



# Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust

Formerly the Laborers' District Council Charity Fund

## 18th Annual Charity Golf Classic

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### **Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust announces 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Golf Classic**

### **James N. Harper, Jr., Business Manager of Laborers' Local #413 and Esteban Vera, Jr., Business Manager of Laborers' Local #57 to Receive "Making A Difference Award"**

Philadelphia, PA - The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, will hold its 18th Annual Charity Golf Classic on Tuesday, May 30, 2017 at Spring Mill Country Club in Ivyland, PA. The outing is being held in honor of James N. Harper, Jr., Business Manager of LIUNA Laborers' Local #413 and Esteban Vera, Jr., Business Manager of LIUNA Laborers' Local #57. Both will be presented with the *Making A Difference* Award at the evening banquet.

Registration is now open for this event that has become known for great golf, exceptional prizes and amazing exposure for its sponsors. To become a sponsor, golfer or participate in any way, visit <http://statencharitabletrust.org/2017golf.php> to register online or download a brochure.

Founder, Samuel Staten, Sr., who passed away in 2016, would be proud of the accomplishments of the charity that bears his name. Last year's event brought the total funds raised over 17 plus years to over \$2,000,000.

"I can't think of two more deserving individuals to receive this honor that bears my father's name. Esteban and James, the youngest of the Business Managers in our District Council, not only clearly reflect the LIUNA's current vitality and leadership in our five county area, but its future strength for years to come," said Samuel Staten, Jr., Business Manager LIUNA Local Union #332 and Secretary Treasurer of Laborers' District Council of the Metropolitan Area of Philadelphia and Vicinity.

Proceeds from this event benefits various 501(c)(3) charities including the Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund. Our honorees have each chosen a charity close to their heart as one of the charities to benefit from the funds raised at this event. Mr. Harper, Jr. has chosen the Jim Harper Scholarship Fund and Mr. Vera, Jr. has chosen the Penn Pancreatic Cancer Research Center at the Abramson Cancer Center of the University of Pennsylvania. The Penn Pancreatic Cancer Research Center (PCRC) is committed to delivering high-quality care for patients with pancreatic cancer. The center takes a multidisciplinary approach — integrating Medical Oncology, Surgery, Gastroenterology, Radiation Oncology, and Pathology — to deliver comprehensive and personalized options to their patients.

According to Robert Vonderheide, MD, DPhil, Hanna Wise Professor in Cancer Research, Director, Pancreatic Cancer Research Center, the donation will be extremely appreciated. “By 2020 pancreatic cancer will be the second leading cause of cancer death— this emergent tide means that patients need options now. The Pancreatic Cancer Research Center is answering this urgent call by developing early detection methods, novel therapies, and clinical trials: giving hope to patients.”

## **MEDIA IS INVITED TO ATTEND ANY PART OF THE DAY’S EVENTS**



### **Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust About The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust**

The mission of The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust is to provide a variety of services to the needy and otherwise underserved community members throughout the five county area of Philadelphia. This mission is achieved through a variety of fundraising events and activities. The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust illustrates the power of organized labor to make a difference in our community. The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust was known as The Laborers' District Council Charity Fund until 2011. The name of the charity was changed to honor Samuel Staten, Sr., the man who founded the LDC Charity Fund through a purely unselfish act of charity during his time as Business Manager of Laborers' Local 332 and Secretary Treasurer of the Laborers' District Council of the Philadelphia Metropolitan Area and Vicinity. The board is dedicated to continuing Mr. Staten, Sr.'s legacy of charitable giving. We will continue to spread his message and prove that organized labor truly makes a difference in the community! To find out more about the Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust, visit [www.StatenCharitableTrust.org](http://www.StatenCharitableTrust.org). Qualified students can apply for a scholarship from the Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund by filling out the online application.

### **About The Abramson Cancer Center**

The Abramson Cancer Center’s strong collaborative forces are fighting with urgency and determination to fight the increasing number of pancreatic cancer deaths in the Philadelphia region and beyond. Using rapid assessment and navigation of newly diagnosed patients through medical intervention, surgical options, and/or enrollment into clinical trials— Penn Medicine’s Pancreatic Cancer Research Center (PCRC) is providing the immediate care so critical for pancreatic cancer patients. This strategy requires the collaborative efforts of a multidisciplinary team of medical oncologists, translational scientists, surgeons, gastroenterologists, radiation oncologists, pathologists, and supportive services who are working together, in real-time, to bring discoveries from the lab to our patient’s bedside.

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