

Summer, 2025

Dear Friends,

## 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Awards Luncheon & Celebration

"SOMEWHERE OVER THE RAINBOW" fundraising event

Sat. Oct 25, 11 am

As an important member of our business and philanthropic community — we are pleased to invite you to participate as a sponsor of a very inspiring event. Our goal is to raise funds to support our new Marin LGBTQ+ Center's empowerment programs, beginning with vulnerable young people in middle and high schools who are experiencing unrelenting attacks against our community across the US.

You are invited to follow the yellow brick road to our 1st Annual Awards Luncheon & Celebration, Saturday, October 25th located somewhere over the rainbow at Unity In Marin in Novato – because, let's face it, there is no place like home!

The Celebration will feature live music, entertainment, delicious food, sparkling wines and mimosas, garden reception and an inspiring **Awards Ceremony** recognizing *Youth Courage, Transgender Courage,* and *Community Partner Courage*. Proceeds will support the Center's growth, beginning with the new LGBTQ+ youth program called **Q-Nest** and resources to help students at Marin schools.

After the Spahr Center closed in 2024, a large group of dedicated volunteers led by Rev. Janie Spahr and William Otton, successfully launched the Marin LGBTQ+ Center. Our Center is dedicated to creating a community where all people are valued, respected and empowered to live with authenticity and pride, while providing a safe haven and hub for connections, support and activities in Marin.

Our Marin LGBTQ+ Center is eager to acknowledge your support through our website, social media and other communications reaching more than 1,000 local supporters, benefits include:

**Presenting Sponsors** (\$10,000) **Reserved** by *Marin Community Foundation Unity In Marin* 

**Visionary** (\$5,000) – 8 tickets, prominent recognition in all media releases, online and direct mail invitations; logo, link to your company on website; and *on-stage recognition* at event

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**True Friend** (\$500) – 2 tickets, recognition online and direct mail invitations; listing of your company on website; and *program recognition* at event

Please join us! Enclosed is a Sponsor sign-up form. For questions, please contact us at <a href="mailto:events@marinLGBTQcenter.org">events@marinLGBTQcenter.org</a> or 628-285-9005.

Thank you in advance for your participation!

Sherrie Holmes & Julie Beach

William Otton

Co-Chairs, Celebration Event Committee

**Board President** 

PS. Please sign-up ASAP to receive maximum benefits and visibility! The **deadline** to be listed in our event *invitation* is **Aug 25**<sup>th</sup> and the **deadline** to be listed in our event *program & signage* is **Oct 15**<sup>th</sup>.



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## Deadline for listings in invitation is Aug 25; for listings in program is OCT 15 Thank you for your sponsorship gift!

Please mail checks to: Marin LGBTQ+ Center, 936 B Seventh Street, #235, Novato, CA 94945

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Note: All gifts are tax deductible, less \$35 per ticket utilized.

For questions or to respond via email: events@marinLGBTQcenter.org or 628-285-9005