



WINSTON FAMILY YMCA



GIVING TREE GALA



W.W. "BILL" GAY COMMUNITY IMPACT AWARD



PHOTOS FROM OUR 2025 EVENT



The First Coast YMCA is dedicated to strengthening our community. Our flagship branch, the Winston Family YMCA in downtown Jacksonville, proudly carries forward Mr. Gay's legacy. By supporting this event, you are also investing in the Winston Family YMCA's core focus areas: Youth Development, Healthy Living, and Social Responsibility.



YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	HEALTHY LIVING	SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support youth sports at the Winston Family YMCA for families in need, including basketball, soccer, and volleyball. • Teen Leaders Club: Offers leadership training and volunteer opportunities that serve the Y and the community. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adaptive Wellness Program: Offers individuals with Parkinson's, brain injuries, or stroke the opportunity to exercise at the Y with support from Brooks Rehab and Y Wellness staff. • Chronic Disease Prevention Programs: supports those needing programs such as LIVESTRONG at the YMCA, Diabetes Prevention, Blood Pressure Self Monitoring and Enhance Fitness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety Around Water: An 8-session, 45-minute drowning-prevention program that builds water confidence for children and their parents. • Scholarship Memberships: The Y never turns anyone away due to inability to pay; community support helps make membership accessible for all.



Winston Family YMCA Announces Eric Mann as the 2026 W.W. 'Bill' Gay Community Impact Award Recipient



The Winston Family YMCA is proud to announce that Eric Mann has been selected as the 2026 W.W. 'Bill' Gay Community Impact Award recipient. Mann will be formally honored at the Winston Family YMCA Giving Tree Gala, a signature community event celebrating service, impact, and the transformational power of the Y's mission.

The W.W. 'Bill' Gay Community Impact Award recognizes an individual whose civic leadership, community involvement, faith, family and commitment have created lasting, measurable impact across the First Coast community. Named in honor of Bill Gay, the award celebrates those who exemplify the Y's core values through extraordinary stewardship and dedication to strengthening community.

Eric Mann, a respected leader in the nonprofit and philanthropic sector, has spent the last 15 years championing initiatives that support youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. His 45-year career with the YMCA movement has been marked by visionary leadership, innovative community partnerships, and a deep commitment to ensuring the Y remains accessible and welcoming to all.

"Eric's passion for people, unwavering dedication to community-building, and belief in the Y's mission have shaped the lives of countless families across our region," said Tim Burrows, VP of Operations and Healthy Living / Executive Director of the Winston Family YMCA. "Honoring him with this Impact Award is not only fitting—it is a celebration of the legacy he has built over his past 15 years during his time serving the Jacksonville community."

The 2026 Giving Tree Gala will bring together supporters, partners, and friends of the Y for an evening of celebration, storytelling, and philanthropy. Proceeds from the event will directly support the Winston Family YMCA's community programs, including chronic disease prevention, swim safety initiatives, youth development programs, and financial assistance for families in need.

The Gala will take place on Saturday, April 11th at the Jessie Ball DuPont Center. For more information about the event, ticket and sponsorship opportunities visit GivingTreeGala.org.

PROGRAM SPONSORS:

PECKY CYPRESS SPONSOR

\$25,000 – Exclusive

Charitable Value - \$18,125

- Company logo as Presenting Sponsor on **all event marketing** and promotional materials and media outreach
- **25 tickets to VIP pre-reception**
- **25 premium event logoed gifts**
- **Full page ad in event program**
- Company recognition on event signage
- **Dedicated social media posts** on First Coast YMCA and Winston Family YMCA social media outlets
- On stage presentation of W.W. 'Bill' Gay Community Impact Award

WHITE OAK SPONSOR

\$10,000

Charitable Value - \$7,250

- Company Recognition as White Oak Sponsor on press releases and sponsor-related marketing materials
- **10 tickets to VIP pre-reception**
- **10 premium event logoed gifts**
- **Half page ad in event program**
- Verbal recognition at event
- Company recognition on event signage and social media outlets

MAPLE SPONSOR

\$5,000

Charitable Value - \$3,875

- Company recognition as Maple Sponsor on press releases and sponsor-related marketing materials
- **5 tickets to VIP pre-reception**
- **One-third page ad in event program**
- Company recognition on event signage and social media outlets

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES:

VIP RECEPTION SPONSOR

\$15,000 – Exclusive

Charitable Value - \$11,625

- **'Sponsored by' company logo at VIP reception**
- **Speaking opportunity at VIP reception**
- **15 tickets to VIP Pre-reception**

SPEAK EASY SPONSOR

\$10,000

Charitable Value - \$7,750

- **'Sponsored by' company logo inside Speak Easy**
- 10 tickets to Giving Tree Gala

BAR SPONSOR

\$5,000

Charitable Value - \$3,825

- **"Sponsored by" Logo displayed prominently in bar areas**
- 5 tickets to Giving Tree Gala

VIP GIFT SPONSOR

\$5,000

Charitable Value - \$3,825

- **"Sponsored by" Company logo on VIP Gift**
- 5 tickets to Giving Tree Gala

INDIVIDUAL GIVING TREE GALA TICKETS

\$150 each

Charitable Value - \$75



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Thank you for your commitment to the YMCA of Florida's First Coast!

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