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KRAFT FAMILY, PATRIOTS FOUNDATION AND GILLETTE DONATE \$275,000 IN THE NAMES OF 2026 MYRA KRAFT COMMUNITY MVP AWARD WINNERS

Twenty-six volunteers were recognized during an awards luncheon at Gillette Stadium on Tuesday, September 15

Sara ("Win") Wilbur of Concord, MA presented with \$10,000 donation for the Concord Prison Outreach

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. – On Tuesday, September 15, the Kraft Family and New England Patriots Foundation celebrated the 2026 Myra Kraft Community MVP Award Winners. They recognized 26 volunteers for their contributions to the New England community at an awards ceremony at Gillette Stadium. In total, \$275,000 in donations were distributed to the nonprofits represented by each volunteer. Twenty-five organizations each received \$10,000 and William's Be Yourself Challenge received this year's grand prize of \$25,000.

Since 1998, the Kraft family and the New England Patriots Foundation have been recognizing volunteers for going above and beyond to give back to their communities through the Myra Kraft Community MVP Awards program.

"Throughout New England, extraordinary individuals are strengthening their communities through selfless acts of service," **said Robert Kraft, Chairman and CEO of the Patriots.** "My late wife, Myra, of blessed memory, believed that each of us has a responsibility to help others and leave our communities better than we found them. This year's honorees embody that spirit through their compassion, generosity and unwavering commitment to those they serve. We are proud to recognize them with the Myra Kraft Community MVP Awards and celebrate the meaningful difference they make every day."

Gillette, a longtime supporter of the New England Patriots and a cornerstone partner of the Patriots Foundation, served as the presenting sponsor for this year's program. On hand to congratulate the award winners were Patriots, College and Pro Football Hall of Famer and Patriots Executive Director of Community Affairs Andre Tippett and Gillette's VP of Communications & Community Affairs, Global Grooming, Kara Buckley.

"We are honored to help celebrate the 2026 Myra Kraft Community MVPs—individuals whose tireless service and compassion make our communities stronger every day," **said Kara Buckley, Vice President of Community Affairs at Gillette.** "Their stories are a powerful reminder of the profound impact that acts of courage and generosity can have on those around us. At Gillette, we believe in celebrating those who bring out the best in others and we are proud to partner with the Kraft family and the New England Patriots Foundation to recognize these remarkable volunteers who embody that ideal."

Sara Wilbur of Concord, MA was recognized as one of this year's honorees and presented with a \$10,000 donation for the Concord Prison Outreach.

"I found many of these men were decent, caring, honorable people," **said Wilbur**. "What I learned was that the most important thing volunteers can do is to come in and consistently show that we care about these people — that they matter."

For more than four decades, Wilbur has volunteered with Concord Prison Outreach, a nonprofit that has spent over 50 years delivering education, personal growth programming, and human connection to incarcerated people and their families across Massachusetts. Since the mid-1980s, she has worked directly with individuals at MCI-Concord, the Northeastern Correctional Center, and the Middlesex House of Correction — facilitating family relationship classes, supporting horticulture programs, and mentoring participants in small groups and one-on-one settings.

Among her most impactful contributions was spearheading the "Read to Me, Dad" program, which enabled incarcerated fathers to record themselves reading to their children — preserving family bonds despite separation, and offering both literacy support and emotional connection that can help break cycles of disconnection. The program continues today as a model across the prison system.

Wilbur's commitment extends beyond direct service; she has also served on Concord Prison Outreach's Board of Directors and Advisory Council, helping shape the organization's direction while never stepping away from the hands-on work inside facilities. In 2019, the Massachusetts Department of Correction named her Volunteer of the Year in recognition of her decades of service.

What sets Wilbur apart is her rare ability to see and support the whole person — recognizing dignity and potential in environments where those qualities are too often diminished. For more than 40 years, she has returned again and again with humility and purpose, building trust one relationship at a time and proving that the simple, consistent act of showing up can be its own form of transformation.

