

# Design Gives Back

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It's been an unpredictable last year, but the home design industry has weathered the storm better than most. As consumers hunkered down—working from home, schooling at home and finding renewed comfort at home in general—many design brands and interior designers have found themselves busier than ever. We've been hearing all about the supply chain issues and backorders on everything from furniture to kitchen appliances, as demand has soared with stuck-at-home homeowners realizing just how much their spaces could benefit from some overdue upgrades and added comfort.

And while many design professionals may be seeing their businesses booming, their spirit of giving back is equally alive and well. From scholarship funds and mentoring programs, to events that focus on food insecurity and homelessness, the design industry has continued to flex its muscles when it comes to philanthropy.

One such event that is making a differ-

ence is 'Rooms With a View' (RWAV), one of the East Coast's longest-standing charity events. Now in its 26<sup>th</sup> year, the event returns to the Southport Congregational Church in Southport, Connecticut November

4-7. The organizers had considered going virtual this year, but as the world started to reopen, it became clear that the community and design industry were as eager as ever to bring it back in full force.



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