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UCP-LI to Host Black-Tie Affair to Celebrate People With Disabilities



Hauppauge, NY – UCP of Long Island will hold its *Life Without Limits* Gala on Friday, October 27, 2017 at Flowerfield in St. James, NY. This year’s event will honor Kevin M. O’Connor, President & CEO of Bridgehampton National Bank (BNB).

Mr. O’Connor is being honored for his ongoing commitment to improving the quality of life across Long Island by supporting non-profits, including UCP of Long Island.

Kevin has been a friend of UCP of Long Island for many years. He has been actively involved in special events such as the *Life Without Limits* Gala and hosted art exhibits for artists in UCP of Long Island’s Brushstrokes Program at Bridgehampton National Bank.

“We are thrilled to honor Mr. O’Connor from Bridgehampton National Bank for his support and generosity towards the people that UCP of Long Island serves,” said Stephen H. Friedman, President & CEO of UCP of Long Island. “We look forward to a lovely evening in which participants, families and supporters will come together and celebrate our mission of creating *Life Without Limits* for people with disabilities.”

UCP of Long Island’s *Life Without Limits* Gala has been in existence for over 40 years. More than 300 guests attend the annual event at Flowerfield. The evening will begin with cocktails and exclusive auctions followed by a sit-down dinner, awards presentation, entertainment and dancing. Doug Geed, Morning Anchor & Award Winning Reporter for News 12 Long Island, will serve as the Master of Ceremonies.

Proceeds from the gala will help to support UCP of Long Island’s vital programs and services geared towards advancing the independence, productivity and full citizenship of people with disabilities.

UCP of Long Island is grateful to its major sponsors for support of this event: **Bridgehampton National Bank, M&T Bank, Professional Group Plans and WE Transport/Towne Bus Corp.**

For more information about UCP of Long Island or the *Life Without Limits* Gala, please contact 631-232-0015 or dev@ucp-li.org. You may also register online at ucp-li.org/gala.

For more information on event coverage, please contact UCP of Long Island’s Public Relations Office at 631-232-0011 ext. 457.

*For over 65 years, UCP of Long Island has been committed to advancing the independence, productivity and full citizenship of people with disabilities by creating **Life Without Limits**. UCP of Long Island provides programs and services to children and adults with disabilities. The Children’s Center at UCP of Long Island offers early intervention, preschool and school aged programs. The agency provides Adult Day services which include Day Treatment, Day Habilitation and Respite programs, as well as job training and placement services. In addition, UCP of Long Island has 31 residences and a 12-unit apartment complex in Suffolk County. For information on UCP of Long Island programs and services, please visit ucp-li.org.*