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## Don't Miss the Inspiring HOPE Luncheon Benefitting HOPE 4 Youth!

**Anoka, Minnesota – April 13, 2017** - Please join HOPE 4 Youth at our inaugural *Inspiring HOPE Luncheon* on Thursday, May 4th, to support young people experiencing homelessness right here in our community, the North Metro Twin Cities.

This is your opportunity to learn more about the work that HOPE 4 Youth is doing to inspire young people to move past their status of homeless and achieve the future that they have always dreamed of. Be there when the first Inspiring HOPE awards are given to deserving individuals and organizations.

We're thrilled that KARE 11's very own Jay Olstad will emcee the luncheon, as well as have the privilege of introducing, to the audience, young people whose lives have been changed by HOPE 4 Youth.

The Inspiring HOPE Luncheon will be Thursday, May 4th at Leopold's Mississippi Gardens in Brooklyn Park. The luncheon is free to attend thanks to the generosity of our sponsors - Financial One, Connexus Energy, MRI of Minnesota, Culligan of Anoka, The Paul Ekstrom Team - Keller Williams Classic Realty and Thrivent Financial North Central Associates. Attendees will be given an opportunity to make a financial gift at the end of the hour.

If you'd like more information or to register, please email Executive Director Lisa Jacobson at [ljacobson@hope4youthmn.org](mailto:ljacobson@hope4youthmn.org) or complete the Table Guest Form at [HOPE4YouthMN.org/Inspiring-HOPE-Luncheon](http://HOPE4YouthMN.org/Inspiring-HOPE-Luncheon).

### About HOPE 4 Youth

*HOPE 4 Youth, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization located in Anoka, Minnesota, serves homeless youth and those at-risk of becoming homeless in the north metro Twin Cities by meeting basic needs, as well as helping youth find jobs, finish school, secure housing, and access health and wellness services. HOPE 4 Youth also provides transitional housing to homeless youth at our new studio-apartment facility, HOPE Place. The Drop-In Center is open M-F, 2-7p.m. **Mission:** providing pathways to end youth homelessness. **Vision:** that all youth feel safe, valued, and supported while reaching their full potential. This begins with meeting their basic needs and leads to giving them the tools and resources to thrive. For more information, please visit [HOPE4YouthMN.org](http://HOPE4YouthMN.org) or contact Kristin VanHeel at [kvanheel@hope4youthmn.org](mailto:kvanheel@hope4youthmn.org).*

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