



Rising Stars

CELEBRATION OF HOPE

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FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH OF OAKLAND
685 14TH STREET, OAKLAND, CA 94612

The **RISING STARS CELEBRATION OF HOPE** honors participants from BOSS programs—people overcoming homelessness, poverty, incarceration or justice system involvement, domestic or community violence, and systemic inequities—who have used BOSS services to achieve health, education, training, employment, and housing goals!

By becoming a sponsor, you can show your support for their efforts and reap benefits for your company! Sponsors will be featured in digital and print media, press outreach, on signage and materials at the event, and thanked at the podium. Specific benefits are outlined on the attached sheet.

The **RISING STARS CELEBRATION OF HOPE** is a one-of-a-kind Annual Event attended by over 200 community members, including civic and business leaders, elected officials, press, and community members. It is an inspiring celebration of strength, hope, and grace, shining a spotlight on community members who are **TURNING THEIR LIVES AROUND!**

Rising Stars Voices

"I carried a lot of doubt when I first came to BOSS. Completing my education and being recognized as a Rising Star helped me see my future clearly. That night was about where I'm going." —**Brittany 2025 RS Honoree**

"Yes, I became employed, but I also gained confidence and a sense of permanence. BOSS helped me believe I could build something long-term. Being honored at Rising Stars showed my family what's possible when someone invests in you and doesn't give up." —**Adelya 2025 RS Valedictorian**

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