

Member Spotlight: Jean-Claude and Elizabeth Saada



Jean-Claude and Beth Saada are united by a shared passion for enhancing the lives of others—both through their professional endeavors and philanthropic efforts.

Jean-Claude is the founder and chairman of Cambridge Holdings, a company that has, in its nearly 40 years of creating award-winning work, developed a passion for creating places where healthy choices are easy choices for people who live, work and visit there. “I’m privileged to work with my talented team to champion the development of communities and facilities that support mindful healthy living, made easy.”

Cambridge communities have a strong sense of neighborhood and include a blend of energized experiences, encouraging people to go outdoors and enjoy healthy food, physical activity and enjoyment of the arts. “We know that in doing this, we are enhancing both quality and quantity of life,” Jean-Claude adds.

The Dallas couple learned about Soles4Souls through family friends and were moved to contribute financially. “I am an émigré from Lebanon, where I experienced turmoil and violence as a young person. I think that’s part of the reason I find promoting health and wellness and a better way of life at Cambridge so gratifying. It’s also why I find Soles4Souls such an inspiring organization,” Jean-Claude shares. “Anything we can do to make the lives of vulnerable young people in our communities better; we simply must do. Shoes are such a fundamental and basic need – they matter in ways we don’t think about – unless we don’t have them! The idea that, in providing shoes, we can contribute to better school attendance, more engagement with teachers and friends, improved physical and emotional well-being and confidence... to help have that kind of impact is immensely rewarding.”

Outside of their philanthropic and professional lives, Jean-Claude and Elizabeth cherish time with their grown children, Hannah and Spencer. In his downtime, Jean-Claude also indulges in a longtime hobby: car racing. “It’s something I picked up a few years ago, and I’ve stuck with it. It keeps me young!”