



COURAGE MKE
1544 S. 6th Street
Milwaukee, WI 53204
www.CourageMKE.org

Dear Community Partner,

Courage MKE's Annual Gala; *No Place Like Home* will be held on the evening of Friday, November 2, 2018 at 1451 Renaissance Place in Milwaukee. We are currently seeking silent auction donations and thought of your business.

100% of the event's proceeds directly support the newly acquired Courage House, Wisconsin's first home for displaced LGBTQ+ youth, which will house up to 8 of Milwaukee's homeless LGBTQ+ in a safe and caring environment. On any given night in Milwaukee, there are as many as 500 homeless youth, and 40% of these identify as LGBTQ+, expelled from their homes by the families that are meant to love and protect them. With fewer than 20 beds throughout the city that serve this population, the need for shelter for these children is greater than ever. We need your help!

Our gala offers excellent exposure for you and your business: over 400 guests attended last year and we look forward to growing that number in 2018. In addition to our silent auction, live entertainment, music, celebrity host, and delicious food, we have invited important guests to serve as our Keynote Speakers: parents of Matthew Shepard, Judy and Dennis, whose words and mission are just as important now as they ever were.

To ensure 100% of the proceeds go these children in need, everything from the venue to entertainers have been donated or sponsored. We need people and organizations, like you, who are willing to donate silent auction items.

Upon receipt of your donation letter (attached), we will contact you to make arrangements for drop off or pick-up of donated items. Please just fill out and return the attached form by mail or email at info@couragemke.org no later than October 12, 2018.

Thank you kindly for your consideration. We will be honored to speak with you further, should you have any questions.

Courageously yours,

Brad Schlaikowski
Founder, Executive Director

Marcus L. Wise
Project Director



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**COURAGE GALA: NO PLACE LIKE HOME
SILENT AUCTION DONATION LETTER**

Donor Business Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ Website: _____

Description of Item(s):

Estimated Value: \$ _____

Please fill out and return this form no later than **October 12, 2018** to:

Email: info@CourageMKE.org Mail: P.O. Box 342386, Milwaukee, WI 53234

**Donations may also be mailed to this P.O. Box address or dropped off at FLUID
bar at 819 S. 2nd Street 7 days a week 4pm-midnight.**

**We at COURAGE MKE are exceptionally grateful for your thoughtful and heartfelt
donations to our most important fundraiser of the year!**

All donations are tax deductible. Courage MKE is a 501(c)(3) organization, Federal ID number: 81-0768966.