illnesses. Councilmember Adrienne Adams made a special delivery of a Thanksgiving meal to a constituent and his senior caregiver who were overjoyed to have a special visitor on Thanksgiving morning.

A special thank you to our public officials for making this Thanksgiving truly special for our clients at God’s Love. We were so pleased that we had the chance to share our urgent mission with our representatives, and that they saw firsthand the impact of our work on the lives of so many.

Client Stories:
Heartfelt Thanks from our Clients During the Holidays

Every holiday season we hear from clients and their families about how special their Thanksgiving and Winter Feast celebrations were. We are thrilled to hear how meaningful they found each delivery. Read on below for some of what our clients and their loved ones had to say about their special holiday meals in November and December.

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Thank you so much for the Thanksgiving meals and gift. I cried so much when I answered my door and saw the volunteer with her five-year-old daughter who gave me a hug and wished me happy Thanksgiving. That was the best! You’re making people like me who live alone feel so special.

The Thanksgiving meal was really awesome... very beautiful. The food was really good!

Thank you! Thanks to your sweet volunteer. The warmth of the food enhanced the meal. The tote and its treats were a lovely surprise.

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I appreciate receiving the gift bag (a big surprise!), Thanksgiving entrees and snacks, and especially the wonderful greeting & hugs from your volunteers.

Thank you for your kindness and the Winter Feast! We appreciated and loved everything. Thank you!

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Giving Thanks this Holiday Season

The holidays are a favorite time of year, and we take them seriously (and joyfully!) at God’s Love We Deliver. We begin planning for Thanksgiving and Winter Feast in August, and immediately after our first planning meeting, it’s full steam ahead! This Thanksgiving, God’s Love cooked and delivered a record number of meals and worked with a record number of volunteers. We are so thankful to everyone who worked to make the holidays special for our clients.

Across the NYC metro area, 1,700 volunteers worked to send meals from 13 meal distribution centers. We delivered 8,400 traditional turkey feasts, vegetarian meals, and modified Thanksgiving meals to 4,000 homes. Volunteers packed the meals in festive bags decorated by hundreds of NYC school kids and home-delivered the meals to our clients. The bags, drawn and painted with cheery messages and holiday-themed pictures, are another way that we demonstrated to our clients how much love and warmth we cook into these restorative and delicious meals.

Our kitchen prepared the God’s Love Thanksgiving classics: pumpkin bisque, roasted turkey breast with cornbread stuffing, gravy and cranberry sauce. As sides, we sent sweet potato mash, parsnips, Brussels sprouts, carrots, and pearl onions. Of course, the meal wouldn’t be complete without an apple crisp baked by Chuck the Baker to round it off. We sent every single client an extra meal for a guest or a loved one, so that none of our clients had to spend the holidays alone.

In addition to the Thanksgiving feast, our volunteers delivered every household a God’s Love tote bag filled with nonperishable snacks and personal and dental care products. In previous years, we’ve sent baskets, but this year, we were thrilled to send our clients a reusable God’s Love canvas bag. These bags were filled to the brim thanks to generous donations from The Krumholz Foundation; the Binn Family Foundation in loving memory of Penny Binn Binstock; Stewart Lantner, DDS & Joseph Goldberg, DDS; and AXA. Additionally, this year, the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection of Garden City, NY collected hundreds of bars of soap and tissue packs, and Colgate-Palmolive donated thousands of toothbrushes, toothpastes and bars of soap. We know our clients had big (clean!) smiles this Thanksgiving.

Also, God’s Love once again delivered a special holiday meal to unaccompanied minors who have been separated from their parents and are being temporarily housed in New York. Last year’s meal of treats that “taste like home” was such a hit with the kids that we were asked to do it again. Chef Daniel oversaw the pupusas de chicharron, which is a traditional Guatemalan/El Salvadorian pork-stuffed masa cake, served with a curtido which is a Salvadoran cabbage slaw. Chef Daniel also oversaw the pepian de pollo, a traditional Guatemalan chicken stew, which accompanied Chef Curtis’s arroz y frijoles. The children also received Chef Vincente’s deliciously sweet tres leches cake and a bonus traditional Guatemalan sesame cookie which Baker Jose baked. God’s Love is proud to have brought a little bit of home – and a lot of love – to these children during the holiday season.

