

## \$80,000 Donation to Waymakers Announced at Tennis Serves Others' Wimbledon Garden Party

Funds Raised Will Provide Emergency Youth Shelter, Support for Victims of Violent Crime, Counseling for At-Risk Families, Resolve Community Disputes, and Assist with Prevention Education in Orange County.

**Irvine, Calif. (XXX)** – Waymakers, a nonprofit dedicated to fostering safer communities by guiding individuals through conflict and crisis to strength and stability, is thrilled to announce a historic donation from Tennis Serves Others (TSO). The \$80,000 grant, one of the largest in TSO's history, was unveiled at TSO's recent Wimbledon Garden Party and Check Distribution event.

The celebration was held at the stunning residence of Leslie Boehm in Coto de Caza, which provided a magnificent setting for this momentous occasion. Guests, dressed in their Wimbledon whites, witnessed the announcement of this record-breaking grant.

Carol Carlson, Director of Youth Shelter Programs at Waymakers, expressed her gratitude: "We are profoundly grateful to Tennis Serves Others for this landmark donation. This generous grant will have a transformative impact on our agency, enabling us to offer even more comprehensive support and resources to the struggling individuals we serve. This gift exemplifies the power of community and collaboration in driving meaningful change."

Kelley McBride, CEO & President from Tennis Serves Others added: "When Waymakers was selected as a grant recipient, we knew the impact would be tremendous. The organization works tirelessly to serve at risk teens by providing safe spaces to heal and a variety of resources to assist both individuals and families, while creating growth opportunities and hope for the future. Tennis Serves Others is proud to partner with Waymakers on this journey."

Since opening in 1972, Waymakers has offered individuals, families and communities the steadiest, surest and safest means to positive outcomes. The staff and volunteers of Waymakers are focused on creating an environment where individuals facing conflict and crisis can make choices, which lead to strength and stability. Through crisis and intervention programs, Waymakers aims to achieve family strengthening and reunification, homeless prevention, diversion of at-risk youth from the juvenile justice system, school dropout prevention and a path back from the trauma of crime victimization.

## **About Waymakers**

Every day throughout Orange County, people find hope after trauma. They don't simply survive; they find ways to heal – all with the help of Waymakers. Our life changing

programs guide tens of thousands of abused children, victims of violent crime, struggling families, and acting-out adolescents annually. Waymakers has been sheltering children, supporting victims, counseling families, resolving conflicts and educating communities in Orange County since 1972. Learn more at WaymakersOC.org

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