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**FAMILY RESIDENCES AND ESSENTIAL ENTERPRISES, INC. (FREE)
CEO INDUCTED INTO ANCOR FOUNDATION LEGACY LEADERS
CIRCLE**



2018 ANCOR FOUNDATION LEGACY LEADERS CIRCLE INDUCTEES

L to R: Michael Hutcherson; Rod Braun; Carol Beatty; John Severtson; Robert S. Budd; and Tim Sullivan. Chris Stevenson (not pictured).

OLD BETHPAGE, NY – Family Residences and Essential Enterprises, Inc. (FREE) is proud to announce that their CEO, Robert S. Budd, has been inducted into the 2018 ANCOR Foundation Legacy Leaders Circle. The More...

Legacy Leaders Circle recognizes ANCOR members who have made significant contributions to ANCOR and the broader disability and provider community during their tenure as an ANCOR member. These visionary leaders have not only helped shape and guide ANCOR over the past 48 years, but have made meaningful inclusive communities a reality for the countless Americans with disabilities. ANCOR members are part of a national association representing over 1,400 community service providers and 52 statewide provider associations supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities to fully participate in their communities.

The 2018 inductees into the Legacy Leaders Circle are:

- Carol Beatty, Maryland Department of Disabilities, Baltimore, Md.
- Rod Braun, Christian Opportunity Center, Pella, Iowa
- Robert S. Budd, Family Residences and Essential Enterprises, Inc., (FREE), Old Bethpage, N.Y.
- Mike Hutcherson, Rose & Kiernan, Inc., East Greenbush, N.Y.
- John Severtson, One Vision (retired), Clear Lake, Iowa
- Chris Stevenson, Cedar Lake, Louisville, Ky.
- Tim Sullivan, The Institute of Professional Practice, Inc., Concord, N.H.

“I am a proud member of ANCOR, and the work they do to develop leaders in our field,” said Robert S .Budd, CEO, FREE. “My fellow inductees in the 2018 Legacy Leaders Circle are some of the most dedicated in this field and I am humbled to be included among them and those who have preceded us,” he continued.

Family Residences and Essential Enterprises, Inc. (FREE)

Family Residences and Essential Enterprises, Inc. (FREE), founded in 1977, benefits and proudly supports more than 4,000 individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities, mental illness and traumatic brain injury. It is the mission of FREE to assist individuals of all abilities realize their full potential. FREE provides a diverse array of supports and services including: housing; recovery services; transition to work; employment; day, community and family services; respite; crisis services; education and after school support; specialty health services; and advocacy.

FREE also collaborates with a variety of diverse 501(c)(3) nonprofit partners on educational, vocational, rehabilitative and a myriad of other creative initiatives to enhance the local communities and the lives of more than 25,000 people that reside within them. Each of the valued partners of the FREE Network has a unique mission, vision and strategic goals that are aligned in purpose, and embody the spirit of the meaningful work we do every day. For more information, please call 516-870-7000 or visit www.familyres.org.

ANCOR Foundation

The ANCOR Foundation (www.ancorfoundation.org) is a 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to develop leaders through dynamic education and innovative practice to strengthen inclusive communities for people with disabilities. The Foundation supports a variety of leadership development and training efforts and honors individual leadership in the industry with its Legacy Leaders Circle awards.

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