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MEET THE ARTISTS RECEPTION FOR SPECIAL NEEDS ARTISTS WHO HAVE WORK ON EXHIBIT AT LENZ WINERY



Southold Town Supervisor Scott Russell (center) flanked by FREE Artists who have their Artwork on display at The LENZ Winery

OLD BETHPAGE, NY – Family Residences and Essential Enterprises (FREE) welcomed Southold Town Supervisor Scott Russell to their Old Bethpage headquarters recently where he met with special needs artists participating in their Fine Art and Art Therapy Programs who have their mixed media constructions exhibited at The **LENZ Winery** in Peconic. Supervisor Russell attended the exhibit at the **Lenz Winery** and was moved to

present the artists with citations for their hard work and vision.

"We thank Supervisor Russell for taking time out of his busy schedule to meet with our artists," said Robert S. Budd, Chief Executive Officer, FREE. "It's always special for our artists when their work is recognized by the greater community for what it really is – art."

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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 Family of FREE Network have a unique mission, vision and strategic goals that are aligned in purpose, and embody the spirit of the meaningful work we do every day.