The Karen Organization of Minnesota's

2022 Annual Gala



Thursday, November 3 | 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. | Oakdale, Minnesota

September 16, 2022

Dear Community Partner,

We are thrilled to announce that after two years of virtual programming, KOM is bringing back our Annual Gala live and in-person! The Annual Gala is KOM's premier fundraising and community-building event bringing together community leaders, elected officials, service partners, volunteers, and donors for a special evening. This year's event promises to be a joyful reunion for past event attendees and an opportunity to welcome new supporters to learn more about our work. With more than 10 new staff, 5 new programs, and thousands of people impacted since 2019, we have a lot to share with you whether you're new to KOM or a longtime friend!

KOM's Annual Gala will be held on Thursday, November 3, at Inwood Oaks (484 Inwood Ave. N, Oakdale, MN 55128). KOM will welcome an estimated 300 guests for a social hour, live entertainment by Karen artists, raffle drawing, and program to share highlights of our work. Proceeds from the gala will benefit KOM's expanded services including youth chemical health, financial coaching, housing stability, and youth leadership initiatives.

As a valued community partner, we invite your organization to be a sponsor of this year's event. Organizations may choose from five sponsorship levels, each with numerous benefits reaching our diverse audience of event attendees, clients, and social media followers. Please see the enclosed chart for details about pricing and benefits for each sponsorship level.

Please RSVP online at https://www.mnkaren.org/event/kom-gala-2022/ or return the enclosed form with your payment by **Monday, October 17.** If you have questions about the event, please contact Alexis Walstad at (651)202-3120 or events@mnkaren.org.

Thank you for your ongoing support of KOM and the Karen community in Minnesota. We hope you will consider this opportunity to deepen your partnership with us and to show your organization's alignment with our mission to help refugees and immigrants succeed in Minnesota. We look forward to seeing you at this celebratory event!

Sincerely,

Alexis Walstad

Co-Executive Director

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