

Meet Justin

For Justin and his family, The Doorways has been more than just a place to stay—it has been a source of comfort and support during a difficult time. Justin and his siblings have taken turns staying at The Doorways to support their mother through her hospitalization and overall medical journey. Justin tells us “We are so thankful for The Doorways because without you, we couldn’t afford to be with her as much.” **Grateful for the warmth and care they received, Justin wanted to give back in a meaningful way.**



Justin and his parents, on their family farm.

As a trained gourmet chef, he knew an auction donation for SAVOR was the perfect opportunity. He generously offered a two-night stay and dinner at his 12-bedroom inn, Good Place Farms, in Lexington, VA. Justin said SAVOR allowed him to “attempt to give back in appreciation of the services that help so many families like mine”.

Justin’s story embodies the spirit of community and generosity that makes The Doorways a home away from home for thousands each year. Such generosity reminds us that our doors extend beyond these walls, and the impact of giving continues to expand and inspires in ways we could never anticipate.

There are so many ways to support The Doorways, and every act of kindness makes a difference. Whether you are a chef who donates your time, an inn owner who contributes a stay, or a guest who serves a meal to fellow guests, you become part of a cycle of giving that keeps growing. People immediately feel a connection with our mission when they walk through our doors, and like with Justin and his family, that spirit of generosity continues to inspire others. **We see our mantra in action every day – that everyone needs help eventually, and that life is meant to be shared.** Thank you for sharing your lives and generosity with our guests.

“The Doorways gave my family peace of mind when we needed it most.”



Scan the QR code for more guest stories



Thanks to our supporters our guests’ lives are transformed, and a lifelong community is formed.

The Doorways’ mission is to provide lodging and support for patients and their loved ones who need to be close to the hospital but not far from the feeling of “home”

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Celebrating the Impact of SAVOR 2025 and the Community That Makes It Possible

SAVOR 2025 raised **more than \$300,000**
in support of our mission!



Savor 2025 Chefs

Each year, SAVOR raises critical funds through sponsorships, a silent auction, and an exciting live auction with packages from all over the world. But SAVOR's impact extends far beyond the dollars raised. New supporters are introduced to The Doorways, allowing our guests to directly share their stories about how our supporters' generosity changes their lives by making their stays possible. With gourmet tastings on the menu and heartfelt testimonials shared throughout the night, attendees experience the true meaning of hospitality—caring for those in need.

Thank you to everyone who made SAVOR 2025 a success. Your support ensures that families facing medical crises have a place to stay, a meal to share, and a community to lean on.



Scan here to see the magic of SAVOR 2025

HeloAir Elevated SAVOR to New Heights!

SAVOR 2025 was held in an aircraft hangar at Richmond International Airport for the first time. The Doorways extends tremendous thanks to Whit Baldwin, President of HeloAir, for hosting our signature event in this exciting new location.

Hosting SAVOR in an aircraft hangar was no small feat, and we could not have done it without the incredible partnership of HeloAir and the amazing vendors who made it happen! From moving aircrafts to preparing the space, this talented “flight crew” went above and beyond to make this magical evening possible.

“This setting is a big motivator and a chance to show off our venue. But being part of SAVOR isn’t just about providing a venue—it’s about supporting a cause that deeply resonates with our community,” said Whit Baldwin, President of HeloAir. “HeloAir is proud to help The Doorways take SAVOR to new heights.”

We are immensely grateful for their generosity, patience, and dedication. Thank you, HeloAir, for making this year’s event truly unforgettable!



Sarah Melvin, HeloAir President - Whit Baldwin, Co-founder of The Doorways - Dolly Hintz, and Stacy Brinkley



Scan here to see how HeloAir transformed for SAVOR

A first-class crew of volunteers and supporters!



Special thanks to Committee Member and SAVOR Sponsor:
Classic Party Rentals President, Nina Whittleton (pictured second from left)

Behind every successful SAVOR event is a team of dedicated volunteers who work tirelessly for over a year to bring it to life. The SAVOR committee plays a crucial role in site visits, recruiting vendors, organizing supplies, coordinating with chefs, planning menus, setting up and breaking down the event, and ensuring every detail is executed flawlessly.

A special thank you to Leslie Stack, the visionary founder of SAVOR, who dreamed of hosting the event in an airplane hangar to elevate the experience—both literally and figuratively. Thanks to Leslie's leadership and the unwavering dedication of our volunteers, SAVOR continues to grow and inspire. We appreciate each and every one of you!



SAVOR Sponsor - and volunteers: CoStar



SAVOR Emcee, Andrew Freiden, and supporter
of The Doorways, Mike King



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UDig

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How can YOU get involved?

🏠 Volunteer: Join us in making future events a success. Whether it's planning, setup, or event-day support, your time makes a difference. Can't make it to the event? Supporting The Doorways every day of the year keeps us in flight! Check out our website by scanning the QR code above, to learn about daily opportunities for volunteer service.

🏠 Support Our Mission: Providing sponsorship support for fundraising events like SAVOR helps us continue providing lodging and care to families in need. Your support outside of SAVOR matters just as much! Donations at any level help keep our mission in flight.

🏠 Save the Date: SAVOR the date for our 17th annual event – **March 28th, 2026!** We can't wait to enchant you with another exceptional evening! In the meantime, we welcome you to come out to The Doorways for a tour to see how your support is making an impact in the lives of our guests!





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Priority Wishlist

Wishlist items allow us to provide touches of home for our guests and remove additional burdens during their stays. We accept new, unopened, and unexpired donations:

- **Air filters** (10x20x1 OR 10x24x1)
- **Canned fruit**
- **Individually packaged snacks** –
Gluten Free is great!
- **Olive oil**
- **Ready-to-eat meals**
(canned soups, instant foods)
- **Sturdy paper plates/bowls**
(microwavable is ideal!)
- **To-go** (carry-out) containers
- **Gift cards to Kroger, Target, Walmart, Amazon, or Visa**

THANK YOU!



Scan the QR code
to view our Wishlist

We are thankful for YOU! Your support makes our mission possible.



Our Giving Year ends on June 30th!

There are many ways to give and make a lasting impact upon the families staying at The Doorways:

- **Go online** to make a gift with your debit or credit card at www.thedorways.org
- **Mail a check** to Development Office, 612 E. Marshall Street, Richmond, VA 23219
- **Make a gift** from your donor-advised fund
- **Donate** appreciated stocks or securities
- **If you are over age 70½**, you may be eligible to donate a qualified charitable distribution from an individual retirement account (IRA) and potentially receive tax benefits. Please speak with your financial advisor about supporting The Doorways in this beneficial way!

Did you know?

April is Volunteer Appreciation Month!

Our volunteers make our mission possible - whether they're ensuring the success of SAVOR, preparing meals, or washing windows, their efforts make a real difference. We can't wait to celebrate our incredible, dedicated, and inspirational volunteers all month long!



**Scan here to volunteer
and make a difference**