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## Interfaith Food Ministry

Feeding Families, Fueling Hope

# Rock Around Hunger Fundraising Evening



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The proceeds from which went into our new facility fund. This 50's themed event was intended to both raise money and to promote the work of IFM to a whole new group of people.

Community businesses were approached to support the event by purchasing a sponsorship, hosting a table or

donating to either the live or silent auction. Individual supporters of IFM were approached to purchase seats at a table of 8 inviting guests who were interested in increasing their support or who wanted to begin supporting IFM financially. With about 100 people in attendance, the evening was full of excitement and generosity.

We received pre-event sponsorships and tickets sales totaling nearly \$25,000.

The proceeds from the live & silent auction, the sponsorship of building items, drinks and donations from the evening totaled \$25,000. A generous supporter of IFM offered to match all funds generated the evening of June 22nd, which added another \$25,000 for a total of nearly \$75,000 going into our facility fund.

This event was only possible because of the countless hours put in by IFM volunteers. In particular a team of about 10 people met for months preparing for the event, working the evening of the event and wrapping up the event. Their dedication to the families who receive our help is inspiring. Because of their efforts less than 5% was spent on the

overhead for the evening. This is just another reminder of our commitment that donations go directly to better support the families who come through our doors.

We were overwhelmed by the response of individuals and businesses in our community and see this as confirmation that we are headed in the right direction as we move to a larger facility in 2014.

Many thanks to our wonderful sponsors for their support of this event:



## For The Heart - Changing Clients Lives

We have so many wonderful clients that we serve at IFM.

One in particular is a single mom, Debbie (not her real name). She began coming to IFM in 2000 when she found herself raising her five children in a mobile home and struggling to get by on part-time employment. Each Friday her shift ended at noon and she would race over to IFM. She says this was the highlight of her week. Not only because she received much needed food, but also because of the social aspect of each visit. She looked forward to seeing the volunteers, some of whom she became friends with. She also enjoyed visiting with the other clients each week. Her finances were so tight that she didn't really have a social life and her visits to IFM became a social outlet that she looked forward to. It was through a friendly volunteer at IFM that she found out about a program at Wolf Mountain Camp. Three of her children were able to have a summer camp experience on scholarship at Wolf Mountain. Debbie said she wouldn't have known about this if it weren't for the IFM volunteer that befriended her. She is so grateful and emphatic when she says that IFM made a huge difference in her life and that of her children.



## Upcoming Events

Fundraising dinner at California Organics is coming up soon! Enjoy a wonderful meal at California Organics on Tuesday, August 27, 2013 and 20% of the proceeds will be donated to IFM! There will be a raffle with fun prizes including local gift certificates.

California Organics is located at 135 Argall Way in Nevada City.

Spaghetti Dinner at Paulette's! As she did last spring, Paulette has generously offered her restaurant to IFM for another spaghetti dinner. We will host this fundraising event on Saturday, October 5th! Enjoy a delicious meal and fellowship with your friends. Tickets are \$10.00 and will be available soon.

## For The Mind

### By The Numbers

Jan - June 2013

Total served <b>down 5%</b> (due to reduced services)	29,295
Total grocery bags provided <b>down 7%</b>	35,714
Registered families (29% children, 10% seniors)	3,096
Personal donations <b>down 11%</b>	\$103,149
Building fund donations <b>up 178%</b>	\$48,611
Expenses <b>down 14%</b>	\$140,216

## With Gratitude

- Thank you to Sierra Presbyterian Church for sending us 12 of your congregation to clean IFM Sunday, July 21. They did more than we could have imagined and are encouraged by their commitment and support.
- Thank you to Gabrielle and her congregation at Sierra Center for Spiritual Living for the "bucket garden" they have created in her backyard. Our families are enjoying the fresh produce. Hope you saw the article in the newspaper highlighting their work.

## For Our Clients

Doubling Our Capacity To Serve The Hungry, Closer To Reality

Background:

- Over the past four years the need for our services has doubled.
- Our current facility on Whiting Street could not accommodate the increased demand.
- As a result IFM had to reduce services in order to meet City and neighborhood concerns.
- We started a search for a new building that would meet not only current, but also the future needs of the hungry.
- We found that building and extended an offer to purchase February 2013.

Today:

- As a result of extraordinary commitment, support, and prayers from the community and our partners, we expect to close escrow on October 1.
- Once escrow closes we will begin work to make the building ready for our move-in.
- Once that work is complete we will relocate to our new location Spring of 2014.

## A Simple Way to Help

Become a part of our sustaining circle by signing up for a recurring donation. It is easy when using PayPal and this link to our website:

[http://www.interfaithfoodministry.org/donate\\_funds.html](http://www.interfaithfoodministry.org/donate_funds.html)

## Help Wanted



**VP of Operations:** We are in need of a person with strong leadership skills and the time available to assist the Executive Director oversee the weekly workings at IFM.

**Facilities Manager:** We are in need of a person to keep track of the upkeep and maintenance of our facility.

Interested in any of these volunteer opportunities? If you are already a volunteer but want to help out in one of these areas, give Bernie Kringel a call at 274-2543 or email her at [bkringel@gmail.com](mailto:bkringel@gmail.com). If you haven't yet signed up to volunteer, you can pick up a form at

Interfaith Food Ministry or fill out the form using this link:

[http://www.interfaithfoodministry.org/volunteer\\_time\\_application.html](http://www.interfaithfoodministry.org/volunteer_time_application.html)

**PLEASE NOTE:** IFM maintains a database of all of our volunteers. We greatly appreciate each and every one of you. If you move, change your telephone number or email address, please be sure to let us know. In the event that you are no longer able to volunteer for us, we need to know that as well. Any of this information can be sent to Bernie Kringel at [bkringel@gmail.com](mailto:bkringel@gmail.com), or give Bernie a call at 274-2543.

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