As soon as our chefs woke up from a quick post-Thanksgiving nap, preparations for the Winter Feast ramped up! We required the help of just as many volunteers to prepare this special meal as the one we sent at the end of November. The Winter Feast began with a smooth, delicious corn chowder, and continued with braised beef with cherries; salmon with caper relish, or a winter vegetable casserole, depending on clients’ preferences and dietary requirements. We sent our famous holiday cookies to round off this delightful meal. And, for a special touch, every client received a God’s Love-branded water bottle, every child received a gift, and Sabra donated 4,000 containers of hummus, for each household to enjoy. As the temperatures drop, we were proud to be able to home-deliver warmth, love and health to our clients. With the help of our volunteers, supporters and staff, we made sure that the holidays were festive for seriously ill New Yorkers.
Corporate and Foundation Partners Help Build our Story

God’s Love has many foundation and corporate partners. We are grateful for all they do! They send volunteer teams, donate goods and services, and of course, provide financial support through grants and sponsorships.

We are particularly grateful for our longstanding supporter, the Steven & Alexandra Cohen Foundation, for their commitment to God’s Love. This year they are the presenting sponsor of our fourth annual Love Rocks NYC to be held on March 12. Through the Foundation’s continued support, we will be able to nourish the lives of more of our neighbors and provide concertgoers an opportunity to have the best musical experience God’s Love has produced to date!

We are also thrilled to have WebMD as a platinum sponsor of Love Rocks NYC. This partnership will enable God’s Love to reach thousands of WebMD readers, connect with their network of care providers across the country, and share news about the important role of medically tailored meals in health care.

Some existing supporters have started to partner with us in new ways. Employee teams from Bank of America have been working in our kitchens since 2004 and have contributed over two thousand volunteer hours. Now, we are pleased to report that Bank of America has awarded a generous grant to fund our work. Thank you!

Colgate-Palmolive Co. has worked with God’s Love in many ways, including grants and volunteerism. This year Colgate-Palmolive donated personal care products to fill Thanksgiving gift bags, including thousands of soap bars, toothbrushes and toothpastes. We know these gifts will help clients maintain their health. Thank you so much!

Sometimes, the most important work happens behind the scenes—or, on a computer. To keep up with growing demand, God’s Love must upgrade our technology and other tools used to efficiently run and evaluate our programs. Through generous grants from the Altman Foundation and Craig Newmark Philanthropies, we have financial support for both for our newly hired Manager of Research and Evaluation and for our technology expansion project.

To all our partners, thank you for all that you do. If your company or foundation would like to learn more about partnerships at God’s Love, contact Stephen Covello at 212.294.8144 or scovello@glwd.org.

NEWS:

We Remember: World AIDS Day

On Monday December 2, Eric Marcus, historian, author and podcaster spoke to the staff of God’s Love We Deliver to mark World AIDS Day. As author of the book Making Gay History and founder of the Making Gay History podcast, Eric has made a career of asking questions and highlighting important LGBTQ voices, many of which are voices that would otherwise be lost to history or obscured by prejudice. His intimate interviews and research are thoughtful, iconic and highly recommended. This talk, however, was uncharacteristically personal for Eric. He didn’t begin by discussing others, rather he opened up about his own experience in NYC in the 80’s. Eric told us that he doesn’t usually talk personally about the early days of the epidemic; he doesn’t like to remember. After a pause, he continued, “But I’m only doing what I ask others to do.”

