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Bay Cove Human Services’ 2021 Saving Lives Virtual Gala to Feature Dennis Eckersley, Susan Wornick and Bob Lobel

Boston nonprofit’s annual fundraiser for people with the greatest challenges goes online May 6

BOSTON (April 15, 2021) – Bay Cove Human Services, one of Massachusetts’ leading human services organizations, announces that its 2021 spring fundraiser—The 2021 Saving Lives Virtual Gala—will feature a special conversation with Major League Baseball Hall-of-Fame pitcher and Red Sox TV analyst Dennis Eckersley. Hosted by Boston broadcasting legends Susan Wornick and Bob Lobel, The Saving Lives Virtual Gala will take place at 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 6.

The nonprofit’s largest fundraiser of the year will also feature an auction, entertainment, and inspiring stories of Bay Cove clients’ perseverance during the COVID-19 crisis.

Since the start of the pandemic, Bay Cove’s remarkable program staff have been on the front lines, keeping people served by the agency as safe as possible despite the challenges they face—challenges that make maintaining COVID-related safety practices that much more difficult. While Bay Cove has always helped people living with developmental disabilities and/or mental illness, those battling substance use disorder, and/or individuals experiencing homelessness overcome challenges and work toward changing their lives, this year, the agency’s work has also meant literally saving lives.

“The people we serve in our programs teach us lessons in resilience every day,” says Bill Sprague, President & CEO of Bay Cove Human Services. “During these recent, incredibly difficult days, we have seen them demonstrate just what resilience really is—working as hard they can to achieve one more day of sobriety, to survive the rigors of being homeless, or to successfully manage their mental illness or the challenges associated with their intellectual disability—even as they struggle with the fears and obstacles presented by COVID-19.

“We’re grateful to our amazing staff and dedicated supporters, who have stepped up when the need to support our vulnerable neighbors has never been greater,” Sprague adds. “Our Saving Lives Virtual Gala will offer a chance for members of our Bay Cove Community, new and old, to come together—albeit remotely—and make a difference in the lives of the people we’re privileged to serve each day.”

The Saving Lives Gala is made possible through the support of the event’s Empowering Potential Lead Sponsor Liberty Mutual Insurance, and that of many other corporate and individual sponsors. All proceeds from the event support Bay Cove’s diverse continuum of vitally important and impactful treatment, crisis, clinical, residential, employment, and rehabilitative programs and services for people facing the greatest challenges.
Individual tickets to the gala are $100, and sponsorships at a variety of levels are still available. To reserve tickets to the event, please call 617-371-3184, or visit www.baycove.org/gala.

Bay Cove Human Services is one of the largest human service providers in Massachusetts, partnering with people to overcome challenges and realize personal potential. It provides individualized and compassionate services to people with developmental disabilities, aging-related needs, homelessness, mental illness, and/or substance use disorder. Bay Cove serves more than 25,000 people each year at over 170 program locations throughout Boston and Southeastern Massachusetts. For more information, please visit www.baycovehumanservices.org.