



## **Common Bond 2021 – COVID Safety**

We are pleased to be offering a hybrid event after many months of digital-only programming and fundraisers. Thank you for considering joining us! Here's what you need to know about the steps we are taking to keep our guests, honorees, staff, and vendors safe at this event.

### **Capacity**

Chelsea Piers Pier 60 is a very large space with sophisticated air circulation systems and some outdoor space. That said, we will be limiting this event to 50% capacity, and depending on guidelines from the CDC or rules from the City or State, this number may drop further. So please reserve your table or tickets today! The smaller number of guests will also allow us to configure the space differently than usual, with more space between tables and significantly more space for the cocktail portion of the event. This will create more ease of movement and ability to maintain more physical distance than in past years.

### **Masking**

We ask that you bring a mask with you to the event and consider wearing it when you are not drinking or eating. We know that this is a social event – and that we serve food and drinks continuously – so there is no masking requirement. However, we ask you to consider donning your mask, when possible, particularly when interacting directly with others who may be wearing masks themselves.

### **Vaccination**

In line with City regulations and CDC guidelines, as there will be food and beverages served during all parts of this event (cocktail, dinner, afterparty), we will require proof of vaccination for attendance. This can be done in advance of the event during registration confirmation, or at the door by showing your Excelsior Pass or NYC Covid Safe on your phone, or by showing your physical vaccination card.

### **Table size**

Tables at the Common Bond gala seat 10. If you purchase a table, you have the option to designate 8 seats instead of 10, in which case the portion of your purchase that can be claimed as a charitable donation will increase. Your donation acknowledgement will reflect this.

### **Virtual Option**

Table and ticket purchasers will receive additional virtual-only tickets, which will also be available separately. Virtual-only tickets entitle guests to join the event on [commonbondgala.org](http://commonbondgala.org) from 7-9pm and include networking rooms and a live feed of the program. Virtual-only tickets are 100% tax-deductible.