Eric started by projecting a picture of himself in 1981. He had a mustache that he laughed at upon seeing on the screen; “they were big back then.” 1981 is an important year; it’s the year The New York Times first published a short article about a rare cancer affecting gay men. There was no test until 1985. Eric himself did not get tested until early November 1988, at which point he was already working on his Making Gay History book. He went in for his test at a public health clinic in Chelsea. It took three weeks back then to get the results, so just before Thanksgiving he returned to the clinic. Sitting with a social worker in a small room, he was told that he was HIV-negative. He said that he’d assumed he was positive and just about fainted from relief when he got the good news.

Despite his own negative results, Eric’s world was being shaped and damaged by HIV. He witnessed and recorded the illness and the loss of a generation. On World AIDS Day he shared recordings from interviews with Vito Russo, Larry Kramer, Morty Manford, and Tom Cassidy. Eric talked about what it meant to sit down with each of these men, some of them not yet sick at the time of their interviews.

Eric reflected at the end of his talk that at this point in his life, he feels a drive to share his own story, even though he has avoided doing so for so long. “As much as I would like not to remember, I can’t forget.”

World AIDS Day at God’s Love is always solemn. We have lost so many of our friends, neighbors, clients, and loves to this disease which continues to take lives, even as treatment, prevention, and diagnosis has become so much better. We will continue to be there for our clients living with HIV until we have finally ended the virus in America and around the world.

@elzasoprano
Yesterday, I participated in @metopera’s annual holiday bake-off and made melktert (milk tart), a South African specialty. Together we raised over $1000 for @godslovenyc! Congrats to my fellow bakers and thank you to our judges.

@danielle_fava
Twitter fam, meet my at-home fam. We’re embarking on our annual Thanksgiving tradition of delivering meals for @godslovenyc in Brooklyn. Spread love, then eat! ☺️ #GodsLoveThanksgiving
These girls came downtown tonight to volunteer at @godslovenyc - making holiday cards!

NUTRITION:
How We Meet the Needs of Individuals Living with Severe Diabetes
by Lisa Zullig, MS, RDN, CSG, CDN

At God’s Love We Deliver, all clients receive a complete medically tailored meal intervention that includes Medical Nutrition Therapy (MNT) and Medically Tailored Meals (MTM). Conducted by a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist, MNT is an evidence-based application of the Nutrition Care Process that focuses on prevention, delay, and management of diseases and conditions. It involves an in-depth assessment and periodic reassessment, counseling and nutrition education. The beauty of the God’s Love program is that our RDNs create plans with clients that include the provision of meals that are medically appropriate to that individual. Utilizing a combination of our available meal modifications, our RDNs individualize menus to meet each client’s needs. Since our clients with chronic illness are unable to shop and cook, these meals not only reinforce the education from the RDN, they are literally lifesaving.

Nearly 7% of our clients have severe diabetes as a primary diagnosis and are also managing complications related to the disease like neuropathy or renal failure. And, 44% have a secondary diagnosis of diabetes along with a primary diagnosis of another illness like HIV or cancer. These complicated medical conditions require medical tailoring of meals. For our clients with diabetes, our heart-healthy, well-balanced meals with consistent amounts of carbohydrates complement the nutrition education that we provide. Our bakery also produces modified desserts that contain less sugar as well as carbohydrates that are good choices for our clients with diabetes.

Our latest nutrition education booklet, Nutrition Tips for Diabetes, was published by the Nutrition Services Department in the fall. Written by God’s Love RDNs, its purpose is to help those with diabetes find food and lifestyle habits that work for them. Healthy eating behaviors, well-balanced meal planning, safe exercise, and managing diabetes with other conditions are some of the topics discussed. This resource, along with the others in our collection, is distributed to our clients as well as the community at large; all of our nutrition booklets are also available as a free download on our website. Visit glwd.org/diabetes for more information.

from the God’s Love kitchen
FEATURED RECIPE:
White Bean Stuffed Peppers
(Serves 4)

