

Changing Lives and Generations to Come

May 2025, Q1

On April 10, 2025, Petra Cares hosted its signature gala, Changing Lives and Generations to Come, at The Revaire in Houston—a powerful evening of generosity, celebration, and community. Thanks to the incredible support of our sponsors, donors, board members, and host committee, the event raised over \$600,000 to support foster youth and at-risk young adults overcoming homelessness and other life challenges.

Guests enjoyed a vibrant reception and silent auction to kick off the evening, followed by a gourmet seated dinner and an impactful program. The event was emceed by the always-energetic Johnny Bravo, with live music from Cool Freddie E & The Crew adding to the festive atmosphere.

We were honored to welcome Mattress Mack as our guest speaker, whose message of resilience and service resonated deeply with our mission. We also recognized Chuck Kramer and The Honorable Judge Eric Andell as our distinguished Guests of Honor. A highlight of the night was getting to know Petra Cares graduate Eli, who shared his powerful journey and the impact Petra Cares has had on his life.

The evening also featured a spirited live auction, a competitive game of “Heads or Tails,” and countless moments of inspiration. It was a night that brought together leaders, advocates, and changemakers—all united in our mission of unlocking purpose for the vulnerable.

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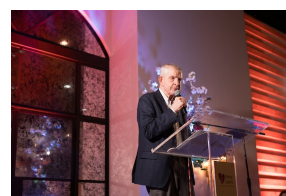
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Cohorts #10 and #11

In January, we launched Cohort 10, and we are thrilled to announce that seven young men graduated and received their intro to Automotive Technology Certificate! They're now thriving and working across Houston in places like Mac Haik Dodge, Mac Haik Toyota in League City, and Gullo Toyota in Conroe. Let's celebrate their resilience and wish them success in their new careers!

Currently, we are in the final week of Cohort 11, focusing on essential life skills like conflict resolution, goal setting and budgeting to ensure lasting job success. We are especially thankful for Regions Bank who will join us for a full day of financial literacy training. We're proud to graduate eight students from this cohort – stay tuned for updates on their achievements!





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