The 2026 Myra Kraft Community MVP winners range in age from 17 to 93 years old and represent almost all the New England states. The selected nonprofits provide support for many causes, including sports, healthcare, hunger and nutrition, mentoring, social justice, human services, education, domestic violence, and more.

Since its inception, the Myra Kraft Community MVP Awards program has recognized more than 550 volunteers and donated more than \$4 million to support nonprofit organizations across New England.

The Kraft family and the New England Patriots Foundation received close to 150 applications this year from nonprofit organizations looking to recognize their outstanding volunteers. Nominations open every February and the awards are open to all nonprofit organizations in the New England region.

For more information on the Myra Kraft Community MVP Awards, please visit www.patriots.com/community.



Patriots Pro Football Hall of Famer Andre Tippett (far left) and VP of Communications & Vice President of Community Affairs at P&G Gillette, Kara Buckley, congratulate Sara Wilbur from Concord Prison Outreach for being selected as a 2026 Myra Kraft Community MVP Award winner. During the September 15 luncheon, the Kraft family, the Patriots Foundation and Gillette awarded \$275,000 in grants to 26 New England nonprofits. Concord Prison Outreach received a \$10,000 grant in honor of Sara's volunteer efforts. *(photo courtesy of Lexi Ehle/New England Patriots)*



Patriots Chairman and CEO Robert Kraft, Patriots Executive Director of Community Affairs Andre Tippett and VP of Communications & Vice President of Community Affairs at P&G Gillette, Kara Buckley, take a group photo with the 2026 Myra Kraft Community MVP Award winners at Gillette Stadium. (*photo courtesy of Lexi Ehle/New England Patriots*)

Below is a complete list of the 2026 Myra Kraft Community MVP Award Winners:

Name	Hometown	Organization	Organization Town
Michelle Adamic	Lawrence, MA	Everyone's A Player	Andover, MA
Esha Camacho	Concord, NH	Project S.T.O.R.Y. NH	Concord, NH
Carla Caron	Winslow, ME	Waterville Area Soup Kitchen	Waterville, ME
Joe Caruso	Gloucester, MA	Brain Aneurysm Foundation	Hanover, MA
Karen Coppola	Georgetown, MA	It Takes A Herd Foundation Inc.	Georgetown, MA
Laura Diaz	Lawrence, MA	Latinx Center	Lowell, MA
Jeff Dinneen	Needham, MA	Needham Community Council, Inc.	Needham, MA
Anne Francisco	Keene, NH	The Community Kitchen, Inc.	Keene, NH
Harvey Hansen	Arlington, MA	Minuteman Senior Services	Burlington, MA
Kevin Hines	Hudson, NH	Big Brothers Big Sisters of NH and VT	Stratham, NH
John Kashmanian	Warwick, RI	Providence Promise	Providence, RI
Brock Maniatis	Belmont, MA	Project Socks 501(c)(3)	Belmont, MA
Bernard Miller	Bangor, ME	Camp CaPella	Holden, ME
Susan Murphy	Rochester, NH	Hope on Haven Hill	Rochester, NH
Harry Nesbitt	Natick, MA	Path for Adaptive Opportunities	Natick, MA
Andrew Pasquale	Sterling, MA	AdaptX	Lancaster, MA
Gabriela Petruck	Riverside, RI	Day One	Providence, RI
David Powers	Littleton, MA	Littleton STEM Educational Foundation	Littleton, MA
Dan Ranahan	Dracut, MA	Boston Firefighter & Family Cancer Foundation	Dorchester, MA
Cathy Seward	South Burlington, VT	King Street Center	Burlington, VT
Susan Shaw	Carlisle, MA	William's Be Yourself Challenge	Carlisle, MA
Stephen Singer	Manchester, NH	American Red Cross, Northern NE Region	Concord, NH
John Steidl	Hanover, NH	WISE	Lebanon, NH
Zeno Temple	Manchester, CT	Just Us Movement, Inc.	Chicopee, MA
Sara ("Win") Wilbur	Concord, MA	Concord Prison Outreach	Concord, MA
Arianna Wilson	Watertown, MA	Alex's Team Foundation	Woburn, MA

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