



Ending homelessness in New York.

Common Ground Holds 10th Annual Celebrating Home + Community Gala

*Non-Profit Developer of Supportive Housing
Honors Capital One Bank's Michael C. Slocum*

NEW YORK – October 25, 2012 – Common Ground, one of the nation’s leading developers and managers of supportive housing, held its 10th annual Celebrating Home + Community gala on October 24 at Guastavino’s in New York City. The gala celebrated the recent completion of three new Common Ground buildings and 261 units of housing for formerly homeless and low-income residents.

The gala’s honoree was Michael C. Slocum, President of Commercial Banking and Northeast Regional President, Capital One Bank. Mr. Slocum was recognized for a career in finance that has helped numerous organizations like Common Ground. As one of the nation’s top ten affordable housing lenders, Capital One Bank has partnered with Common Ground to help create supportive and affordable housing for local New York residents. Last year, Capital One Bank provided more than \$23 million in specialized financing to support the development of the Hegeman, a 161-unit affordable housing development with supportive services for formerly homeless and low-income individuals in Brownsville, Brooklyn. The bank also recently awarded Common Ground a multi-year grant to fund a full-time tenant service staff member focused on providing financial literacy and employment services to the Hegeman’s residents and community members.

“Thanks to good corporate citizens like Capital One Bank, Common Ground now boasts a portfolio of 16 buildings and serves more than 4,5000 individuals each year,” said Common Ground Board Chairman Jamie Rubin. “This year’s gala raised TTKK in private donations to help Common Ground continue to grow its portfolio and the impact that this organization has on the communities we serve.”

“This was a very big year for Common Ground, with the opening of three new buildings, but our vision for the future is even greater as we continue the quest to end homelessness and build communities,” said Common Ground Executive Director Brenda Rosen. “As our mission grows to include affordable housing and community development, the support of Capital One Bank and so many others is vital.”

About Common Ground

Common Ground is a nationally respected leader in efforts to end homelessness and one of the largest developers and managers of supportive housing in the nation. It also operates, under contract with the NYC Department of Homeless Services, outreach programs that target people living on the streets in parts of Manhattan and all of Brooklyn and Queens. For additional information, visit www.commonground.org.

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