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invites you to attend the

36TH ANNIVERSARY GALA & SILENT AUCTION

WEDNESDAY • NOVEMBER 12, 2008

The Hilton New York Hotel

1335 Avenue of the Americas

6:30 PM COCKTAIL RECEPTION

7:30 PM DINNER, DANCING & AWARDS

Black Tie Optional

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Former Major League Baseball Second Baseman
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ABOUT SoBRO

SoBRO was established in 1972 to reverse the flight of businesses and jobs from the South Bronx. SoBRO's mission is to enhance the quality of life in the South Bronx by strengthening businesses and creating and implementing innovative economic, housing, educational, and career development programs for youth and adults.

SoBRO's FOUR ESSENTIALS

Youth Education and Development - Provides youth with a safe haven, offering programs that combine academic skills and career training with leadership development activities while exposing them to new ideas and possibilities.

Adult Education and Career Development - Enables low-income, unemployed and underemployed individuals to achieve self-sufficiency through basic education, ESL, GED prep, financial literacy, as well as job training and placement services.

Community & Economic Renewal - Helps new and existing businesses prosper through entrepreneurial development programs, technical assistance and commercial and industrial business incentives. Revitalizes commercial corridors and builds business and community networks to cultivate jobs and economic growth.

Housing and Real Estate Development - Creates and manages high-quality affordable housing for low- and moderate-income families and supportive housing for individuals with special needs. Develops new commercial buildings and converts neglected areas into thriving commercial and industrial properties.



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