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Sisters Place's Annual Wine Tasting Event Celebrates 15th Anniversary

Pittsburgh nonprofit's signature event to support local families will be March 2nd

Pittsburgh, PA (February 9, 2017) – Sisters Place, a supportive housing community committed to assisting single parent families who are homeless in Southwestern Pennsylvania, is raising a glass in the name of charity on March 2, 2017, at its 15th Annual Crushed Grapes Wine Tasting event. Featuring the finest of wines, specialty beer, delicious hors d'oeuvres by local restaurants, "live" music and a wide range of silent auction items, this year's event aims to please both wine enthusiasts and those simply interested in helping the homeless families among us just by having a great time. This special event will be held at PPG Wintergarden at 1 PPG Place on Thursday, March 2, 2017 from 5:30 pm to 9 pm.

"This event provides nearly 10% of our annual budget and we are very grateful for the many people and businesses who sponsor Crushed Grapes or provide the amazing food" said Sister Mary Parks, executive director for Sisters Place.

"Special thanks to Jones Day for being such a generous and faithful sponsor!"

To ensure participants have a memorable experience, local wine expert Cory Hart will be on hand to answer questions as guests navigate the array of featured wines. For wine lovers, there will be plenty of varietals to enjoy, including the finest Chardonnays, Pinot Noirs, Cabernets and many more. There will also be beers poured by Vecenie Distributing Company, Western Pennsylvania's Premier Craft Beer provider. Food Station hosts offering delicious samples include Bar Marco, Braddock's, Breezy's Bakery, City Gourmet, Eadie's, Gianna Vias, Grounds & Hounds Coffee, Market Street Grocery, One Classy Cook, Pastitsio, Penn Mac, Phatgirlzacookin, Pretzel Crazy, Ricci's, Streets on Carson and more!

Back by popular demand is the delightful music of Tony Campbell and Jazz Surgery, who have entertained attendees of Crushed Grapes for years. The silent auction will offer a number of enticing outings, gift certificates, event tickets, jewelry, autographed sports memorabilia, golf outings, and much more!

In addition to fine food and drink, there are a limited number of available VIP tickets for this year's Crushed Grapes event. For \$100, VIP ticket holders will be able to enter the event a half hour early to enjoy a special champagne and sparkling wine tasting, as well as a chance to win fabulous prizes in an exclusive drawing. General admission tickets are now on sale for \$65 in advance and \$75 at the door. To order tickets and/or for additional details, please visit www.sistersplace.org. Groups of ten or more should contact the office to hear about ticket savings.

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About Sisters Place

Founded in 1993 by a group of 14 Catholic religious communities, Sisters Place offers subsidized housing for families transitioning out of homelessness and provides intensive in-home supportive services including case management, parenting education and family activities. Thanks in large part to fundraising events, including Crushed Grapes, Sisters Place supports 32 formerly homeless families on a daily basis. 90 percent of the families leaving Sisters Place are able to transition safely into independent housing. Visit www.sistersplace.org for more information.

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