

Sweet Home Chicago

Sunday, December 13, 2026

10am to 1pm

Four Seasons Hotel Chicago



ABOUT OUR MISSION

Saving Children

- According to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, each year 7 million children witness domestic violence.
- WINGS Children's Program gives survivors a new life through knowledge and healing.
- In 2025, WINGS provided 118,761 nights of safe shelter to adults and their children, and 12,138 hours of children and family services.



2023 SHC, Buddy the Elf and Santa

The mission of WINGS Program, Inc. is to provide housing, integrated services, education and advocacy to end domestic violence.

RITA AND JOHN CANNING



Sweet Home Chicago, WINGS premier holiday fundraiser, began in 2004 with a simple but heartfelt idea from longtime volunteer **Sheila King**. What started as a small gathering quickly grew into a beloved tradition for families looking to celebrate the season together. Thanks to early event co-chair **Elizabeth Cole**, the brunch found its home at the Four Seasons Hotel Chicago—where it has flourished and become known as **Chicago's largest holiday brunch fundraiser**.

The extraordinary leadership and generosity of **Rita and John Canning** have shaped Sweet Home Chicago into the event it is today. Their dedication has helped raise more than **\$13.5 million** to support families staying in WINGS emergency Safe Houses. This year, we're excited to bring back all the favorite traditions—gingerbread house decorating, balloon artists, visits with Santa, K 9 Comfort Dogs, and a special musical performance by **Ralph's World**—along with a few fun themed surprises.

We hope you will consider joining us as a sponsor. Your support makes a meaningful difference, and we look forward to celebrating the holidays together.



2025 Host Committee, from left to right, Danelle Parker, Bradley DeHaan, Jess Canning, Mrs. Claus, Rebecca Darr, Beth Canning Lupo, Santa, Rita Canning, Shea Mausser, Maria Braham, Sheila King

EVENT HOST COMMITTEE

Kristina Baker
Katherine Banich
Jess Canning
Beth Canning Lupo
Elizabeth Denison

Bradley DeHaan
Sheila King
Meghan Norton
Danelle Parker
Elise Schmitt
Maria Shideler



SPONSORSHIP BENEFITS

Help support WINGS Sweet Home Chicago fundraiser by joining us as a sponsor!
We have attached the sponsor levels available, and thank you for your consideration.

\$50,000

PRESENTING SPONSOR

- Two VIP tables of 10 to attend in person or skip package and have brunch and activities delivered to WINGS families in our Safe House
- Listed as Presenting Sponsor in all event print and digital marketing materials (For invitations, if confirmed by October 31st)
- Full page listing on day of event program/coloring book
- Special recognition on social media and on website
- Thanked in event e-mail communication to over 10,000 donors
- Special recognition during the event and thanked on sponsor slide show

\$25,000

LEAD SPONSOR

- One table of 10 to attend in person or skip package and have brunch and activities delivered to WINGS families in our Safe House
- Listed as Lead Sponsor in all event print and digital marketing materials (For invitations, if confirmed by October 31st)
- Shared full page listing on day of event program/coloring book
- Special recognition on social media and on website
- Thanked in event e-mail communication to over 10,000 donors
- Special recognition during the event and thanked on sponsor slide show

\$15,000

GINGERBREAD SPONSOR

- One table of 10 to attend in person or skip package and have brunch and activities delivered to WINGS families in our Safe House
- Listed as Gingerbread Sponsor in all event print and digital marketing materials (For invitations, if confirmed by October 31st)
- Recognized on day of event program/coloring book
- Special recognition on social media and on website
- Thanked in event e-mail communication to over 10,000 donors
- Thanked on sponsor slide show

\$12,000

GUM DROP SPONSOR

- One table of 10 to attend in person or skip package and have brunch and activities delivered to WINGS families in our Safe House
- Listed as Gum Drop Sponsor in all event print and digital marketing materials (For invitations, if confirmed by October 31st)
- Recognized on day of event program/coloring book
- Thanked on social media and on website
- Thanked on sponsor slide show

\$6,000

CANDY CANE SPONSOR

- 5 tickets to attend in person or skip package and have brunch and activities delivered to WINGS families in our Safe House
- Listed as Candy Cane Sponsor in most event print and digital marketing materials (For invitations, if confirmed by October 31st)
- Recognized on day of event program/coloring book



K-9 Comfort Dog Ministry,
SHC 2022



(from left to right)
Ellaine Sambo-Reyther and Alex
Reyther with their sons, SHC 2012





SWEET HOME CHICAGO

Sponsorship Form

☐ Yes! Please reserve my sponsorship at the following level:

☐ \$50,000 Presenting Sponsor

☐ \$12,000 Gum Drop Sponsor

☐ \$25,000 Lead Sponsor

☐ \$6,000 Candy Cane Sponsor

☐ \$15,000 Gingerbread Sponsor

☐ I am unable to participate, but please include me as a sponsor as indicated above, or accept my contribution of \$_____

Contact Information

Name: _____

Company Name (if applicable): _____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Payment Information

☐ Enclosed is my check made payable to WINGS Program, Inc.

☐ Please charge my credit card

Card # _____

Exp. Date: _____ CVC: _____

Name on card: _____

Signature: _____



(from left to right)
Dorian Carter and Rebecca Darr,
SHC 2018

Please mail or e-mail this form to:

WINGS Program, Inc.

Attn: Nikki Katrodia

P.O. Box 95615

Palatine, IL 60095

E-mail: nkatrodia@wingsprogram.com



(from left to right)
Ann and Doug Grissom, SHC 2017

Questions: Please call Nikki Katrodia at 847-519-7820 ext. 233

Funds raised at the event will help WINGS provide safety, security and housing for hundreds of families and their children fleeing domestic violence.