

Saturday, April 7, 2018 4:00 – 9:00 PM Surprise Stadium 15850 N Bullard Ave, Surprise, AZ 85374



The Rotary Club of Surprise and their Community Foundation will be holding the 5th Annual *Taste of Surprise* fundraising event on **April 7, 2018**. The event is to raise funds for charities that support the Surprise community.

Proceeds from the event will be presented to the following organizations:

- One Step Beyond Inc., our mission is to provide responsive, progressive, and dynamic programs to empower individuals with Intellectual Disabilities to realize their dreams of optimal independence, meaningful employment, significant social relationships, and full participation in our community.
- **Benevilla**, provides extensive support for older adults, adults with intellectual disabilities, children, and families who care for them through a variety of programs.
- A New Leaf, is a non-profit organization providing diverse programs serving people facing challenges and crises for which counseling and related services can help such as Domestic Violence & Homeless Services, Youth Residential Services, and Community Services.
- **The Surprise Youth Foundation,** providing services and programs to the youth of the Surprise Community.
- Black Family Child Services, Providing academic support and social development for children in grades K-9 through the Right Track After School Enrichment Program.
- > WHAM, providing therapy through art to veterans with PTSD
- Homeless Youth Connection, Our Empowering Youth For The Future (EYFTF) program provides homeless youth with basic necessities as well as providing them with life skills training and mentoring.
- Valley View Food Bank, a locally based food bank holding semi-weekly food distribution to Surprise residents needing assistance.
- The Rotary Club of Surprise Community Foundation, a 501c3 organization that supports selected local and international charities, grant scholarships to local students, and make a difference in the Surprise community through our monthly community service projects.

Why your company should participate:

- Opportunity to make a difference within the Surprise community.
- Help reach more individuals in need.
- Work together as one large community.
- Company exposure at one of the largest events held in Surprise.
- Tax deductible.

How you can participate:

- Become a Taste of Surprise Sponsor. Five levels of sponsorships available.
- Donate to the silent auction.
- Register your restaurant to provide food tastings to attendees.
- Register your Beer/Wine/Spirits business to provide beverage tastings to attendees.
- Purchase tickets to the VIP area limited number available.
- Purchase tickets to the event.
- Register your group to provide entertainment during the event.

Taste of Surprise Facts:

- Over 1100 individuals attended the event in 2017.
- 45 restaurants participated in 2017.
- Increased number of Charities given to.
- Increase in Silent auction donations.
- Distributed \$40,000 to local charities in 2017.



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Dear Prospective Sponsor,

The Rotary Club of Surprise through their charitable foundation will be holding the 5th annual Taste of Surprise on April 7, 2018 at the Surprise Stadium. In 2015 the Rotary Club of Surprise was voted "Best Charitable Organization of the Year" by the Surprise Chamber of Commerce. By partnering with us, businesses and community members like you have an opportunity to "make a difference" in our community.

This year the Rotary Club of Surprise Community Foundation board, on recommendations from the Taste of Surprise executive committee, has chosen the following 501(c)(3) charitable organizations to be recipients of the proceeds from the event.

- > A New Leaf
- > Benevilla
- Black Family Child Services
- Homeless Youth Connection
- One Step Beyond Inc.
- Surprise Youth Foundation
- Valley View Food Bank
- ➤ WHAM
- Rotary Club of Surprise Community Foundation

Enclosed is a summary of our event and a list of various opportunities for participating in the 5th Annual Taste of Surprise. For more information, visit our website at www.tasteofsurprise.com. To optimize exposure and receive maximum benefits, early registration is recommended.

A member of the Rotary Club of Surprise will be happy to answer any questions you may have about the Taste of Surprise and the benefits of participation. For any inquiries you may have my email address is included below. Thank you for your consideration in helping us to make a difference in the Surprise community.

Sincerely,

Jon Judd 2018 Taste of Surprise Sponsor Committee Chairman sponsorship@tasteofsurprise.com Chris Judd 2018 Taste of Surprise Chairman info@tasteofsurprise.com



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To Whom It May Concern:

The Rotary Club of Surprise will be holding its 5th annual <u>Taste of Surprise</u> fundraising event on April 7, 2018. Rotary is a service club that serves its community above self. All of the funds raised from this event will be used to support the following charitable organizations:

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We're in the process of collecting items for the silent auction and drawings. I am writing to request your assistance in making the 5th annual *Taste of Surprise* another successful event. By donating item(s) to the event, you'll be making a tax deductible contribution that will assist the Rotary Club of Surprise to continue to help make a difference in the lives of individuals in need, right here in our community.

Additionally, you'll benefit from exposure of your company's name to those who attend the event. Donors will be listed in the event program, the Taste of Surprise website, and the item(s) you give will be on display throughout the event.

Won't you consider donating an item to support the continued work of the Rotary Club of Surprise? You may reach me at (623.565.6634) or by email at <u>donations@tasteofsurprise.com</u> to advise how you would like to participate in the Taste of Surprise Silent Auction.

Thank you in advance for your support. A copy of our tax-exempt certificate is available upon request.

Sincerely,

Deb Lemenager 2018 Taste of Surprise Silent Auction Chairman