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EAST HOUSE RECEIVES COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

East House has received the Brighton Chamber of Commerce 2008 Community Service award for an organization. President James Sorrentino accepted the award at the Chamber's Annual Spring awards luncheon, held at Mario's Italian Steak House on May 22nd.

Recognized for quality service to Rochester and Monroe County since 1966, East House employs 130 people and serves 1300 clients each year, providing services to those recovering from mental illness and chemical dependency. East House is officed in Brighton and operates nine group homes, several apartments and three additional offices in the City of Rochester.

"We appreciate this recognition from the Brighton Chamber of Commerce," said Sorrentino, as he accepted the award from Chamber President Andrew Dollinger. "We are proud to serve clients from all walks of life, in Brighton and throughout Monroe County, who are affected by mental illness or chemical dependency. We help clients to live healthier, more productive lives.

Additionally, East House was founded by three well-known residents of Brighton: Hettie Shumway, Paul Wolk and the Honorable David Boehm. We thank you very much for this recognition, and for the Chamber's generous support of East House."

For the past two years, Chamber members have generously supported East House's Holiday Angel Project, donating hundreds of gifts to the children of East House clients.

Founded in 1966, East House is a private, nonprofit agency that provides rehabilitation, residential and support services to individuals recovering from mental illness and/or chemical dependency. East House is funded by New York State, Monroe County, United Way, client fees and donations. For more information, call **256-3800, ext. 213**.

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