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**Eat, drink, and make a difference at Community Bridges' Farm to Fork Gala Dinner**

Community Bridges invites the public to enjoy a locally sourced, gourmet dinner by renowned Bay Area Chef Jonathan Leiva, along with live music and award-winning wine and beer. This is Community Bridges first agency-wide event, providing support to all 10 of the organization's programs that together, serve 27,000 children, families and seniors in Santa Cruz County each year.

The Community Bridges Farm to Fork Gala Dinner will be held on Saturday, July 30 from 5:30 to 10pm at Aptos Village Park, 100 Aptos Creek Road, Aptos, CA 95003.

This event features live music from Olde Blue, a live auction (including a signed Steph Curry jersey), beer from World Beer Cup winners Discretion Brewing, wine from our region, and a multiple-course, locally sourced dinner by Chef Jonnatan Leiva, a Chronicle Rising Star Chef honoree.

Leiva trained with top chefs in Paris, New York, and throughout the Bay Area. He served as executive chef at the Jack Falstaff restaurant in San Francisco, guest chef at the James Beard Foundation Dinner, and ran kitchens at high-profile restaurants in New York including 10 Downing, The Lion, and Saxon+Parole. Leiva recently moved back to Northern California where he has been working to open his own brick-and-mortar location the Bay Area, all while consulting for top restaurants like Penrose in Oakland, the Thomas in Napa, and the online social dining start-up, Eatwith.

All proceeds will support the 10 programs of Community Bridges: Elderday Adult Day Health Care, Meals on Wheels for Santa Cruz County, Lift Line, Child & Adult Care Food Program, Child Development Division, Women, Infants & Children (WIC), La Manzana Community Resources, Live Oak Community Resources, Mountain Community Resources, and Nueva Vista Community Resources

The Community Bridges Farm to Fork Gala Dinner is proudly sponsored by System Studies, California Giant Berry Farms, Santa Cruz County Bank, LPL Financial, Bay Federal Credit Union, Tilapia Film, Hive Event Planning & Design, Santa Cruz County Parks, Watsonville Coast Produce, Inc., and Lakeside Organic Gardens.

Tickets and full information for the event are available online — including the menu, auction items, and parking information — at <http://CBFarmtoFork.eventbrite.com>. Tickets are \$125 per person, \$750 for a table of 6, or \$1,200 for a VIP table of 8.

### **ABOUT COMMUNITY BRIDGES**

Community Bridges is a local nonprofit with ten human services programs across twenty locations throughout Santa Cruz County. Each year, they support more than 27,000 local children, families and seniors in need. Together, Community Bridges empowers seniors, increases access to medical care and good nutrition, and gives children a better chance at life through education and family support.

The Community Bridges family of programs includes: Meals on Wheels for Santa Cruz County; Elderday Adult Day Health Care; Lift Line; Child Development Division; Child & Adult Care Food Program; Women, Infants & Children (WIC); La Manzana Community Resources; Live Oak Family Resource Center; Nueva Vista Family Resource Center; and Mountain Community Resources.

To learn more, please visit [www.communitybridges.org](http://www.communitybridges.org).