• 1 tbsp. olive oil
• 2 cloves garlic, minced
• ½ cup onion, diced
• 1 tsp. curry powder
• 2 cans artichoke hearts, drained and chopped
• 1-14 oz. can white beans (Great Northern, cannellini, navy, etc.)
• ½ cup shredded mozzarella cheese, plus a little more for topping
• ½ cup breadcrumbs
• 2 red bell peppers

1. In a medium sauté pan, cook garlic and onion in olive oil until soft. Season mixture with curry powder, blending well and heating spice until fragrant. Remove pan from heat.
2. In a mixing bowl, fold together white beans, artichoke hearts, mozzarella, breadcrumbs and the onion mixture. Mix well.
3. Cut each pepper in half vertically. Remove seeds and veins. Spray a baking dish with cooking spray.
4. Fill each pepper half with bean mixture, portioning out equal amounts into the four halves. Place peppers into prepared baking dish. Sprinkle each with a little more mozzarella.
5. Bake peppers in a 325-degree oven for approximately 35 minutes. Peppers should be tender, bean mixture should be heated through, and the cheese should be melted throughout.
6. Serve with steamed rice or your choice of starch.

Recipe courtesy of God’s Love We Deliver

@eileen.d.rappaport
These girls came downtown tonight to volunteer at @godslovenyc - making holiday cards!

@nemastil
had fun chopping with @fmirenda @godslovenyc
EVENT RECAP:

Golden Heart Awards

God’s Love was honored to welcome 800 guests to the 13th Annual Golden Heart Awards on October 21 at Cipriani South Street in Manhattan. The Golden Heart Awards are presented annually by God’s Love to honor the important contributions of individuals, corporations and foundations to the organization’s cause. Funds raised at the event help ensure that no person in the metropolitan area suffers the dual crises of hunger and life-altering illness. At this year’s dinner, God’s Love celebrated the remarkable contributions of three generous people: mayor of South Bend, Indiana, Pete Buttigieg; John Demsey on behalf of his work with the M∙A∙C VIVA GLAM Fund; and supermodel, entrepreneur and philanthropist, Iman.

This year, the evening raised $2.9 million in support of our urgent mission.

The sold-out gala began with an Italian Market Experience curated by Eataly. Cocktails were followed by dinner and a live auction.

Comedian and actress Tiffany Haddish started off the night welcoming guests to the dinner. Playwright and screenwriter Matthew Lopez presented Mayor Buttigieg with the Golden Heart Award for Outstanding Leadership and Public Service. Fashion model Winnie Harlow presented John Demsey and the M∙A∙C VIVA Glam Fund with the Golden Heart Award for Outstanding Volunteerism and Community Leadership.

After dinner, God’s Love President & CEO Karen Pearl made remarks and auctioneer Harry Santa-Olalla led a rousing auction. Michael Kors then took to the stage to present Iman with the Michael Kors Award for Outstanding Community Service.

God’s Love We Deliver extends special thanks to Eataly, Tito’s Handmade Vodka, Railoa/Co. and glassybaby for their support of the Golden Heart Awards.

Thank you to our Honorary Chairwoman, Anna Wintour, and Co-Chairs Michael Kors, John Idol, Neil Patrick Harris & David Burtka, Aerin Lauder, Jordan Roth, Blaine Trump, Hugh Jackman & Deborra-Lee Furness, and Cynthia Erivo for making the evening a great success. We are grateful to all who attended the gala – for their support and their generous, golden hearts!
Sightings of great work for God’s Love around town...

Cocktails for a Cause
On November 3, God’s Love Leadership Council members Nick Athanail and Bryan Frank hosted Cocktails for a Cause: An Evening with God’s Love We Deliver. The event took place at Our/New York Vodka, Manhattan’s first distillery since prohibition. We poured five Our/New York signature cocktails and served delectable bites provided by DISH Food & Events. Event hosts Nick and Bryan encouraged supporters to become members of the Kitchen Cabinet, a monthly giving opportunity that supports meals for our clients.

