



Philadelphia's Center
for Independent Living
for People with Disabilities

Presents the 8th Annual

Taste of Independence

Thursday, November 1st, 2018

5:30-8:30 pm

Sheraton Society Hill

Honoring the following people:

Larry Krasner, *Philadelphia's District Attorney*

Nora Lichtash & Staci Moore,

Women's Community Revitalization Project

Alanna Raffel, *Access Point*

AWARDEES



Public Official Award

Larry Krasner, *Philadelphia District Attorney*

Larry was born in 1961 in St. Louis, the son of a World War II veteran father and minister mother. After attending public schools in St. Louis and the Philadelphia area, Larry earned degrees from the University of Chicago and Stanford Law School with the help of student loans and scholarships.

While at Stanford, rather than focusing on corporate law, Larry worked for indigenous rights, homeless people, and the poor, in criminal matters. After graduating in 1987, he received several job offers from prosecutors' offices around the country, but instead chose to return to Philadelphia to work as a public defender.

In 1993, Larry started his own law practice in Center City specializing in criminal defense and civil rights. Since then, he has tried thousands of cases in criminal and civil court and represented countless defendants and filed more than 75 civil rights lawsuits against the police for corruption and physical abuse.

Larry stands up for immigration, disability and gay rights, as well as the right to free speech. He has defended, normally at no cost, protesters at RNC 2000 and DNC 2016, members of ACT UP, Black Lives Matter, Casino-Free Philadelphia, DACA Dreamers, Decarcerate PA, Earth Quaker Action Team, Heeding God's Call, Kensington Welfare Rights Union, Occupy Philly and Reclaim Philadelphia, advocates of public school funding and opponents of the death penalty. Larry lives in Philadelphia with his wife of 27 years.

(bio taken from <https://krasnerforda.com/meet-larry/>)

Community Partner Award

Nora Lichtash & Staci Moore,

Women's Community Revitalization Project

In 1986, the Women's Community Revitalization Project (WCRP) was started as Philadelphia's only community development organization that was created by and for women and families. Today WCRP is recognized as an innovative developer of affordable housing and as an organization that



involves women in the process of community building, self-empowerment and change. All of us at WCRP are clear that to have a home—an accessible, affordable home-- is a human right. For that reason in addition to building rental housing (300 units), WCRP works to support the voice and leadership of women who themselves have experienced the need for affordable housing, and bring groups together in coalition to build our power and push elected officials to step up and address Philadelphia's affordable/accessible housing crisis.

Staci Moore and Nora Lichtash are honored to accept this acknowledgement from Liberty Resources on behalf of WCRP. Staci has been involved as a volunteer with WCRP since 1997 and serves as board co-chair. She's a strong advocate for affordable accessible housing, who herself was formerly homeless. Nora is the director of WCRP and has been involved with the organization since its founding 1st as a volunteer and for the last 29 years as staff.



Community Partner Award

Alanna Raffel, Access Point

Alanna Raffel is an occupational therapist and accessibility consultant. She graduated from the University of Maryland with dual degrees in Psychology and Dance and from Thomas Jefferson University with a Master of Science in Occupational Therapy. Alanna has worked as an occupational therapist in acute rehab, early intervention ages 3 to 5, outpatient, and school-based settings.

Alanna has facilitated accessibility in a variety of ways including autism-friendly Broadway performances in New York City, open captioning at People's Light in Malvern, and organizing mapping events to collect data on physical accessibility.

Her company, Access Point, strives to increase inclusion in Philadelphia and beyond by advocating for access, creating solutions, and promoting awareness of accessible opportunities for people with disabilities and their friends and family.

Congratulations to our Honorees!

THE 8th ANNUAL TASTE OF INDEPENDENCE

This year's *Taste of Independence* celebration will take place at the Sheraton Society Hill. The event, honoring individuals and businesses who have demonstrated a commitment to helping Liberty Resources further the Independent Living Movement, will feature a cocktail hour with live music and hors d'oeuvres, followed by a delectable dessert served in the Sheraton's ballroom. Cocktail hour will also feature a silent auction including an eclectic range of items.

