

FUND FINANCE FRIDAY

Celebrating Food Bank For New York City

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It was an honor to represent our Fund Finance team and join my Cadwalader colleagues this week at the 2024 Gotham Ball on behalf of Food Bank For New York City!

The event marked 41 years of service by Food Bank For New York City. Food Bank traces its history back to 1983 when the late Jack Fritts, our former Firm chairman, helped to incorporate Food Bank on a pro bono basis. Jack served on Food Bank's board for many years. In 2018, Food Bank dedicated its Bronx warehouse in his honor, naming the facility "The Jack Fritts Food Distribution Center."

Joining me at the Gotham Ball were fellow partners Bonnie Neuman, Ivan Loncar, Jamie Frazier and Lary Stromfeld.

Cadwalader's own Financial Services partner Lary Stromfeld is the Board's Executive Vice Chairman and founder of the Justice Served campaign in 2015, which annually brings together

more than 20 New York law firms and law departments in a six-week effort that has funded more than five million meals for food-insecure New Yorkers.

As Food Bank reminded us at the event, one out of five New Yorkers experiences food insecurity ... which means that four out of five New Yorkers are in a position to help their neighbors in some big or small way. This serves as a great reminder for me about all we can do -- within the Fund Finance industry and as individuals -- to give back to the community and to those who need our help.