



Dear Friend:

Our **Signature Chefs Auction** is a fabulous event showcasing many of the top chefs in Southwest Florida. It is also the original and one of the most unique fund-raisers that any charity presents. From the historic tradition of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's dazzling birthday gala fundraisers started in the 30's, comes today's sumptuous Signature Chefs Auctions nationwide. We are very proud to say this year's event celebrates the 31<sup>st</sup> year of the Signature Chefs Auction in Southwest Florida on **Friday, October 16, 2020**.

Some of the best restaurants in Southwest Florida participate at this spectacular event with a sampling of their most delectable foods with approximately 300 guests in attendance. During this time, a silent auction will take place. The heart of the evening follows with a seated dessert and live auction focusing on imaginative packages including dining, travel, entertainment, art and much more. Last year we were able to raise \$450,000 and our goal this year is \$500,000.

With restrictions of large gatherings still being a concern we are transforming our annual event to meet the needs of our mission and concerns of our supporters. This year our restaurant partners across Southwest Florida will each be hosting a dinner for a small group of supporters; and our live-streamed auction will be virtual.

I would like to ask for your support for this event. Enclosed is information on how your business can donate to this fantastic event and what you will receive in return. Please contact the **March of Dimes** with any questions you may have.

The Mission of the March of Dimes is to fight for the health of ALL moms and babies. We imagine a world in which every baby has the opportunity to thrive, live the future they choose and grow up to change the world.

Premature birth is the #1 killer of newborns and a major cause of long-term health problems. No one knows what causes half of all premature births, but scientific research is closing the gap. With your support we can work toward the day when every baby has a healthy start in life. No baby should have to begin life fighting to keep it.

Thank you for your consideration.  
Sincerely,

Signature Chefs Auction Committee Member

March of Dimes 21301 S. Tamiami Trl., Ste. 320, PMB 246, Estero, FL 33928  
Phone: 239-271-2562 | Email: [thowe@marchofdimes.org](mailto:thowe@marchofdimes.org) The March of Dimes is a 501 (C) (3)

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**[www.SignatureChefs.org/SWFlorida](http://www.SignatureChefs.org/SWFlorida)**



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March of Dimes agrees to provide the following:

- ◆ Your company will be featured virtually through our live-streamed auction where applicable.

Your company agrees to provide the following:

- ◆ A unique donation that would entice Signature Chefs guests during our live-streamed auction
- ◆ Use of your company's name and logo for the Signature Chefs Auction event
- ◆ Coordination of your services with the winning bidder and any package partner within 3 months of the event where applicable
- ◆ Expiration date of the auction item to be at least 1 year from October 16, 2020 (date of event)
- ◆ Provide the item or a certificate for the item
- ◆ Smaller valued items may be combined with other donated items to increase the value of the auction package

Please fill out the attached sheet and return to:

March of Dimes SWFL  
Attn: Signature Chefs  
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Estero, FL 33928

Or Call for Pick-up of Certificate or Item  
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Procurement # \_\_\_\_\_

Catalog # \_\_\_\_\_

Certificate • Tangible  
(circle one)

## Auction Contribution Form

I would like to donate the following gift(s) to the March of Dimes: \_\_\_\_\_

Detailed item description: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Retail value: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Is item exchangeable? Yes No Expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(October 16, 2021 at the earliest)

Special instructions and/or restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please print company or individual name as you would like it to appear in the auction program:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Deadline for inclusion in printed program is September 1, 2020)

Item delivery method:

- ☐ I will messenger or mail gift to March of Dimes by \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ I will have gift available for pick-up any time after \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ I would like the March of Dimes to generate a certificate. (Company to provide logo via email)
- ☐ Certificate/item is attached. **(This form CANNOT be used as the certificate)**

Donating company/individual:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person (if different from donor): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Committee Member:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please make a copy of this contract for your records.  
Thank you for your donation!  
Tax ID #13-1846366