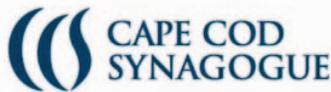


Nearly 1,100 Attend Musical Fundraiser for Independence House, Cape Cod Synagogue

Over \$30,000 raised by "Simply Diamond" tribute concert

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Independence House and Cape Cod Synagogue partnered on yesterday's "Simply Diamond" fundraiser in Hyannis

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Saturday, October 28th turned out to be an enjoyable night for almost 1,100 fans of Neil Diamond, Tom Petty, Billy Joel, Johnny Cash, Boz Scaggs, and John Lennon.

It was even a more exciting night for Independence House and the Cape Cod Synagogue, who successfully raised over \$30,000 in the joint fundraiser 'Simply Diamond- A Neil Diamond Tribute Concert.' The two organizations collaborated for the first time in an event to help raise funds that support their organizations which serve the Cape Cod community in numerous ways.

Donna Giberti, Director of Development and Marketing for Independence House, and also a Board of Trustees member of the Cape Cod Synagogue said it was a natural fit for her to bring these two organizations together. "I believe the model of co-fundraising is an important one and that we need to focus more on, especially here on Cape Cod where the community is so small. There are many non-profit organizations here striving to raise money and because of the size of our community, it's often our donors and supporters are stretched in their giving capacity. Our goal for this event was to bring some of our supporters together to create an exciting evening that would extend to the greater community and attract them to also come out and support us. This model certainly worked for us, and we hope to do it again".

The Cape Cod Synagogue, nearing its 85th year, has been a thriving institution of Judaic worship and learning for both residents of Cape Cod and visiting tourists to our region. Throughout its history, the Synagogue has made significant contributions to the community by opening its doors and embracing the interfaith community and providing for those in need regardless of their religious affiliation. Proceeds of the event directed to The Cape Cod Synagogue will help continue to support the numerous educational programs, services, festivals and worship that residents of Cape Cod community are welcome to take part in.

Independence House, which is now in its 38th year, provides critical response services to every resident on Cape Cod and their families who have been impacted by domestic and sexual violence. These confidential services come at no cost thanks to numerous grants and the fundraising support of the community. On average, Independence House touches the lives of over 9,000 Cape Cod residents annually. Proceeds of this event directed to Independence House will help to support their new confidential emergency domestic and sexual violence shelter opening on November 1st.