

Grand Street Settlement Celebrates Centennial With Gala at Capitale



Former board member John Furth, center, with Executive Director Robert Cordero and other Grand Street board members.

On Nov. 16, [Grand Street Settlement](#) celebrated its 100th anniversary with a gala at Capitale, the event space on the Bowery.

The Lower East Side social services organization honored former board member John Furth, executives of Delancey Street Associates (the developers building Essex Crossing), Goldman Sachs and Sylvia Montero, immediate past president of Grand Street's board of directors. Deputy Mayor Alicia Glen and State Assembly member Yuh-Line Niou also attended.

The organization [will be opening](#) up a new 10,500 square foot senior center and a social enterprise cafe in a building at Delancey and Clinton streets. Delancey Street Associates is contributing about \$2 million for the build-out of both facilities. Ron Moelis of L+M Development Partners, Brandon Baron from BFC Partners and Charles Bendit of Taconic Investment Partners were all on hand for the festivities at Capitale.

Last year, we reported that Grand Street Settlement would soon begin a \$10 million capital campaign to renovate its headquarters at 80 Pitt St. The gala marked the kickoff of that campaign.

Grand Street Executive Director Robert Cordero said the organization is committed to “deepening its impact” in the “shape-shifting Lower East Side,” while continuing to expand its services in Brooklyn. “We rise up together as we begin our next century of service,” said Cordero.