



### "Crowe Cares" Employee Volunteer Day at MercyFirst

Last month we welcomed a group of volunteers from **Crowe LLP** who spent the afternoon giving our Syosset campus a facelift with paint and decorative ceiling tiles. The team was participating in a company wide day of volunteering called "Crowe Cares". We thank our Board of Trustees Chair Brian Hecker, Partner at Crowe LLP, for initiating this partnership. Crowe is the **2023 Corporate Honoree** at this years' Angel of Hope Gala.







**Photeine Anagnostopoulos** 

**Keith Little** 

**Harold Thomas** 

### Photeine Anagnostopoulos, Keith Little and Harold Thomas Join the Board of Trustees

MercyFirst would like to welcome three new members to the 2023-2024 Board of Trustees. **Photeine Anagnostopoulos** brings to MercyFirst her experience as a senior executive in non-profit and for-profit educational organizations. Most recently she served as deputy chancellor for finance and technology and chief operating officer of the New York City Department of Education. **Keith Little** joins the board with more than 30 years of experience at state, city, and nonprofit organizations, and with the provision of mental health, health care, child welfare, and juvenile justice programs. He recently held the role as President & CEO of SCO Family of Services. Having previously served on our board for 14 years, **Harold Thomas** is rejoining following a one-year absence. Mr. Thomas is a fixed-income research analyst for Schroders Investment Management, and has more than 25 years of experience in the finance sector.

#### Read our full press release here.



## Youth Receive Friendly Visit from Suffolk County Police Department

Teens in our group home program had a fun afternoon with Officers from Suffolk County Police Community Relations Bureau. The officers spent time with the youth answering questions, speaking about their jobs and even let the teens sit in the drivers seat of the police car and explore the equipment!



# Teen Parent & Baby Program Staff Volunteer Spotlight

The awesome team from our Teen Parent & Baby Program, **Kia, Halimtou, ShellyAnn** and **Jahqueya** volunteered their time helping in the warehouse of one of our partners and a great organization called Little Essentials.

Little Essentials offers at-risk families living in poverty urgently needed children's supplies and parenting education. MercyFirst is grateful for the support they have provided to our Teen Parent & Baby program.



#### Save the Date: Angel of Hope Gala

Join us on October 26, 2023 for our Angel of Hope Gala, at the Rainbow Room, Rockefeller Center in NYC, as we honor **Crowe**, our Corporate Honoree. Funds raised will help MercyFirst provide children and families in need with safe opportunities for hope, healing and a brighter future. There are many ways to participate, sponsor and support our important work through this event.

Visit: www.mercyfirst.org/aoh

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