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December 29, 2022

Dear Friend of Rotary,

The Rotary Club of El Campo invites you to include your business as a sponsor of our **43rd Annual Fundraiser** to be held Thursday, March 2, 2023 at the El Campo Civic Center. This much anticipated event attracts more than 1,000 guests annually. Your support is essential and greatly appreciated.

We are honored to dedicate this year's Fundraiser to the memory of Melvin A. Parker, Jr. a long-time Rotarian.

This year's support from our sponsors will be critical to raise funds needed to continue support of our many worthwhile projects. If you have had an opportunity to attend this function, you will know that it is one of the most highly attended events of its kind in Wharton County. With the strength of our annual attendance, we are able to raise significant donations from businesses and individuals in our area each year.

Rotary is committed to many local and global humanitarian causes. The success of this fundraiser allows the Rotary Club of El Campo to continue with our long-standing tradition of making El Campo, Wharton County, and the world a better place to live. A great example of this service was when Hurricane Harvey brought devastation throughout Wharton County in 2017. The Rotary Club of El Campo dedicated that year's fundraiser to the Wharton County Recovery Team. Because of the generous support of our sponsors, our joint efforts raised \$200,000. This provided much needed assistance and helped victims county-wide rebuild after the devastation. We did this in partnership with you!

Please take time to complete and return the <u>enclosed sponsor card</u> with your tax-deductible check **before February 17**, **2023.** Checks should be made out to "El Campo Rotary Club Foundation". This will assure you receive the benefit of all advertising opportunities before, during and after the event.

Thank you in advance for your support, we truly appreciate your partnering with us for the good of El Campo. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact me at (979) 320-7727 or cgibson@elcampoeco.org.

Have a blessed and safe New Year's with your family and friends!

In Rotary Friendship, Carolyn Gibson, Immediate Past President 2023 Fundraiser Chair Corporate Sponsor Chair

Due to the annual success of this event, Rotary has been able to make a positive impact in the quality of life for our community with donations to many worthwhile organizations and projects including, but not limited to the following:

- Wharton County Recovery Team
- El Campo Memorial Hospital Project
- El Campo Little League
- Academic Booster Club Scholarships- \$7,500
- EarlyAct/First Knight Northside Elementary
- Interact Clubs (ECHS & ECMS)
- Rotary Youth Leaders Awards (RYLA)
- ROTARACT Sponsor
- Serve Like a Champion (ECHS)
- Hospice El Campo
- Boys & Girls Club of El Campo
- Reading Is Fundamental (RIF)
- ECISD Teacher Appreciation Banquet

- The Crisis Center (Wharton & Matagorda Co.)
- ECHS Project Graduation
- Scouting Sponsor Cub Scouts & Boy Scouts
- International Youth Exchange
- Everyday Heroes
- Polio Eradication Worldwide
- Legacy Little League Park
- Wharton County Library, El Campo
- El Campo Aquatic Center
- El Campo Civic Center
- Rotary Park
- The Heritage Center
- ... and many other worthwhile projects!

Thank you! It is through your generous support that these projects are funded!