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 to advance the health and well being of our community.

Community West Foundation.... Fanning the Flames of Hope

In awarding \$3.2 million in grants to local charitable and community service organizations through December, Community West Foundation celebrated a year of caring at its Illuminating Hope ceremonial dinner at Westwood Country Club Dec. 12. The evening also welcomed new board members and celebrated the Foundation's progress.

Incoming Chair for 2013, William W. Baker, captured the essence of the Community West mission, defining the Foundation as a "well-recognized center of benevolence for the health and well being of our community and illuminating hope for the needy."

"I am very proud of our long list of our grantees The Cleveland Foodbank, North Coast Health Ministry, Malachi House, Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry, Youth Challenge and many others," he said. He lauded "the great momentum of our Foundation and our desire and goal to perpetuate this force of Illuminating Hope."

The theme of "Illuminating Hope" is one often referenced by Community West Foundation President and CEO, David T. Dombrowiak. A ceremonial candle lit as the dinner opened, said Dombrowiak, "represents the symbolic 'Flame of Hope' that we all carry within our hearts."

Retiring from his role as Grants Committee Chair is Harry A. Zilli, Jr. whose 2005-2012 tenure saw Community West Foundation distribute over \$37 million in grants to west side charitable causes. Mr. Zilli began his service with the Fairview Foundation Board in 1986. He remains with Community West Foundation as a Life Trustee.

Mr. Zilli's zeal for hands-on service is one of distinction. His leadership of the grants committee on-site

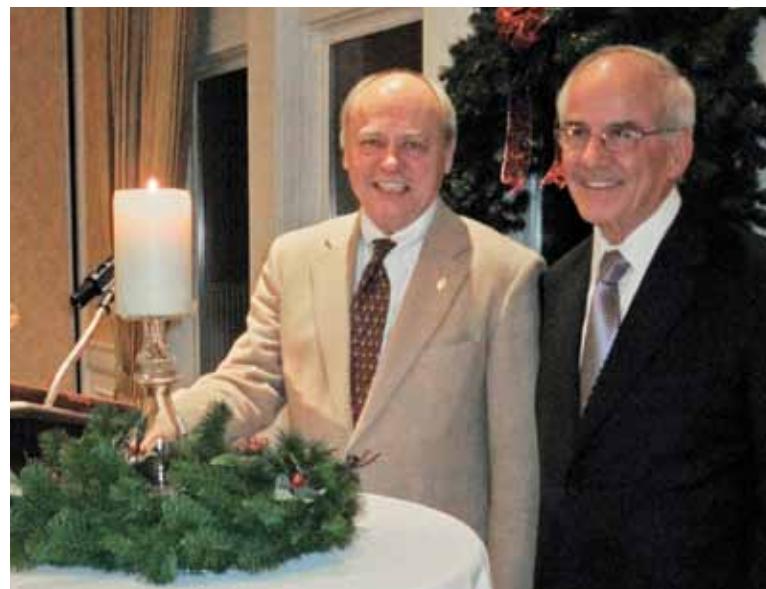
visits allowed Foundation members to learn first-hand about the needs of the community. The Foundation's grants have resulted in over \$2.8 million meals for the hungry, 810,000 nights of shelter for the homeless, 530,000 instances of medical and mental health care as well as grants to Fairview and Lutheran Hospitals and community organizations totaling \$15.4 million.

Outgoing 2012 Chairs Henry Jacques and Charles A. Rini, Sr. were also recognized. "Tonight's celebration wouldn't be complete without acknowledging Henry Jacques time, generosity and commitment," said Mr. Dombrowiak. "And, Charles Rini has placed footprints on our foundation that have been wide, deep and lasting."

Four community leaders have also been added to the Board of Trustees: Daniel P. Filippi, Patrick J. Mulloy, Dr. Joyesh Raj and Michael G. Romanello. "They bring a wealth of talent and expertise to our efforts," said Mr. Dombrowiak. "I was very impressed that each one asked about all the requirements of being a Board member, which indicates their sense of commitment to our organization and of our work on behalf of the our community."

Looking ahead to 2013 and beyond, Community West Foundation is poised for growth as a vibrant agency of community care.

"We measure our successes by the number of people who have been helped by the Community West Foundation - whether they are the hungry, the unemployed,



David T. Dombrowiak, President and CEO, Community West Foundation, with William W. Baker, 2013 Chair of the Board.

our vulnerable senior citizens, those with disabilities, those without medical care, or our children who suffer from neglect," said Mr. Dombrowiak.

In closing David Dombrowiak quoted Dorothy Day's words:

"The mystery of the poor is this: that they are Jesus, and what you do for them you do for him."

He added, "Let us continue to be exemplars of these memorable words and follow the divine law of obligation to our brothers and sisters who are suffering, distressed, and destitute."

New Community West Foundation Board of Trustees Members



Patrick J. Mulloy with his wife, Laura.



Michael G. Romanello



Dr. Joyesh Raj and his wife, Dr. Kelly Raj.



Daniel P. Filippi and his wife, Peg.

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