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**ROBERT “BO” CHILTON HONORED  
WITH COMMUNITY SHELTER BOARD’S  
2022 NANCY JEFFREY ADVOCATE AWARD**

(Columbus, OH) – Community Shelter Board honored Bo Chilton and IMPACT Community Action with its 2022 Nancy Jeffrey Advocate Award. As one of the leading human service organizations fighting poverty in Franklin County, IMPACT made a historic mark to help renters access emergency rental assistance during the COVID-19 pandemic. They served over 25,000 households and distributed \$70M dollars to Columbus neighborhoods during the pandemic, preventing homelessness and preserving the safety net of shelters for those with no other options. IMPACT is on the frontline of the war on poverty and is dedicated to fighting poverty by providing hope-inspiring help and real opportunities for self-sufficiency.

A breakfast reception was held today at the Boathouse at Confluence Park, where a series of Community Shelter Board’s Founder Awards were presented by NBC4.

Community Shelter Board honors exemplary work among partner agencies with its Nancy Jeffrey Advocate Award. This annual award honors Nancy Jeffrey’s tireless activism on behalf of vulnerable people in our community. This award recognizes the efforts of professionals working directly with and for people facing homelessness.

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Bo Chilton, Michelle Heritage of Community Shelter Board, and the Honorable Erica Crawley of the Franklin County Board of Commissioners



Bo Chilton and the team from IMPACT Community Action

Community Shelter Board leads a coordinated, community effort to make sure everyone has a place to call home. CSB is the collective impact organization driving strategy, accountability, collaboration, and resources to achieve the best outcomes for people facing homelessness in Columbus and Franklin County. With the support of a compassionate community, our system of care served 15,000 people last year with homelessness prevention, shelter, street outreach, rapid re-housing, and permanent supportive housing.

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