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Side By Side's Reach for the Stars Gala Shined Brightly with Community Service and Community Stars

[Mill Valley, CA, November 4, 2023] – The Reach for the Stars gala took place at the Mill Valley Community Center on November 4 and raised over \$140k for Bay Area youth mental health services.

Produced by Side By Side, an agency focused on youth mental health services in Alameda, Marin, Napa, and Sonoma Counties, Reach for the Stars hosted 175 attendees who travel from far and wide to enjoy supper-club-style cocktails and dining, jazz music, and a post-dinner DJ set by D Sharp, the Golden State Warriors official DJ. Attendees heard from Side By Side's CEO Dr. Christine Garcia about the current youth mental health crisis and the agency's mission. California State Senator Mike McGuire was also on hand to support the event as the night's honorary emcee. Local politicians such as District 2 Marin County Supervisor, Katie Rice, and San Anselmo Mayor, Steve Burdo stopped by to show their support for youth services.

"We are thrilled with the outcome of this year's gala. The enthusiasm and community engagement we witnessed were beyond our expectations," said Dr. Christine Garcia.

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About Side By Side: Founded in 1895, Side By Side is a community-based, non-profit organization serving Bay Area at-risk young people and their families. Learn more at SideBySideYouth.org.