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LIGHTING THE PATH FOR 35 YEARS

PathWays PA Celebrates 35th Anniversary of Working with Women, Children, and Families to Achieve Self-Sufficiency

Honorees include Daniel Fitzpatrick, President of Citizens Bank, Elizabeth Murphy, VP of Government & External Affairs, PECO and Lisa Nutter, President of Philadelphia Academies, Inc.

HOLMES, PA – On November 1, 2013, PathWays PA will be celebrating 35 years of service to women, children, and families at their annual Fall Gala, PathWays to the Stars. The event, hosted by meteorologist Kathy Orr, will feature live and silent auctions, cocktails, dinner, and live musical entertainment.

PathWays PA will also recognize the achievements of PathWays PA's Trailblazer Honorees: Daniel Fitzpatrick, President of Citizens Bank, Elizabeth Murphy, VP of Government & External Affairs, PECO and Lisa Nutter, President of Philadelphia Academies, Inc. In addition, a special retirement tribute will be dedicated to President and CEO Carol Goertzel recognizing her 19 years of leadership at PathWays PA.

"We are very pleased to honor Daniel Fitzpatrick, Elizabeth Murphy, and Lisa Nutter for their important contributions to the Greater Philadelphia community," said Fran Franchi, Director of Development at PathWays PA. "Our 35th Anniversary is also the perfect time to honor Carol Goertzel for her years of leadership and dedication to the needs of women and girls."

Established in 1978, PathWays PA has been lighting the path for low-income women, children, teens and families for the past 35 years. At their annual fall Gala next month, PathwaysPA will be celebrating their work in building residential and community-based services for women, children and families in the Greater Philadelphia area.

For the first time, PathWays to the Stars will be held at the historic Franklin Institute at 222 N. 20th Street, Philadelphia, PA. This unique venue will showcase a cocktail reception, live musical entertainment and the dinner and awards ceremony, all beginning at 6:30 PM on November 1, 2013. A live and silent auction will take place throughout the evening and will feature many items for all to bid on.

Tickets to the event cost \$135.00 and are available for purchase to all who would like to celebrate PathWays 35 years of service.

For more information about tickets, sponsorships or ads, contact Fran Franchi at 610-543-5022 x205 or ffranchi@pathwayspa.org.

Join PathWays PA on November 1st as they celebrate their 35th Anniversary and pay tribute to current President & CEO Carol Goertzel, a pioneer for thousands of homeless and low-income women, teens and families.

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PathWays PA was founded in 1978 as the Women's Association for Women's Alternatives. It served as one of Pennsylvania's first residential programs to keep low-income, vulnerable women together with their children and has grown to become one of the Greater Philadelphia Region's foremost providers of residential and community-based services for women, children and families. Each year over 6,000 women, children and families benefit from our full complement of social services; job training and employment assistance; as well as outreach and residential programs as they move along the path to self-sufficiency.