

Join Us for the 2022 Gala – "Grease is the Word"

November 17th - 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Hosted at Rehoboth Beach Convention Center The Sussex County Association of REALTORS[©] Community Service Foundation Sussex Strong's Annual Gala benefiting the unprivileged children of Sussex County

Dear Gala and Auction Supporter:

Over the years our Foundation has raised and donated over \$1,500,000. This money has been used to assist over 9,500 Sussex County children and families in need. We would not be able to do this without you, our local supporters. We are proud to watch and gather along with our community each year to generate funds which help bring a bit of help, happiness and joy for these children in need.

Through our combined efforts the Foundation has provided grants and financial support to local groups like the Food Bank of Delaware, Immanuel Shelter, Habitat for Humanity, the Home of the Brave and Big Brothers and Big Sisters and many more. While our well-known Christmas/Holiday program for children who would otherwise go without during the Holidays has been the primary focus for our Foundation, we continue to seek other opportunities to help and support our Sussex County communities throughout the year. In 2021 we impacted over 330 local children and with your help we hope to grow this number.

There are many ways to support and/or participate in this year's Gala. Please see attached document about the important work we do at Sussex Strong along with sponsorship, auction, donation and restaurant participation opportunities.

Help us Help Our Neighbors. We count on YOU to help us be Sussex Strong!

Thank you,

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Gala Sponsorship: To receive a sponsorship form please contact Josette Castiglione. To submit a completed sponsorship form, mail form along with payment to Josette Castiglione – Sponsorship Committee Chair, C/O Ocean Atlantic Sotheby's, 18949 Coastal Highway, Ste 304, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971. You can also email forms to <u>SussexStrongCSF@gmail.com</u> and pay your sponsorship through our website.

Silent Auction Donations: To receive a Silent Auction/Donation form or to arrange for a donation pick up, please contact the committee member who gave you this letter or contact Joe Della Torre, <u>SussexStrongCSF@gmail.com</u> or mail to CrossCountry Mortgage, 323C Rehoboth Avenue, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19917. All auction items are DUE by November 4th.

Please note: Your Sponsorship will be confirmed once payment is received. Please be sure to submit print quality logos (high resolution) along with your payment and form.

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2022 Gala – "Grease is the Word" Restaurant Participation Form

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Local restaurants can participate: by donating one food dish of your choice that will serve 250+ people. This is a great way to promote your business and get involved in the community while giving back to those in need.

PLEASE NOTE:

- The day of the event we request that you set up your station at least 1 hour prior to the door opening to attendees and that you provide at least one person to work your food station and serve guests until 9pm
 Doors open at 6pm so please arrive at 5pm to set up
- > A table and tablecloth will be provided by Sussex Strong for each participating restaurant
- > The restaurant must supply the eating utensil, vessel, napkins and serving items necessary.

YES, count us in! We would love to donate food and participate in the Annual Charity Gala and Auction

Restaurant Name:	o appear on promotional mate	Contact Person:
Mailing Address:		
E-mail Address:	Telephone:	
Description of Food Dish:		
YES NO	Access to an Electrical Outlet needed?	
YES	Count me in for a gift ca	ard donation. Value:
Restaurant Owner or Mana	ager Signature:	
		lty, c/o Kathy Douglass, 800 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE g <u>mail.com</u> Thank you for your generosity!
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SCAOR Community Service Foundation's mission is to engage and connect SCAOR with local causes our members care about by promoting and encouraging safe, decent and afforable housing, providing immediate aid to individuals and families that are in need and supporting activities that foster, support and enrich our community.

We're Here to Help

charitable organizations that:

- support families and children
- promote and encourage safe, decent and affordable housing
- provide programs that promote financial literacy
- SCAOR members have recommended

It is with great Pride we report the SCAOR Community Service Foundation, since its inception in 1994 has historically impacted the following:

Donated:

- Over \$1,537,380 dollars to support over 9712 children living in need
- Annual average \$40,000 and 350 children

Províded:

- Over 8 tons of food (16,968 pounds)
- Feeding 152 families with multiple meals annually

Volunteered:

- Over 89,500 hours valued at \$1.85 million dollars
- SCAOR members provide over 3,000 hours of service annually

Granted:

- Over 26 organizations an average grant of \$650 (\$250 to \$5000)
- Annually \$3000 to 5 organizations



We still have much to do in Sussex County:

- There are over 9,000 homeless children
 - Over 30,700 individuals live below poverty line or 22% of our community members
 - At minimum wage you need to work 118 hours a week to afford a 2-bedroom apartment or make \$24.98 per hour

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