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CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO

CONNECTIONS
OF HOPE

Be the Light

HONORING

Danny Sharaby
Owner/President Tickets Unlimited

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2025

OMNI MONTELUCCIA RESORT & SPA

6:00 PM

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“As a father of three grown daughters, I understand the challenges today’s youth are facing in an increasingly complex world. Supporting Teen Lifeline is incredibly important to me, and I’m deeply humbled by this honor. I remain committed to **helping teens know they are never alone.**”

- Danny Sharaby, 2025 Honoree

Danny Sharaby is a visionary entrepreneur, passionate advocate, and unwavering supporter of youth mental health. As **founder and president of Tickets Unlimited**, Danny has spent over four decades connecting people with unforgettable experiences—from concerts to sporting events. But it’s his deep commitment to community that truly sets him apart.

Danny and his wife, Jenna, are champions of Teen Lifeline’s mission. Their generosity and advocacy have empowered countless teens to know they are never alone—making a life-saving difference in moments of crisis.

As a devoted civic leader, Danny served on the Arizona Commission on the Arts for two terms (appointed by Governor Doug Ducey) and is an avid art collector. He also contributes his time and insight to the Camelback East Village Planning Committee, a role he’s held since 2015. He continues to play a leading role in the ticketing industry as Secretary of the National Association of Ticket Brokers, where he drives integrity and transparency.

Above all, Danny is a proud father of three grown daughters, whose presence continues to inspire his commitment to building a safer, more compassionate world for young people.

Whether in business, civic service, or philanthropy, Danny Sharaby leads with purpose, vision, and a dedication to creating lasting impact. We are proud to award him the **Community Lifeline Award** for his drive to build hope and save lives.

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As mothers who understand how much teens need hope, Co-Chairs Bonnie and Zenobia invite you to join them and **Be the Light** for teens in crisis.



Tonight changes tomorrow

Celebrate hope with Teen Lifeline through an evening of inspiring stories, live entertainment, delicious dining, exciting auctions, and an after party on the dance floor—knowing every dollar raised helps save young lives.

A COCKTAIL CHIC CHARITY GALA

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OMNI MONTELUCIA RESORT & SPA
4949 East Lincoln Drive

TICKETS

\$300 per seat

Sponsorships from
\$3,500 to \$100,000

FEATURING

Live performance by local teen artist Tia Penny

After party with DJ Hartbreaks

RSVP BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26



Scan this QR code for tickets & more

or visit teenlifeline.org/hope

or call 602-248-8337.

SPECIAL THANK YOU TO

Event Advisors Lana Breen, Irene Clary, Melissa Costello, Jeff Fields, Mandy Purcell, and Jen Reid

Event Planner Dottie Kobik

WHAT PROTECTING TEENS LOOKS LIKE

Every teen faces storms. The question isn't if challenges will come—it's whether they'll have an umbrella of support to help them weather it. You can **be the light that protects teens in your life** by fostering these protective factors against suicide:

CONNECTION

Build connection by being present and taking interest in who they are.

- Make space in your home for a teen's interests and find shared interests you can do together
- Create natural check-in points (car rides, dinners, family nights)
- Encourage school clubs, group activities, and community events

COPING SKILLS

Coping skills give teens ways to handle difficult feelings and events.

- Help them recognize emotions as they arise and identify situations that may cause big feelings
- Identify healthy outlets for stress, emotions, and self-expression
- Guide them through problem-solving instead of solving for them

SELF-ESTEEM

Teens need room to explore the question, "Who am I?" Create a safe space to develop self-esteem.

- Validate their feelings and identity
- Recognize that even if something is "just a phase," it's real to them
- Watch your words—how you talk about yourself and others becomes a teen's inner voice

ACCESS TO CARE

Teach teens how to recognize when help is needed and how to get help.

- Normalize talking about mental health—it shows they can talk about it with you if they need to
- Identify safe sources of outside support (counselor, library, etc.)
- List resources like Teen Lifeline in an easy-to-see place (e.g. fridge)

With this foundation, we're not just keeping teens safe in the moment—we're helping them build resilience for whatever comes next. After all, connections to caring adults can **reduce a teen's risk of suicidal thoughts by more than half**.

Learn more at teenlifeline.org/for-parents.

Your support helps us provide prevention education and outreach to nearly 500,000 people each year!

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