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**Martha's Village and Kitchen**

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**Martha's Village & Kitchen \$5 Million Dollar Capital Campaign Closing Celebration**

Martha's Village & Kitchen was joined by a festive crowd of more than 75 supporters for the \$5 Million Dollar Capital Campaign Celebration Event held on Monday, March 18, 2019 at the Classic Club in Palm Desert, CA.

Brian Amidei, Board Member of Martha's Village & Kitchen and CEO of Fortem Financial, thanked all of the attendees for their support in helping raise much needed funds to meet the \$5 Million Dollar goal of the Renewing Hope Rebuilding Lives Campaign. Linda Barrack, President and CEO of Martha's Village & Kitchen followed with enthusiasm sharing with the attendees "We are deeply grateful for all of your time and support, whether that support came in the form of a generous donation, your precious time or your valuable wisdom. The success of Renewing Hope, Rebuilding Lives would not have been possible without the support of so many."

At the close of the presentation, the video of Stephanie Minor, Vice President of Martha's Village & Kitchen that won best fast pitch at the RAP Foundation Fast Pitch Competition was shown as a reminder to the group, exactly how far the organization has come since the launch of the Capital Campaign only two short years ago.

The Renewing Hope Rebuilding Lives Campaign was launched in November 2017 with a focus on four key initiatives; Childcare and Child Development, Food Services, Culinary and Job Training and Building Improvements and Safety Upgrades. Each of these initiatives would allow Martha's to continue to offer programs and services to our local neighbors in need, when they need it the most.

**About Martha's Village and Kitchen**

Martha's Village & Kitchen is one of the largest providers of homeless services in the Coachella Valley and Riverside County. Almost a quarter of a million meals are provided by Martha's to those in need each year. Martha's Village & Kitchen offers programs based on the nationally recognized "continuum of care model." Programs include Emergency Housing, Food Services, Children's Services, Career and Education, Healthcare, Case Management and Emergency Assistance. Martha's Village & Kitchen serves neighbors in need by responding to their needs with food, clothing, shelter and an opportunity to become self-sufficient by affirming their dignity with respect, support and compassion.

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