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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2019

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SUSTAIN WHAT REALLY MATTERS.

BECAUSE FAMILY IS IMPORTANT, WE ARE HERE TO HELP YOU PLAN.

The Tax Cut & Jobs Act, as it is officially known, contains many changes affecting everyone. Its provisions could have a significant impact on your overall finances. We will review the changes and provide solutions addressing Social Security, retirement, estate planning and charitable tax planning.

WHEN: Tuesday, May 15 at 5:30PM
WHERE: OU-Tulsa Learning Center, Room 145
4502 East 41st Street | Tulsa, OK
(Turn west off Yale Ave. on David Boren Dr., 1st building on your left)

To RSVP or for more info, call Laurie Perkins at 918.508.7116.

In loving memory of
Mary Bidasio
February 1, 1923 ~ April 17, 2018

Dedicated volunteer & donor since 1983

You are the greatest example of
"Love Changing Lives". We miss you.

Love Changing Lives.

Your gift in action.

100% of Catholic Charities employees donated to the Annual Appeal. **Have you?**

If you haven't sent your gift, please consider making a donation today. Every dollar helps serve those in need in Eastern Oklahoma!

Use the enclosed envelope or go to cceok.org/donate to make an online donation.

"I am so grateful for the new partial dentures. I've got people depending on me, so I need to be able to chew food so I can have the energy to get out and get things done.

There was no way I was going to be able to get the dental care I needed. Catholic Charities has been nothing but a giant blessing in my life.

I'm looking forward to having some of the things I haven't been able to eat in a while.

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Craig | *Dental Care Client*

Way more than a party.

Cooking Up Compassion puts the FUN in fundraising.

Cooking Up Compassion on February 10th was another outpouring of support for our neighbors in need in Eastern Oklahoma.

Guests bid on five auction items, including Jolly, the adorable mini goldendoodle, and a suite for twelve at the U2 concert. Seven raffle items added even more excitement to the evening.

Capping off the program was "Serving Up Hope", which raised $75,000. Guests had the chance to be the "Last Man Standing" and win a beautiful wooden bowl hand-crafted by Bishop David Konderla.

To kick off the night, 12 local chefs donated their time and tasty talents, providing appetizers during cocktail hour.

Our 1,050 guests enjoyed the jazzy tunes of Mike Cameron Collective and took party pics at Shutter Shack Photo Booth.

Guests danced into the night to the high-energy Zodiac band.

Chef Joel Bein | *Oklahoma Rub*

Sarah Duffy was one of the three lucky grand prize winners in the Bruce G. Weber Precious Jewels Live Surprise! 300 guests purchased live surprise bags for $100 each. While each bag held a piece of jewelry, three lucky winners won diamond necklaces!

Sally Minshall | *Patron Chair*

Dr. Steve Paulsen & Melissa Minshall Paulsen | *Event Chairs*

Inspired by my parents' example, my life has always been guided by a dedication to family, faith, and community. From immigration to education, medical, dental, adoption, counseling, and emergency assistance, I have been awestruck at how Catholic Charities has grown into one main campus of comprehensive services. As a new member of the Board, I am humbled, honored and excited to be a part of such an amazing operation.

As Chairs of Cooking Up Compassion, my husband, Steve, and I extend our heartfelt gratitude to the countless individuals who graciously donated their time, talent, and financial support to ensure the success of this year's event and to ensure that the works of Catholic Charities continue to thrive.

"Whatever you did for the least of mine you did for me." Let these words be our call to action and a reminder of our mission to offer Christ's merciful love to those who suffer.

God Bless,
Melissa Minshall Paulsen

We've STRETCHED

Did you know?

A longtime leader in the Bartlesville nonprofit community, Mary Martha Outreach, has joined the family of Catholic Charities of Eastern Oklahoma. Last year, Mary Martha Outreach distributed 4.5 million pounds of food, primarily fresh produce, to neighbors in need and to 50 other nonprofit agencies in the area.

We are now distributing millions of pounds of fresh produce to families in need!

The majority of this food is donated from the Walmart Distribution Center just outside Bartlesville. As soon as they declare food a surplus, they call us. In 45 minutes, our refrigerated truck pulls in to pick it up. The food goes to Mary Martha's warehouse in Bartlesville, where it is distributed over a five-county area. With the help of 150 volunteers, we are also equipping families with clothing, haircuts, diapers, and needed household items and furniture.

With the addition of Mary Martha Outreach, Catholic Charities now distributes more food to those in need than any other organization in Oklahoma!

Our resources are STRETCHED and your support is needed now more than ever!

We count on YOU to stand with us and STRETCH with us through your financial support.

Every dollar is love changing lives in our community.