

AN  
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AFFAIR**



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Friends of CAPTAIN Community Human Services,

It is my privilege to invite you to CAPTAIN CHS' 18th annual *An Unbridled Affair* gala, taking place on Thursday, July 23, 2026, at Saratoga National Golf Club.

As many of you know, I am halfway through my first year as Executive Director. While I previously had the honor of serving on the Board of Directors, stepping into this more hands-on role has deepened my appreciation for the extraordinary generosity, compassion, and commitment that surround this organization. We truly couldn't do this work without you, and I can't thank you enough for your continued support of our mission.

*An Unbridled Affair* is one of the premier events of the Saratoga summer, but it is more than a wonderful evening out. It is a gathering of people like you who believe in the strength of our community and in the dignity and potential of every person CAPTAIN CHS serves.

Every ticket, sponsorship, auction bid, and gift help support the vital work of CAPTAIN CHS. Because of you, we can provide food for families, shelter and support for youth, transportation for seniors, assistance during times of crisis, and programs that help children, adults, and families move toward greater stability and self-sufficiency.

Of course, the evening will also be a joyful and memorable celebration. Guests can look forward to an inspiring program, exceptional entertainment, world-class cuisine, lively auctions, special guests, and the company of friends and neighbors who care deeply about making our community stronger.

I hope you will join us for this special night in support of CAPTAIN CHS and the thousands of people who rely on our programs each year. Your presence matters, your generosity makes a difference, and I look forward to welcoming you personally on July 23.

With my deepest gratitude,

Scott DeMarco, Executive Director

CAPTAIN Community Human Services supports and empowers people of all ages to reach their goals of personal growth and self-sufficiency. We strengthen communities. When you purchase a ticket to the gala or give a donation, you're:

- Feeding the hungry through our Emergency Food & Hygiene Pantry
- Keeping the heat on through our Emergency Assistance Program
- Helping kids with special challenges and their families through Family Support Services
- Ensuring every kid has a meal through Free Summer Meals
- Creating academic success through Cheryl's Lodge Outreach Center
- Building kids' communication skills through Peace Camp
- Working to shelter those in need through multiple Services for the Homeless
- Ensuring seniors can stay in their homes through Care Links and Wellness Express
- Keeping kids safe at our Runaway and Homeless Youth Shelter
- Saving kids from sex trafficking through our Safe Harbour Program
- Helping homeless teens safely exit the streets through our Street Outreach Program
- Helping young adults become independent through Supportive Housing for Homeless Youth
- Promoting philanthropy through the CAPteens Program and Camp CAPTAIN Cares
- Offering low-cost, gently-used clothing and housewares at CAPTAIN's Treasures
- Helping clients build a brighter future through Getting Ahead

To learn more, visit [captaincares.org](http://captaincares.org), or call [518-371-1185](tel:518-371-1185).

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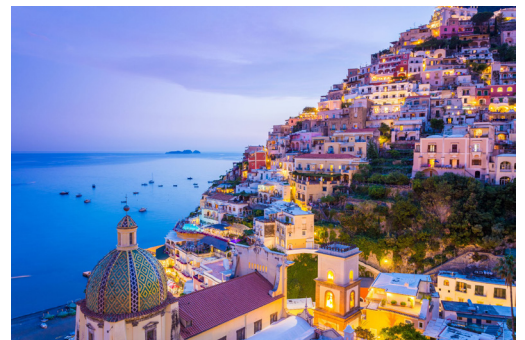
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You'll see why Italy's Amalfi Coast is one of the most romantic places on earth as you explore Sorrento, Amalfi, and Positano where you can sip wine under the stars as moonbeams sparkle on the Mediterranean.

Each year, AmFund carefully chooses organizations to support through their unrestricted funding programs to help worthy nonprofits accomplish their critically needed missions. At this year's gala, you'll find awe-inspiring packages available in the Silent Auction. Don't miss out -buy your ticket today!

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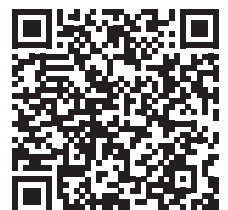
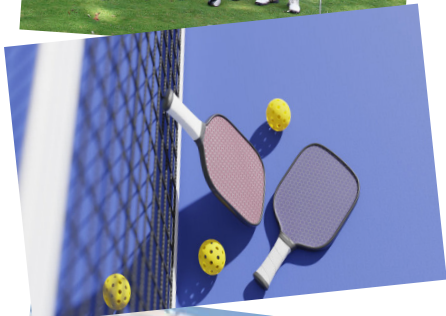
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# Online & Silent Auction

PREVIEW JULY 9, 2026 | AUCTION RUNS JULY 16 - JULY 30, 2026

**ONLINE AUCTION BIDDER REGISTRATION:** Ready to join the fun? Register now to start bidding on July 16th! Visit [UnbridledAffair.org](https://UnbridledAffair.org) and click on "Online Auction" to sign up easily. Need help? A short video guide is available in the "Help" section. You do not have to attend the gala to participate in the online auction!

**ONLINE AUCTION BIDDING:** Bidding opens on July 16th at 12:00pm and closes July 30th at 6:00pm. For step-by-step instructions, visit the "Help" section on the auction website.

**ONLINE AUCTION ITEM PICK-UP:** After the auction ends, you'll receive a confirmation email and text listing your winning items. A separate message will follow with payment instructions - you can pay securely online by credit card or bring a check at pick-up. All items must be picked up in person at the CAPTAIN CHS office in Glenville. Pick-up begins Monday, August 3rd. Please call 518-399-4624 before arriving to ensure your package is ready.

**SILENT AUCTION BIDDING AND PICK-UP (AT THE GALA):** Bidding for the silent auction opens at 6:00pm and can be done online or through the Auctria app. Bidding will close promptly at 7:15pm during the event. Winners will be notified via email, text, or push notification from the Auctria app (if downloaded), and will receive a secure link to complete payment. All silent auction items should be picked up at the event. Pick-up and check-out begins at 8:30pm.

**IMPORTANT:** Please review item details before bidding, including any limitations or expiration dates. All sales are final - no returns, refunds, or exchanges.

**QUESTIONS?** If you have any questions, please contact the Development team at 518-399-4624 or email Jessica DiLorenzo at [jdilorenzo@captaincares.org](mailto:jdilorenzo@captaincares.org).

## Wrapping Up the Building Brighter Futures Campaign

The Building Brighter Futures Capital Campaign is nearing its completion, and we are deeply grateful to YOU: every donor, volunteer, partner, and friend who has helped bring this pivotal moment in CAPTAIN CHS history to life.

When this campaign was first envisioned, it began with a bold goal: to strengthen CAPTAIN CHS for the future and expand our ability to meet the growing needs of our community. Since then, that vision has grown even more urgent and more meaningful, as the challenges facing children, families, adults, and seniors across our region have continued to increase.

At this year's gala, we are excited to share the final amount raised and celebrate your extraordinary generosity that has carried this campaign forward. We hope you will be with us as we mark the close of this momentous effort and look ahead to the brighter future we are building together.

To learn more about the full vision or to make one final campaign gift before the July 22, 2026 deadline, call 518-399-4624 or visit [captaincares.org/brighterfutures](https://captaincares.org/brighterfutures).





## *Can't Attend the Gala?*

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