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Los Angeles Family Housing 8th Annual Awards Dinner at Universal Studios-Hollywood

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Los Angeles Family Housing raised \$500,000 at the 8th annual L.A. Family Housing Awards. The event honored individuals for their commitment to promoting social justice and building a better community: Danny Glover, actor/producer/activist, David Fleming, Chair of the L.A. Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Alliance of the San Fernando Valley, and Oakwood School of North Hollywood.

The dinner offered a display of children's art work, painted by residents at L.A. Family Housing shelters. The theme for the night was, "Create a dream."

The evening started with a moving testament from Roosevelt Redmond and his family, former clients at L.A. Family Housing's Sydniey M. Imas Transitional Living Center, sharing how they went from homeless on Skid row to a three-bedroom apartment in L.A. Family Housing's newest affordable housing development. Glover said of



The LAFH award recipients..

Roosevelt, "Mr. Redmond had courage. But he represents but one of the hundreds and hundreds of people who face the dilemma of homelessness."

Fleming reiterated Glover's reflections, "Housing for the needy has

never been in more short supply than it is today, the numbers for the needy just keep growing."

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