

## AZ Insider: John Stamos Emceed "FULL HOUSE" at Childhelp Party

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It was a "FULL HOUSE" at Childhelp's "Dancing with the Christmas Stars" as emcee **John Stamos** welcomed the 1,000 guests! The actor most well known for the beloved "Full House" series and now his "Fuller House" series on Netflix; has been a Childhelp ambassador for 30 years.

This year was a uniquely exciting one, because the actor just announced he's going to be a first time father! John and his fiancée **Caitlin McHugh** are expecting.

(Pictured at the top with **John** at holiday party at the **Merv Griffin Village** in Beaumont are **Sandie Newton** - one of Childhelp's "Speak UP be Safe" facilitators, **Judy Jensen**, Childhelp Chapter Director, and **Sherry Bogh**, Community Relations Coordinator at **Merv Griffin Village**.)

National Board member **William Eckholm** and wife **Laurie Eckholm** were among a group from Phoenix who travelled to the party in Beaumont, California and annual tour of the advocacy center. Not only that, but they invited CH founders **Sara O'Meara** and **Yvonne Fedderson** as their guests to fly from Childhelp headquarters in Phoenix to California aboard a private jet. The use of the private jet was part of a package the Eckholms bought at a charity auction.



One of the holiday party highlights included heartfelt applause for **George Argyros, Jr.** (pictured above with Childhelp founders **Sara** and **Yvonne Fedderson**). Among his several generous contributions to the village **George** purchased a horse and he donated Christmas gift cards for every child and staff member.

The horse will be a welcome addition to the village's Ranch Program! The Ranch Program provides therapeutic opportunities for the children through animal care, equine and animal-assisted therapy, resident jobs and special events.

Other celebs at the party in Beaumont were CH Celeb Ambassador **Jen Lilley**, **Keo Motsepe** of "Dancing with the Stars" and model/actress **Kim Alexis**.

The Childhelp **Merv Griffin Village** in Beaumont, California, is dedicated to the 24-hours-a-day treatment of abused, neglected, and at-risk children of California. Committed to creating a genuine community environment, the village houses as many as 84 children ranging in age from 6 to 15 years old.



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