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Food Bank Executive Director Garners Special Award

Food Bank for Westchester Executive Director Christina Rohatynskyj has been named Woman of the Year by the Westchester County Federation of Women's Clubs. Rohatynskyj will be honored at the organization's annual meeting and luncheon this Thursday, April 28 at the Davenport Club in New Rochelle.

The federation gives out the award every April to a Westchester woman who has made an outstanding contribution to the community. Previous recipients include Rep. Nita Lowey, New York State Sen. Suzi Oppenheimer, former Westchester County District Attorney Jeannine Pierro, actress Francis Sternhagen and entertainer/director Lucie Arnaz.

Rohatynskyj has been executive director of the Food Bank for Westchester

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— PRESIDENT ANITA TADDEO

in Millwood since 1993, five years after it was founded as Food PATCH (People Allied To Combat Hunger). She has overseen the growth of the organization from a small staff of 12 delivering to a current staff of 28 delivering over six million pounds of food a year to over 200 local hunger-relief programs.

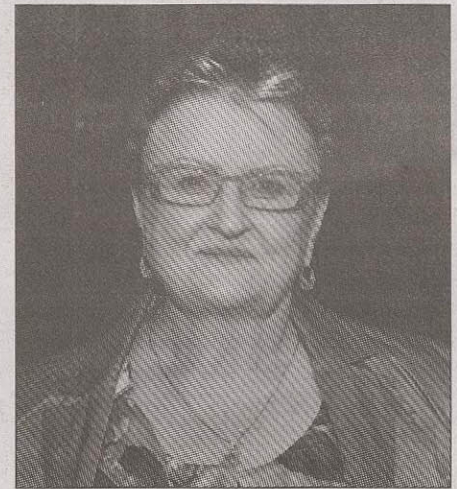
"We are thrilled to bestow this well-deserved honor on Ms. Rohatynskyj,"

said WCFWC President Anita Taddeo. "With her leadership, the Food Bank for Westchester makes a positive impact every day on the lives of tens of thousands of people who are hungry or at risk of hunger in Westchester."

Prior to taking the helm at the Food Bank, Rohatynskyj developed and was the first executive director of the American Red Cross Regional Food Distribution Center in Lansing, Mich. for seven years. She was an original member of the reorganized Food Bank Council of Michigan and served as a board officer. More recently, she was a founding member of the Food Bank Association of New York State and has just completed a four-year term as board president. She holds two degrees: a Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) and a Master of Fine Art (MFA) in Studio Art.

She has one daughter, Tetiana Anderson, a journalist, who works for NY-1 News.

Tickets are for the luncheon are \$40



Christina Rohatynskyj, executive director for the Food Bank for Westchester in Millwood, has been named Westchester County Federation of Women's Clubs' Woman of the Year.

and reservations are required. For information, contact Karen Amann at 914-277-5435.