

Community leaders Susie and Scott Bender honored at Seven Acres Gala



Seven Acres president Michael Feinstein, Scott Bender, Susie Bender and CEO Barry Goldstein.

Seven Acres “Back Together...and it feels so good” 2023 gala was the first opportunity in three years for supporters to come together in person to raise funds while enjoying an unforgettable evening in the ballroom of the Hilton Americas-Houston.

The gala honored community leaders Susie and Scott Bender with the Joyce Proler Schechter Spirit of Life Award for their many years of service and support of the Houston community and Seven Acres.

The event – held Sunday, Jan. 29 – raised more than \$1.5 million for the care of the elderly who reside at Seven Acres. More than 650 guests were in attendance.

Seven Acres board members, Steve Estrin and his wife, Denise, and Robert Caplan and his wife, Alyse, co-chaired the gala. Honorary chairs were Bebe and John Falik. Auction chair was Diane Kaminsky.

Rejoicing in the success of the 2023 gala, Michael Feinstein remarked, “We have been receiving so many accolades on our 2023 gala. We are hearing from all who attended that, not only was this one of the most financially successful galas that we have held, but it was by far the most fun. What a wonderful way to enter our 80th year of service to the elderly and elder disabled of the Texas Gulf Coast.” □