ABOUT LIBERTY RESOURCES

As Philadelphia's Center for Independent Living (CIL), Liberty Resources, Inc. advocates with disabled people, individually and collectively, to ensure our civil rights and equal access to all aspects of life in the community. LRI serves as a major point of entry into the community for people with disabilities in Philadelphia and the surrounding area, and offers five core services that all CILs must provide by federal mandate:

- **Advocacy:** Affecting systems change at all levels to secure and protect the rights of individuals with disabilities.
- **Skills Training:** Offering individuals the opportunity to learn and practice those skills needed to live independently in the community
- **Peer Support Services:** Allowing a Consumer the opportunity to work with another disabled person exploring options, making informed decisions, and gaining individually defined control over his or her life.
- **Information and Referral:** Providing our Consumers, their families, and professionals with information about disability-related issues and programs, facilitating linkage through referrals to services.
- **Transitioning/Youth Services,** which increase outreach and awareness for those who want to transition out of a nursing home or family home to independent living.

Recognizing the need and demand for additional services, LRI also offers the following ancillary services and resources:

- **Liberty Resources Home Choices,** a home care agency rooted in the independent living philosophy.
- **Housing Counseling,** which provides a variety of services to low and moderate income residents of Philadelphia regarding attaining affordable, accessible housing.
- **Deaf Outreach and Educational programs,** which offers programming for deaf and hard of hearing Consumers and individuals in Philadelphia.
- **Wellness Rising: *Wellness for Every Body*,** a program put together for Consumers and staff to encourage a healthy lifestyle through weekly accessible workouts, yoga, and nutritional information.
- **Liberty Wheels,** an adaptive modification and durable medical equipment provider, focused on making homes and apartments accessible.
- **Liberty Housing Development Corporation,** a community development company that builds affordable and accessible housing for low-income individuals with disabilities.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Title Sponsorship: \$10,000

- Co-naming of event
- Opportunity for remarks at start of program
- Name and logo on invitation
- Name on cover of event program & full page cover ad
- Additional half page write up on company in program
- Recognition before, during, and after the event on all social media pages and our new website
- Reserved table of twelve guests

The Titanium Commitment: \$7,500

- Opportunity for remarks at start of program
- Full-page color ad in program
- Recognition before, during, and after the event on all social media pages and our new website
- Reserved table of ten guests

The Platinum Commitment: \$5,000

- Full-page color ad in program
- Recognition before, during, and after the event on all social media pages and our new website
- Reserved table of eight guests

The Gold Commitment: \$2,500

- Full-page color ad in program
- Recognition before, during, and after the event on all social media pages and our new website
- 4 tickets to event

The Silver Commitment: \$1,000

- Half-page color ad in program
- Recognition before, during, and after the event on all social media pages and our new website
- 2 tickets to event

The Bronze Commitment: \$500

- Half-page color ad in program
- Recognition before, during, and after the event on all social media pages and our new website

Non-profit Supporter: \$250

- 1/4 page color ad in program
- Recognition before, during, and after the event on all social media pages and our new website

Friend of Liberty Resources, Inc.: \$50-\$100

- Color logo in program
- Recognition before, during, and after the event on all social media pages and our new website

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PROGRAM ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

Deadline: September 21st, 2018

2018 Advertising Rates

- Full = 4 1/2" x 7 1/2" = \$500
- Half = 4 1/2" x 3 3/4" = \$300
- Quarter = 2 1/4" x 3 3/4" = \$200
- Eighth = 1 7/8" x 1 7/8" = \$100 (non-profit only)

Please e-mail your ad copy (JPG or PDF format) to maryjorohrer@libertyresources.org by September 21st, 2018.

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