



A joyful morning of togetherness, appreciation and pride. Sometimes, all the elements just come together.....

- A full house but not TOO crowded
- A smooth flow at the breakfast buffet
- A fetching color palette to beautify the ballroom
- Unique swag in the form of a tasteful tea towel
- A rapt and appreciative audience
- A charismatic emcee (McCaela Donovan, NPC's Associate Director)
- Youth Alive dancers performed with poise
- Two lovely legislators armed with Citations for the honorees
- Sponsor presenters delivering authentic, engaging and concise remarks
- Honoree videos that elicited tears, laughter & applause
- No technical glitches

Thanks to everyone who participated in this annual celebration!

See event photos at:

<https://client.triciamccormack.com/-berkshirenprofitawards>

See event video at:

[2025 BNA Awards Video](#)

"WOW!! What an incredible event you put together today. I was so warmed by the love and spirit of community in the room. Truly a beautiful experience."
— Samantha Anderson



Tuesday, May 20, 2025



Over 200 people gathered to celebrate the nonprofit sector
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Honorees from left to right: Pamela Conroy Breslen, Rachael Bentz, Jane Winn, Cynthia Farr Brown, Melissa Canavan, Lauren Smith, Chris Ciepiela
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2025 HONOREES

Board Leadership: **Cynthia Farr Brown**
Berkshire County Historical Society

Executive Leadership: **Melissa Canavan**
Berkshire Immigrant Center

Samya Rose Stumo Youth Leadership:
Rachael Bentz
AIRY (Arts in Recovery for Youth)

Rock Star: **Lauren Smith**
Fairview Hospital

Unsung Hero: **Chris Ciepiela**
Berkshire Horseworks

Volunteer: **Pamela Conroy Breslin**
Literacy Network

Lifetime Achievement: **Jane Winn**
Berkshire Environmental Action Team (BEAT)

Thank you!

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Shirley Edgerton and Coach Chyenne VanBramer with Youth Alive dancers enjoy the photo booth



Rep. Tricia Farley-Bouvier, BCC's Ellen Kennedy, and Jenn Kerwood of Miss Hall's



Lori Kiely (left) presented the Volunteer Award. Rep. Leigh Davis, Honoree Pamela Conroy-Breslin, and NPC founder Liana Toscanini



Latina ladies with Executive Leadership Honoree Melissa Canavan, 2nd from right



Berkshire Health Systems' Tony Scibelli, Rep. Leigh Davis, Rock Star Honoree Lauren Smith, and Robin McGraw (Black Rock Foundation)



McCaella Donovan (NPC Associate Director), Tom Sharpe (NPC Board Member), and photographer Tricia McCormack

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