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Two-Time NBA Champion Lamar Odom to Headline Coastal Horizons' Annual Fundraising Luncheon

WILMINGTON, N.C. — Coastal Horizons will welcome two-time NBA champion, bestselling author and reality television personality **Lamar Odom** as the featured guest at its Annual Fundraising Luncheon on **Wednesday, September 30, 2026**, at the **Wilmington Convention Center**. The luncheon will take place from **11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** Odom will join **WECT anchor and managing editor Frances Weller** for a candid conversation about professional success, profound personal loss, substance use, a near-fatal medical crisis and his continuing journey of recovery.

Odom played 14 years in the NBA after being selected fourth overall in the 1999 NBA Draft. During his seven seasons with the Los Angeles Lakers, he helped the team win back-to-back NBA championships in 2009 and 2010. In 2011, he earned one of the league's most prestigious individual honors when he was named the **NBA Sixth Man of the Year**, recognizing his exceptional impact and performance coming off the bench.

Beyond basketball, Odom became widely known to television audiences through the reality series *Khloé & Lamar*, which followed his life with his former wife, Khloé Kardashian.

Odom recently shared an unfiltered account of his life in the Netflix documentary *Untold: The Death & Life of Lamar Odom*. The film explores his rise to NBA fame, the private struggles and pressures behind his public image and the 2015 medical crisis that nearly cost him his life.

"Lamar Odom's story is a powerful reminder that recovery is not linear," said Margaret Weller-Stargell, President & CEO of Coastal Horizons. "His willingness to speak openly about loss, substance use, survival and the continuing work of recovery reflects the hope and second chances that are central to our mission."

Sponsors and Patrons will be invited to an exclusive Meet and Greet and photo opportunity with Odom from **10:15 to 11:15 a.m.** before the luncheon.

Early-bird individual tickets are **\$125 through September 6**. Beginning September 7, individual tickets will be **\$150**. Sponsorships, reserved tables and Patron opportunities are also available.

Proceeds from the luncheon will support Coastal Horizons' work to provide professional services that promote healthier lives, stronger families and safer communities.

For tickets, sponsorship opportunities and additional information, visit <https://secure.everyaction.com/1vI76yHf4EWItL2LQQsTUQ2>

About Coastal Horizons

Coastal Horizons serves more than 25,000 individuals annually across 62 North Carolina counties. As one of the largest private nonprofit human services organizations in the state, Coastal Horizons provides integrated behavioral health care, crisis intervention, primary care, substance use treatment, child welfare, justice services, and veteran support programs, helping individuals and families build healthier lives, stronger families, and safer communities.

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