



"BE A KID AGAIN. FIND THE JOY IN LIFE!"

Big Rider- St. Joe 500 25th Anniversary Benefit for MidCity Excellence Community Learning Center



Dear Community Partner,

For 25 years, **MidCity Excellence Community Learning Center (MCE)** has served St. Joseph as a free youth, family, enrichment, and prevention resource. This year, MCE served **316 children, youth, adults, and families** and engaged **12 adults in certified college classes** for workforce readiness. Many in our community are just now learning what happens inside MCE every week: afterschool and summer enrichment, meals, mentoring, mental and physical wellness, SEL/STEAM education, college and career readiness, YouthCity Gospel Choir, St. Joe Stixx Drumline, MidCity TrashCan Band, and free performing arts opportunities.

These positive, structured programs help keep youth safe, productive, connected, and moving toward excellence during the summer and year-round - at no cost to families. On **Saturday, August 1, 2026**, we will celebrate our 25th Anniversary with **"The Big Rider- St. Joe 500"**, a premiere FUNraiser built around nostalgia, laughter, friendly competition, team building, and community impact. We invite you to **give, sponsor, participate, or become a "Friend of MCE"**. Leadership gifts of \$5,000, \$10,000, \$20,000, and \$25,000+ may include premium recognition and limited complimentary engagement opportunities such as a Big Wheel team-building experience or performances by St. Joe Stixx Drumline and/or MidCity TrashCan Band, based on sponsor level, scheduling, and availability.

Please respond by **June 15** for priority recognition and scheduling. Sponsorships received by **July 1** receive the strongest placement consideration for event materials. Scan the QR code, visit **visitmce.org**, email **visitmce@gmail.com**, mobile **816.294.4727** or contact the office **816.273.5450**.

MCE is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. Contributions may be tax deductible. **We are inviting you to help inspire youth, strengthen families, and build the next 25 years of excellence.**

With gratitude and great expectation,

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