Broadway Delivers Song, Cheer, and Love
Every year, we take a moment during the busy holiday season to relax and enjoy the festive spirit with our talented friends from Broadway. This year, three members from the cast of the musical Mean Girls joined us to enjoy eggnog, cookies, and all of the classic holiday songs. Staff members Chuck the Baker, Chef Andre and Client Services Specialist Lilly showed off their musical theatre and singing skills. The performances ranged from a raucous rendition of “Feliz Navidad” led by Lilly to Chuck’s introduction to “Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer” that would have anyone thinking that he spends his time practicing arpeggios rather than mixing batches of brownies. Our on-staff singers were joined by volunteer and soul singer Bette Smith who wowed all with a soulful “Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire,” fittingly performed in front of a digital open fire. In fact, the entire room filled with voices enjoying a pre-, mid-, or post-shift moment to reflect on all the goodwill that exists within this building at this time of the year.

Bidding for Good with Paddle8
From October 30 to November 13, we offered 20 priceless works by artists such as Bui Huu Hung, Julian Schnabel, Raul33, Alexandra Penney, Peter Tunney and many more on Paddle8, the online auction platform. 100% of the sales benefited God’s Love. We are lucky to have so many talented artists as friends, and we’re grateful that they donated these incredible pieces which are now in the homes of our supporters.

Making Sweet Memories with Our Young Hearts
Our Young Hearts program is aimed at engaging children and instilling them with the spirit of social service on which God’s Love was founded. On December 9, students from Friends Seminary and other local schools joined us to decorate cookies with Chuck the Baker and Chef Amanda Freitag. Thanks to all our Young Hearts for their wonderful work and generosity! And thank you Michael Kors for sponsoring this event!

Miguel Anggelo, Singing His Heart Out for God’s Love
On November 6, in celebration of National Coming Out Day, our beloved Thursday morning volunteer Miguel Anggelo performed his theatrical work “LatinXoXo” to a packed room at Joe’s Pub at the Public Theatre. All tickets from the performance benefited God’s Love We Deliver. The crowd was riveted by his beautiful representation of growing up gay in Venezuela, which employed original compositions, pop hits and classic songs like “Besame Mucho” to shatter the boundaries of gender, and challenge and enrich the cultural legacy of Latin America.
EVENT RECAP:

Policy Thought Leadership

God’s Love We Deliver continues to be a thought leader in the field of food and nutrition and the social determinants of health. Our staff have been invited to present at several conferences in the past few months. Along with our fellow Food Is Medicine Coalition colleagues, Alissa Wassung, Director of Policy & Planning, was invited to present our medically tailored meal model at the National Resource Center on Nutrition and Aging, run by the federal Administration on Community Living. In October, Alissa headed to California for the Root Cause Coalition’s 4th Annual Summit on the Social Determinants of Health. Alissa sat on a panel titled Addressing the Nutrition Needs of Vulnerable Populations, which identified strategies to expand access to nutrition services for vulnerable populations. Alissa highlighted our work for the LGBTQ+ community, children with pediatric cancer and their families, and senior caregivers.

Also, in October, Karen Pearl, President & CEO, was an invited speaker at the 50th Anniversary of the White House Conference on Food, Nutrition, and Health at Tufts University in Boston. Karen joined a panel of thought leaders in the health and nutrition field: Dr. Dariush Mozaffarian, Dean of the School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University; Dr. Howard Koh, Professor of Public Health at Harvard University and former Assistant Secretary for Health under President Barack Obama; Dr. Kara Odom Walker, Secretary of the Delaware Department of Health and Social Services; and Dr. Darshak Sanghavi, Chief Medical Officer of UnitedHealthcare’s Medicare & Retirement. On a panel filled with major healthcare leaders, Karen was a strong advocate for the services God’s Love provides stating, “We will never reach our healthcare goals of improving outcomes and lowering costs without fully integrating the medically tailored meal intervention into healthcare.”

