



BEHIND THE MASK
Let the Light In



Sponsorship Opportunities

**CYN Counseling Center Invites you to Support our
Annual Gala.**

An evening to celebrate community, courage, and
the support that makes it all possible.

Saturday, September 26th, 2026

5:30 pm - 10:00 pm

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Lake Forest, IL 60045**

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About Us

Since 1978, CYN Counseling Center has been here for individuals and families seeking support, connection, and a way forward. Every day, children, teens, and adults come to us carrying anxiety, grief, trauma, or simply the need to talk, and they find care that meets them where they are.

As a nonprofit mental health center, CYN serves more than 3,400 individuals each year, many of whom would otherwise go without care. People connect with CYN through our partnerships in schools, community programs, and outreach across Lake County, as well as individuals, couples and families reaching out directly when they are looking for support.

Through counseling, mentoring, and family support, our team helps children, teens, and parents work through challenges and find practical ways to move forward.

This year's theme, Let the Light In, reflects the hope that comes with connection and care. With your support, we can continue expanding access and helping more people move forward with strength and possibility.



Vision



Our vision is a society where mental wellness is embraced, and all people have access to needed quality mental health resources; are treated with dignity and respect; and receive the support, tools, and services they need to grow and thrive.

Mission



Our mission is to provide and expand access to comprehensive, quality mental health services while increasing awareness and working to eliminate the stigma of mental health issues.



About The Event

Let the Light In

Behind the Mask is CYN's annual gala, an evening that brings together supporters, partners, and friends who believe that mental health care should be accessible and responsive to the needs of our community.

This year's event at the Deer Path Inn offers a chance to gather, connect, and learn more about the impact of CYN's work. Guests will enjoy great food and cocktails, time together, and moments that highlight the real stories behind the services we provide across Lake County.

Sponsoring the gala is a meaningful way to invest in mental health. Your support helps ensure that children, teens, and families can access counseling, school-based services, crisis support, and programs that strengthen families.

Each year, CYN reaches thousands of individuals through therapy in our offices and in schools, community-based programs, and family support services. Your sponsorship connects you with others who care deeply about expanding access and supporting mental wellness.

Together, we can help more people let the light in

Event Highlights

Be part of a community that believes mental health matters and is taking action to support it.

Connect with fellow supporters, local leaders, community members, and the CYN team for an evening of conversation and connection around the importance of mental health.

Enjoy a meaningful program that highlights the real impact of your support, with stories that reflect the importance of accessible mental health care.

Our Programs



Counseling and Psychotherapy

Comprehensive counseling tailored to the individual



School-based Therapy

In school individual and group therapy to support students



Growing Resilient Teens

Experiential therapeutic programs fostering social emotional skills



Keeping Families Intact

Working with DCFS to provide intensive case management for families



Nurturing Parenting Program

One-on-one and group parenting workshops to endorse healthy parenting



Therapeutic Mentoring

Mentoring for justice-involved youth to foster positive relationships



Employee Assistance

Lifespan employee assistance program for employers in the community



Violence Prevention

Restorative practices with local elementary, middle and high schools



Crisis Intervention

Temporary shelter and support for runaways and locked out youth

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EXCLUSIVE

Presenting

Exclusive event sponsor for mental wellness symbolizing hope and empowerment for individuals and communities.

Logo on evite and printed invitation

Exclusive Signage at the Gala

Opportunity to network with community leaders

Profile on our social media platforms

Verbal and logo recognition as exclusive partner during event program and event materials.

Inclusion as presenting sponsor in press and media coverage after the event.

Table for 10 to the Gala

\$10,000



Gold

Collective sponsor with other organizations fostering resilience and support for individuals in need.

Logo on evite and printed invitation

Listing on Signage at the Gala

Opportunity to network with community leaders

Listed on our social media platforms

Logo recognition during event program and listed in printed materials.

Inclusion in press and media coverage after the event.

10 Tickets to the Gala

\$5,000

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Silver

Collective sponsor with other organizations fostering resilience and support for individuals in need.

Logo on evite and printed invitation

Listing on Signage at the Gala

Opportunity to network with community leaders

Logo recognition during event program and listed in printed materials.

Listed on Social Media, event communications, and newsletter

6 Tickets to the Gala

\$2,500



Bronze

Collective sponsor with other organizations fostering resilience and support for individuals in need.

Logo on evite and printed invitation

Opportunity to network with community leaders

Logo recognition during event program.

Listed on Social Media, event communications, and newsletter

4 Tickets to the Gala

\$1,000



SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT

Organization: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

How would you like to be listed on the Website/Facebook/Printed Materials (please include hyperlink)? If blank, will be shown as "Anonymous".

In appreciation of your contribution, please select the appropriate recognition options from below:

- Presenting Sponsor \$10,000
- Gold Sponsor \$5,000
- Silver Sponsor \$2,500
- Bronze Sponsor \$1,000

We are grateful for your support!

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