Lawrence YMCA Capital Expansion Project – Growing Together

On Thursday evening June 13th, Kristine and Kevin McLellan treated 80 guests, friends and Merrimack Valley YMCA stakeholders to a wonderful gathering to emphasize the importance of supporting the Lawrence YMCA Capital Expansion Project – Growing Together.

The evening, which was held at the McLellan’s lovely, historic home in North Andover (also the home of the first Surgeon General of Massachusetts) was an opportunity for the community to learn about this exciting project that will transform the Lawrence YMCA.

Both Mayor Daniel Rivera and the current reigning Miss Massachusetts – Gabriela Taveras were on hand to advocate on behalf of the YMCA and the essential access it provides to the Lawrence community.

Haverhill Resident Jackie Marte Named 2019 Unsung Heroine

Haverhill resident Jackie Marte has been named one of 2019’s “Unsung Heroines” by the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women, in honor of her non-profit work across the Merrimack Valley.

Marte was recently honored at a ceremony at the Massachusetts State House, recognizing extraordinary women from across the Commonwealth. She was nominated for the recognition by State Senator Diana DiZoglio (D-Methuen).

“As co-founder of the non-profit Suenos Basketball, Jackie has helped countless children in the Merrimack Valley develop the skills needed to succeed both in and out of the classroom,” said DiZoglio. “Moreover, as a member of the Merrimack Valley Project, a group of regional faith, labor and community leaders, Jackie has done extraordinary work taking action on economic and social justice issues and been dedicated to helping those battling addiction in this opioid epidemic.”

“It is a blessing and honor to be nominated as an Unsung Heroine by Senator DiZoglio,” said Marte. “She is a tireless leader and advocate for her community.”