Our Registered Dietitian Nutritionists shined at the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics’ Food and Nutrition Conference and Expo in Philadelphia. Our Director of Nutrition Services, Lisa Zullig, MS, RDN, CSG, CDN and Juhy All, MS, RDN, CDN showcased our nutrition training program for medical residents in partnership with SUNY Downstate Medical Center.

God’s Love staff presented at the NY Medicaid Population Health Symposium, the NYC Ryan White 2019 Power of QI Conference, the New York Health Plan Association Conference, and the Ending the Epidemic Summit in Albany. We are so thankful that New York State, as well as the entire country, is placing significant value on the social determinants of health and is recognizing the importance of including medically tailored meals within the care continuum. We are utilizing these platforms to advocate for access to services for those who are sick and vulnerable in New York City and across the country.
**NEWS:**

**God’s Love Welcomes New Board Members**

We are pleased to announce the addition of Erich Anderer, Scott Durkin, Roberta Graves, Alfredo Paredes, and Ariana Rockefeller to our Board of Directors. Each new member of our Leadership team brings unique talents that have an important impact on our services and growth. Welcome everyone! Here’s a bit about each new Board member.

**Erich Anderer, M.D.** is the Chief of Neurosurgery at NYU Langone Hospital-Brooklyn. He serves on the boards of the New York State Neurosurgical Society and the North Brooklyn Parks Alliance, where he is board chair. Dr. Anderer is a native New Yorker and is an avid runner, skier, and eater in his free time.

**Scott Durkin** is President and Chief Operating Officer at Douglas Elliman. He is a driving force at the internationally recognized brokerage, with a knack for bringing together top-tier talent across a range of disciplines including public relations, marketing, and technology. Scott is a board member of the Have a Heart Animal Welfare Fund and sits on the committee for the 2020 Breast Cancer Research Foundation Palm Beach luncheon.

**Roberta Graves** is President of the Black Enterprise BRIDGE Foundation. Over the past 25 years, she has worked in a variety of senior consulting roles at Black Enterprise and Graves Ventures, LLC. In addition, she served as the Executive Advisor to the Chairman, CEO & President of the United States Tennis Association (USTA). Ms. Graves is actively involved in a number of non-profit organizations including Harlem Junior Tennis and Education Program, Hearts of Gold and Catholic Relief Services.

**Alfredo Paredes** is the founder of Alfredo Paredes Studio, specializing in the fashioning of spaces, home furnishings and unique events designed to accelerate the pulse of clients with the highest standards. Prior to founding his own firm, he was Executive Vice President and Chief Creative Officer at Ralph Lauren. Alfredo brings extensive board experience from his work with DIFFA, Empire State Pride Agenda, The Hetrick Martin Institute, and the Columbia Children’s Hospital of New York.

**Ariana Rockefeller** is an equestrian athlete, businesswoman and 5th generation member of the John D. Rockefeller family. She serves on the Next-Gen Advisory Council for Rockefeller Capital Management, and is a board member of The David Rockefeller Fund, founded by her grandfather, David Rockefeller, Sr.

**THE LEGACY SOCIETY MEMBER:**

**Meet Lloyd Cheu, Legacy Society Member**

“...I have been involved with God’s Love We Deliver for over 15 years and have been always impressed by the manner in which it achieves its mission. The organization not only delivers nutritious meals to its clients, it delivers hope, humanity, and joy. The kitchen is incredibly well-run, but there is a lot of laughter and a strong sense of community. God’s Love We Deliver is an important part of my life, and I hope that a contribution through the Legacy Society will enable God’s Love We Deliver to continue helping others in the future.”

Being sick and hungry is a crisis, and each year, more and more vulnerable New Yorkers reach out to us for assistance. To help us meet this urgent need, we have established The Legacy Society.

The Legacy Society is comprised of individuals who have chosen to support our work by including God’s Love in their estate plans. Planned gifts, including bequests, create an extraordinary opportunity to provide the much-needed resources that will enable God’s Love to help the severely ill today and well into the future.

