

# THE THINK OF MICHAEL FOUNDATION



## 4TH ANNUAL THINK OF MICHAEL TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday, May 19th, 2023 • Four Points by Sheraton • Wakefield, MA

### Our Mission

The Foundation is dedicated to helping individuals and their families who are struggling with substance use disorder.

### Sober Home Scholarships

The Think of Michael Foundation has identified a real need that exists with people transitioning from detox and/or treatment to a sober house. Our goal is to enable those people who need and want to continue to aftercare and sober house living to have access to it.

Many do not have a job or the funds to take advantage of sober house living. It is for many people a critical component of their recovery. One that is not covered by insurance. Without a place to stay or not wanting to return to an environment that may have contributed to their disorder, living at a sober house provides them the structure and support necessary for them to transition to a life of sobriety.

We have established a network of clinicians and recovery coaches who refer individuals to us that they feel can truly benefit from sober house living. That is followed by a letter from the individual in which they share with us their background and why they think that a stay at a sober house will be beneficial to them. The cost per month for a sober house scholarship typically ranges from \$700 to \$1,000. The Foundation, through your continued generosity, has never denied an eligible applicant.

### MICHAEL'S STORY

Michael Dalton was smart, compassionate, and resilient. Growing up in Lynnfield, MA, he developed his passion for hockey and football. On and off the field and ice, he was a fierce competitor. He was a talented athlete. Playing for St. Sebastian's and then Colby College were his most memorable and special times.

More than his love of sports was his love for his family and friends. Those who knew him best remember his contagious smile paired with a magnetic personality.

He was a loving father to his son Mason, a devoted son to Richard and Carmela, an amazing brother to Stacey and Jamie, brother-in-law to Jonathan and cherished uncle to Madeline, Lucas and Ava. He was a nephew, a cousin and a great friend to all.

On January 13, 2018 Michael passed tragically from an opiate overdose while in outpatient treatment. Our hearts were shattered and none of us will ever be the same. As we still adjust to the reality of life without Michael, we, as a family, need to ensure that something good comes out of our greatest loss.

*Think of Michael and keep him in your thoughts and prayers,*

The Dalton & Cook Families

### SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

SPONSORSHIP LEVEL AMOUNT	Premiere \$5,000	Presenting \$2,500	Platinum \$1,200	Gold \$700	Silver \$350	Bronze \$200
SOBER LIVING SCHOLARSHIP	200 days	100 days	60 days	30 days	15 days	7 days
Co-branded Invitation	●					
Recognition by Emcee	●	●				
Logo in Program Book	●	●				
Name on Event T-Shirt	●	●	●			
Listing in Program Book	●	●	●	●		
Event Signage	●	●	●	●		
Press Release Recognition	●	●	●	●		
Social Media Recognition	●	●	●	●	●	●
Included in Newspaper Ad	●	●	●	●	●	●

### Beyond Scholarships

The Think of Michael Foundation has expanded beyond sober scholarships to include various other support services. Our outreach includes:

- Co-sponsor of the annual "Night of Hope" which draws hundreds from Lynnfield and the surrounding areas including many school-age children. This community event is not a fundraiser but rather an opportunity to come together for a march, a candlelight vigil and speakers sharing their experience, strength, and hope.
- Supporter of "Christmas at the Ruth Kelley House". Along with the Red Sox Foundation and others, we ensure that the residents enjoy the holiday. The Ruth Kelley House, part of the Dimock Center, is home to fourteen mothers in recovery and twenty-eight of their children.
- One of four nonprofits providing "Bags of Hope" with essential items along with notes of encouragement and resource information for women living on the street or in programs in MA and NH.
- Donated to Women's Recovery Court Session "Empowering Women in Recovery", an annual program hosted by the Malden/Cambridge District Court which encourages sisterhood among women in recovery.
- Supporter of Recovery on the Harbor providing food for Friendsgiving and sponsoring the center in a March Madness Cookoff between peer recovery centers.
- Sponsor of Humor on the Harbor, an annual comedy show event benefitting Recovery on the Harbor.
- Sponsor of No Lost Cause's annual Golf "Fore" Recovery charity tournament.
- Sponsor of two teams in the Recovery Basketball Tournament providing a positive social event for ten men in early recovery.
- Supported the opening of a much-needed women's sober home in Lowell by donating essential supplies.
- Donated a new outdoor grill to the Meridian House a 30-bed, co-ed therapeutic community in East Boston.
- Sponsor of monthly meetings of the Recovery Court Continued Support & Alumni Group providing food and social events for participants from the US District Court MA C.A.R.E. Program and six district recovery courts.
- Co-sponsor of the Adopt-a-Pole Campaign recognizing those lost to this disease through the hanging of personalized purple ribbons during National Recovery Month.
- Provided four scholarships to students of Lynnfield High School who have demonstrated resilience in overcoming adversity.

*Help us continue our mission by supporting  
The Foundation at our biggest event.  
All donations, whether it be money, raffle  
prizes, silent auction items, gift baskets, etc.,  
are very much appreciated*

**Think of Michael  
Trivia Night Tickets  
on sale at Eventbrite.com**

General Admission Ticket ... \$30.00  
Trivia & Admission Ticket ,,,... \$50.00  
Trivia Table for 10 ..... \$500.00

Complimentary Buffet Dinner  
& Cash Bar

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