

# Particle Accelerator

"Legends Live"

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April 5, 2018

Dear Friends,

We know, as you do, that suicide remains one of the leading causes of death in our country and the need for mental wellness programs and substance abuse treatment is more important now than ever.

We have supported Particle Accelerator in its efforts to raise awareness for suicide and depression for years and are proud to join the efforts this year as honorary chairpersons.

You can join us at Particle Accelerator 2018 on **Saturday June 9<sup>th</sup>** in the freshly renovated Rotary Park in downtown Putnam. While we loved our excursion to Main Street last year and may head back in the future, we are excited to bring our event back to the park for our 12<sup>th</sup> year.

Particle Accelerator: A Day of Music and Hope is a free concert featuring all genres of music for all ages. The annual festival's goal is to provide information and support for depression and suicide prevention, while promoting music and civic engagement as a healthy alternative to drug and alcohol abuse among young adults.

Last year, many generous local businesses reached out and sponsored Particle Accelerator. With their help, the event raised more than \$8,500 to support local mental health awareness and treatment.

Funds raised support United Services, Inc., Northeast Connecticut's non-profit Community Behavioral Health Center, in their mission to assist youth, adults and families in need of social and behavioral wellness programs.

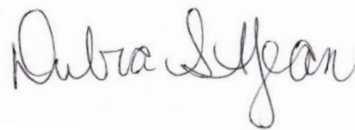
We hope you will take the time to consider and support this important effort to connect with young people, and all in our community, through the power of art and music. Previous proceeds have helped support programs such as United Services' 24 Hour Emergency Hotline and their Mental Health First Aid Training course.

Tax deductible contributions, as well as other donated items and in-kind support, are welcomed and greatly appreciated. For more information on how to support Particle Accelerator 2018, please read the enclosed packet or contact us at [info@particle.rocks](mailto:info@particle.rocks).

Thank you for taking the time to learn about this very important community event!



James St. Jean



Debra St. Jean

Particle Accelerator, Honorary Chairs



## Who We Are

Particle Accelerator is an annual benefit concert with two main goals:

1. Raise money in order to support United Services, Inc. of Dayville, CT in their mission of providing "an effective response to the youth, family and adult social and behavioral health needs in its community." Some programs we have supported are the 24 Hour Emergency Hotline and the Mental Health First Aid Training course.
2. Provide information and support for depression and suicide prevention, while promoting music and civic engagement as a healthy alternative to drug and alcohol abuse among young adults.

The event is run by a group of local residents, business owners and musicians who donate their time, money and talent in order to bring suicide and depression awareness to the forefront. Particle Accelerator began 2007 in response to the suicide of local youth and musician Jack Young Jr.; aka "The Legendary Jack Young Jr." When Jack Young Jr. told his family of his depression, they tried to get him help. But because Jack had no health insurance, he was turned away by local mental health clinics. Feeling hopeless, Jack Young Jr. committed suicide on his 27<sup>th</sup> birthday, May 8, 2007. It wasn't until after young Jack's death that his parents Grace Young and Jack Young Sr. discovered that United Services provided mental healthcare regardless of insurance status. Determined that no more parents should lose their son due to a lack of information, Jack Young Jr.'s family created Particle Accelerator to honor Jack's memory, spread awareness of suicide and depression, and raise funds to help United Services in all that they do for the community.

As word of the event spread, others whose lives had been touched by suicide joined the cause. In 2010, Particle Accelerator organizers began working with Putnam P.R.I.D.E, the Putnam Police Department and the Putnam Recreation Department to make the concert a town event in Putnam, Connecticut.

Particle Accelerator showcases local bands from a variety of genres. Some popular local bands that have donated their talent to Particle Accelerator are Billy Pilgrim, Circadium Rhythm, The Great Garage Band Reunion, Restless Souls, Kala Farnham and Element 42 to name just a few.



## Particle Accelerator 2018 Sponsorship Levels

Particle Accelerator offers many easy levels of sponsorship for Particle Accelerator 2018, our 12<sup>th</sup> Annual benefit concert slated to take place June 9, 2018 in Rotary Park in Putnam, CT. If you choose a sponsorship level of “Bronze” or higher, please be sure to email your logo to [artwork@particle.rocks](mailto:artwork@particle.rocks) no later than May 18, 2018.

**Title Sponsor.....\$5,000**

All of the below, plus recognition and logo in all QPR Suicide Prevention training program publicity and materials during the 2018/19 fiscal year.

**Showcase Sponsor.....\$1,000 or more**

All of the below, plus your business logo on the stage during the event.

**Premiere Sponsor.....\$750 or more**

All of the below, plus a social media post on our page with your logo and small write-up about your business.

**Gold Sponsor.....\$500**

All of the below, plus your logo on the event T-shirt.

**Silver Sponsor.....\$300**

All of the below, plus your logo on our website.

**Bronze Sponsor..... \$150**

Your business name on the Wall of Sponsors and an individual lawn sign with your business logo to be displayed in Putnam, CT along the roadside the day of the event.

**Friend of Particle..... \$50**

Your business name on the Wall of Sponsors.

The attached Pledge Form may also be accessed online at [www.particle.rocks](http://www.particle.rocks). Please make checks payable to United Services, Inc. Tax deductible contributions, as well as other donated items and in-kind support, are welcomed and greatly appreciated. Thank You for Your Support!

**United Services, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit. All donations are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law.**



## 2018 DONATIONS FORM

For more information and other payment options, please visit [www.particle.rocks](http://www.particle.rocks)

### Donor Information (please print clearly)

Name:

Company (If applicable):

Billing address:

City:

State:

ZIP Code:

Telephone (home):

Telephone (business):

Fax:

E-Mail:

### PLEDGE INFORMATION

I (we) donate a total of:

**Amount:** Title Sponsor (\$5,000)- all below plus recognition and logo in all QPR Suicide Prevention training program publicity and materials during the 2018/19 fiscal year.

**Amount:** Showcase Sponsor (\$1000 or more)- all below, business logo on stage during the event

**Amount:** Premiere Sponsor (\$750)- all below, plus a social media post on our page with your logo and small write-up about your business.

**Amount:** Gold Sponsor (\$500)- all below, plus business logo on the event t-shirt

**Amount:** Silver Sponsor (\$300)- all below, and business logo on our website

**Amount:** Bronze Sponsor (\$150)- below, and business logo on individual yard sign

**Amount:** Friend of Particle (\$50)- business name on wall of sponsors

**I (we) plan to make this contribution in the form of:**

\_\_\_ cash \_\_\_ check

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT INFORMATION

Please use the following name(s) in all acknowledgements:

Name:

Date:

Signature:

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS OR OTHER GIFTS PAYABLE TO: *United Services, Inc.***

**Mail to: Particle Accelerator  
1007 North Main Street  
Dayville, CT 06241**