Joining the Legacy Society is easy—you can make God’s Love a beneficiary in your will, retirement plan, life insurance, trusts, or other estate planning vehicles. For information on how you can join the Legacy Society, please contact Brandon Bryant at 212.294.8134 or bbryant@glwd.org.

**themarkjacobs**

God’s Love We Deliver. Delivering love and Thanksgiving meals. #celebratewithaplate #godslovethanksgiving @chardefrancesco @godslovenyc

**alexandrarowley**

$10 donation covers a medically tailored, home-delivered meal. This Sunday Elliot and I will run again for GLWD @godslovenyc and we have nearly reached our fundraising goal. THANK YOU for your support. Link to donate in bio here we are after last year’s Race To Deliver #godslovewedeliver #racetodeliver #thanksgiving
EVENT RECAP:
26th Annual Race to Deliver

On Sunday, November 24, we held our 26th Annual Race to Deliver in Central Park. The Race to Deliver is one of the largest annual fundraisers for God’s Love. It is a symbol of our own daily race to ensure no one must face the unthinkable combination of illness and hunger.

We were thrilled to be joined by actor, producer, singer, philanthropist and Board of Trustees member Tamara Tunie who led the National Anthem. Thousands of participants came out to support God’s Love.

We could not have such a successful event without all of our amazing sponsors and teams, including M·A·C VIVA GLAM Fund, Gramercy Tavern, ADP, Capital One, Li & Fung, Global Brands Group, Scott Reinhardt and Loring Place, LOVE TEAM, Roz’s Girls, genLOVE and Team Wright.

Thank you to everyone who supported this year’s Race, and we can’t wait to cheer you on next year!

ON THE CALENDAR

SAVE THE DATE:
GOD’S LOVE WE DELIVER
Love Rocks NYC
MARCH 12, 2020
BEACON THEATRE, NYC
LOVEROCKSNYC.COM

SAVE THE DATE:
GOD’S LOVE WE DELIVER
Midsummer Night Drinks
JUNE 2020
LOCATION TBD
GLWD.ORG/MIDSUMMERNIGHTDRINKS

SAVE THE DATE:
GOD’S LOVE WE DELIVER
Food Meets: Design
APRIL 2020
A new signature lunch event melding two of our favorite topics: food and design.
GLWD.ORG/FOODMEETSDESIGN

SAVE THE DATE:
The 14th Annual
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2020
To be held at Glasshouses. Honorees to be announced.
GLWD.ORG/GOLDENHEARTAWARDS

jessicakahawaty
24 million meals delivered to date by @godslovenyc to those in most need and we were there to donate, raise awareness and push forward. #GoldenHeartsGala

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Food is love! I am so proud to join the Board of Directors @godslovenyc GLWD cooks and delivers medically tailored meals for people living with severe illness in the New York City metropolitan area, without charge, and with all the love 🖤 #GodsLoveWeDeliver #FoodIsMedicine
Our Thanksgiving Menu

Here’s what it takes to make Thanksgiving:

- **7,000 lbs** of turkey
- **2,000 lbs** of pumpkin
- **250 gallons** of gravy
- **2,000 lbs** of carrots
- **1,005 gallons** of soup
- **8,400** apple crisps

A whole lot of LOVE

This Thanksgiving, we delivered

**8,400** THANKSGIVING MEALS

TO **4,000** HOUSEHOLDS

WITH THE HELP OF **1,700** VOLUNTEERS

EACH HOUSEHOLD RECEIVED 1 TOTE BAG FILLED WITH SNACKS AND PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

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**THE MISSION OF GOD’S LOVE WE DELIVER** is to improve the health and well-being of men, women and children living with HIV/AIDS, cancer and other serious illnesses by alleviating hunger and malnutrition. We prepare and deliver nutritious, high-quality meals to people who, because of their illness, are unable to provide or prepare meals for themselves. We also provide illness-specific nutrition education and counseling to our clients, families, care providers and other service organizations. All of our services are provided free of charge to clients without regard to income.

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