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Join HOPE 4 Youth for a #HomecomingReDo to End Youth Homelessness

The GALA 4 HOPE is an Annual Fundraiser Benefiting HOPE 4 Youth

- WHAT:** Join HOPE 4 Youth annual Gala 4 HOPE to celebrate how HOPE 4 Youth changes the lives of homeless youth every day. Guests will be able to re-experience their own homecoming at the Gala with a #homecomingredo that includes games, silent and live auctions, a program with guest speakers, emceed by *KARE 11's Rena Sargianopoulos*, and dance featuring live music by the R Factor (formerly Rupert's Orcherstra).
- WHEN:** **Saturday, October 6, 2018**
5:30 p.m. Social/7 p.m. Dinner Program/9 p.m. Homecoming Dance Featuring the R Factor
- WHERE:** **Marriott Northwest – Northland Ballroom**
7025 Northland Dr. N. in Brooklyn Park, MN
- WHO:** The Gala 4 HOPE is open to the public. Tickets are still available for \$125 per person and can be purchased online at HOPE4YouthMN.org/GALA.
- WHY:** In 2017, 446 unduplicated young people walked through HOPE 4 Youth's doors. The Gala 4 HOPE allows HOPE 4 Youth to ensure that these and the many youth we have not met yet are equipped with the tools they need to leave their status of homelessness in the past.

Additional Highlights:

- Cocktail or homecoming attire is recommended.
- The Gala 4 HOPE is sponsored by many partners, including premier sponsor TPC ROSE, touchdown sponsors Connexus Energy, Financial One Credit Union, Jim and Jackie Weinzetl, and Wells Fargo, royalty sponsors Bank of the West and Brooklyn Park Lions, and many sponsors/donors. There are still a few sponsorships available. Please contact Sonja Kloiber, Vice President of Advancement, at skloiber@hope4youthmn.org or 612.845.6052.

About HOPE 4 Youth

HOPE 4 Youth, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit headquartered in Coon Rapids, Minnesota, serves youth experiencing homelessness by providing hot meals, hot showers, clothing, food and hygiene products, laundry facilities, computer and internet access, and case management; meeting health needs at on-site HOPE Clinic, as well as the needs of moms through HOPE 4 New Moms; securing housing through the Housing Navigation program and at HOPE Place transitional housing facility; assisting with employment and educational opportunities; offering a spiritually-based program via HOPE TreeHouse; and providing basic resources and referrals through outreach on the streets and in schools. HOPE 4 Youth also operates Pathways 4 Youth, a replication of the Drop-In Center located in St. Cloud, and hope's closet, a resale boutique in Champlin, with 100% of the profits benefiting HOPE 4 Youth. For more information, visit HOPE4YouthMN.org or contact Kristin VanHeel at kvanheel@hope4youthmn.org.

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