



HMSHost Foundation Press Release

HMSHost Foundation Golf Tournament Bolsters Fight Against Poverty; Raises \$250,000

Fourth annual event celebrated nationwide impact with golf, grants, and more fundraising



HMSHost Foundation presents \$15,000 grant to Children of Restaurant Employees at Invitational Golf Classic. From left to right: Sheila McGee, Director, HMSHost Foundation; Lauren LaViola, Director of Development, Children of Restaurant Employees; Paul Mamalian, President, HMSHost Foundation.

ORLANDO (October 31, 2018) – This year [HMSHost Foundation's](#) Invitational Golf Classic celebrated the organization's commitment to end poverty in communities throughout North America. The event raised an estimated \$250,000 to be used by HMSHost Foundation in its mission to fight poverty and strengthen communities.

"This event would not be possible without the efforts and contributions of our exceptional family of HMSHost partners," said HMSHost President and CEO Steve Johnson. "I'd like to thank our sponsors AB InBev, Boston Beer Company, and Proximo Spirits and all of our participants for helping us exceed fundraising expectations. We are grateful for this opportunity to bring our industry together to give back to the community and help make a positive impact."

Since it was established, HMSHost Foundation has built a coast-to-coast network of partners around its mission to fight poverty. HMSHost Foundation has supported the work of over 55 mission-aligned charitable organizations across North America.

“HMShost Foundation’s 2018 tournament was a huge success and is truly indicative of the drive we all have to continue doing the work necessary in the fight against poverty,” said HMShost Foundation President Paul Mamalian. “We are proud to support so many great charitable organizations in the communities where HMShost operates and are thrilled about directing the funds contributed by our wonderful partners to spur real action in even more communities throughout North America.”

Among these exceptional organizations, Orlando Union Rescue Mission and Children of Restaurant Employees (CORE) were each presented grants of \$15,000 at the event.

Orlando Union Rescue Mission, operating since 1948, is a faith-based service provider for central Florida’s hungry, hurting, and homeless with programs focused on food, shelter, and personal development.

CORE is an organization that supports children of food and beverage families facing life-altering events such as death, medical conditions, home loss, and other extreme circumstances. In attendance as a featured beneficiary of the unique services provided by CORE was the Adkins family of Bradenton Florida. CORE supported the Adkins family when their baby daughter faced serious health issues.

The HMShost Foundation Invitational Golf Classic is held annually at the Reunion Resort and Club. This year’s tournament, with presenting sponsor AB InBev, drew record attendance with over 325 golfers registered to hit the links and participate in friendly contests in support of HMShost Foundation’s mission.

About HMShost Foundation

HMShost Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charity whose mission is to fight poverty in the local community with food, shelter, education, and workforce development. HMShost Foundation is uniquely positioned to give back to the communities in which it operates by combating the cycle of poverty at the local level. Charitable work carried out by HMShost Foundation is done based on pillars of giving:

- Combat hunger and promote nutritional wellness;
- Provide opportunity for financial stability through job training and placement;
- Encourage the next generation through access to education and training;
- Honor our veterans and their families.

Visit HMShostFoundation.org for more information.

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