

Announcement of the 2019 Community Awards for Being Brave

The Board of Trustees of Town Clock CDC is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2019 Community Awards for Being Brave who will be honored at our Being Brave event to be held at the Nicholas Music Center on November 8, 2019 at 8 pm.



Dr. Penelope Lattimer,
The Outstanding Volunteer
Award

Dr. Penelope Lattimer will receive The Outstanding Volunteer Award. This award is given to an individual or group who is/are a driving force in volunteering and/or philanthropy. Dr. Lattimer, who is currently Director of the New Jersey School Development Council, which is a collaboration of New Jersey School Administrators, has substantially supported Town Clock CDC by connecting us with individuals who have expanded our course of development. Her insight and wise counsel make us better.

Ms. Elaine Hewins will receive The Outstanding Advocate Award. This award is given to an individual or group who is/are challenging perceptions and educating the public about domestic violence. Ms. Hewins, who is the Program Coordinator for the Domestic Violence Education & Awareness at RWJUH Community Health Promotion Program, Robert Wood Johnson Barnabas Health, has advised our staff and Board in numerous questions, especially during our nascent period. She continues to be an advocate for the large and small concerns that happen in our New Brunswick community around the issue of domestic violence.



Ms. Elaine Hewins,
The Outstanding Advocate
Award



Ms. Louise Ragusa,
The Outstanding Provider
Award

Ms. Louise Ragusa will receive The Outstanding Provider Award. This award is given to an individual or group who provide/s emergency services to survivors of domestic violence. Ms. Ragusa has volunteered for 24 years with the Woodbridge Domestic Violence Response Team and is among the founding members of the Middlesex County Silent Witness Committee and the Middlesex County Coalition of Domestic Violence Response Teams. Their work is critical to the entire community, most especially to victims of domestic violence.

Furthermore, the Woodbridge DVR Team are amazingly well-organized and ambitious by providing training programs for all who are interested. The Woodbridge DVR Team has build significant

relationships to the Town Clock staff, as well as have organized significant gifts for our residents of Dina's Dwellings.

The Being Brave event is designed to honor and support women who were brave in the pursuit of safety, wholeness, and affordable apartments to call home, which Town Clock CDC builds and is managing. The event is hosted by *Inside Edition's* award- winning, internationally-known Chief Investigative Journalist **Lisa Guerrero**. Lisa will be joined by **Tarana Burke**, founder of the #MeToo Movement and social justice activist. Additionally, award-winning singers, The American Repertory Ballet Co., and engaged politicians will be giving voice to the courage of women who have escaped domestic violence and are creating new lives for themselves and their families.

We hope that you will join us in celebrating survivors and those who are working on their behalf, including our three Community Award Honorees.