

Friends of Special Children 19th Annual ABC Event 2024

Co Chairs: Mike & Patricia Doubleday

Benefiting the children at  SIGNAL CENTERS

Children's Adventure Trail! Birds, Bees and Butterflies, Oh My!

Save The Date! 

Dinner & Live Auction, Oct 10th

Under Tent 5:30-7:30pm, 109 N. Germantown Rd. Chattanooga

Online Silent Auction, Sept 22-29th at biddingowl.com

Tickets & Sponsorships Available www.friendsofspecialchildren.org

You're invited to join us for the 2024 ABC (All aBout Children) Event! Thanks to the generous support of our community, last year's ABC Event successfully raised funds for the new "Friends Pavilion." Building upon those



achievements, we're continuing our journey down the Yellow Brick Road with the goal of raising funds to develop the green space surrounding the new pavilion. This initiative includes the development of a WALKING TRAIL designed to accommodate individuals of diverse abilities, including those using wheelchairs. The plan also includes reading areas, nature observation zones, and seating areas with benches. Time spent in a natural environment teaches children to enjoy and appreciate elements of nature and supports intellectual development.

We hope you'll join us in providing our children with an enriched outdoor area to play and learn!

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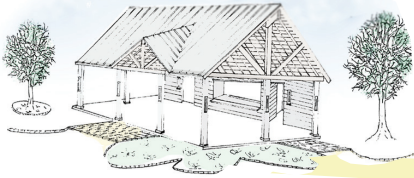


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Greetings,

We are delighted to extend an invitation to you to join us in supporting the children at Signal Centers as a sponsor of Friends of Special Children's 2024, 19th Annual ABC Event, titled, "The Children's Adventure Trail." Thanks to the generous support of our community, last year's ABC Event successfully funded the construction of the "Friends Pavilion," soon to be a reality!



Building on this achievement we're embarking on another journey along the Yellow Brick Road, with the goal of garnering \$175,000 to develop the green space surrounding the new pavilion. This initiative encompasses the development of an all inclusive WALKING TRAIL that will serve individuals of all abilities, including those in wheelchairs. The trail will feature reading areas, nature observation zones, and seating areas with benches.

The declining time children spend outdoors is a concerning trend. Research indicates that outdoor activities are crucial for the healthy development of children, particularly those with special needs. Time spent in natural environments not only fosters an appreciation for nature but also facilitates intellectual growth, enhances mood, reduces stress, restores attention, and strengthens immune systems.

In Hamilton County, over 50,000 individuals live with disabilities, with 28% residing below the poverty line. Many living in impoverished urban areas face significant challenges in accessing natural green spaces. Regrettably, 80% of the children attending Signal Centers are part of the free or reduced lunch program and reside in urban settings with limited outdoor learning opportunities.

Understanding the significant benefits of outdoor learning for these children, Friends of Special Children and Signal Centers are proactively creating an educational outdoor environment with broad intergenerational appeal. With the expertise of landscape architects and outdoor educational planners, our goal is to design a trail that preserves and enhances the natural surroundings while providing a safe and enjoyable learning experience for the children.

Your involvement and support in this endeavor would be greatly valued and we sincerely hope you will partner with us this year!

Warm Regards,
Angeline Fairchild | President FOSC

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WISE OWL | Lead Sponsor \$20,000

- A table seating eight at the ABC Event and delicious catered Dinner.
- Lead Sponsor recognition in all event promotional materials, digital and printed.
- Exclusive social media recognition.
- Exclusive recognition on printed and digital ABC Event banners.
- Acknowledgment from ABC Event podium.
- Live or prerecorded interview and check presentation to appear on social media.
- Full-page Ad in ABC event printed program.

DRAGONFLY | Platinum Sponsor \$15,000

- A table seating eight at the ABC Event and a delicious catered dinner.
- Recognition in event promotional materials.
- Exclusive social media recognition.
- Digital and printed ABC Event banner recognition.
- Acknowledgment from event podium.
- Live or prerecorded interview and check presentation to appear on social media.
- Full-page Ad in ABC Event printed program.

BUTTERFLY | Gold Sponsor \$10,000

- A table seating for eight at the ABC Event and a delicious catered dinner.
- Recognition in event promotional materials.
- Exclusive social media recognition.
- Digital and printed ABC Event Banner recognition.
- Live or prerecorded interview and check presentation to appear on social media.
- Full-page Ad in ABC Event printed program.

LADYBUG | Diamond Sponsor \$5,000

- A table seating eight and a delicious catered dinner at the ABC Event.
- Recognition in event promotional materials
- Digital ABC Event banner recognition.
- Live or prerecorded interview and check presentation to appear on social media.
- One-half page Ad in ABC Event printed program.

BLUEBIRD | Silver Sponsor \$2,500

- A table seating eight and a delicious catered dinner at the ABC Event.
- Recognition in event promotional materials.
- One-half page Ad in ABC Event printed program.

BEE | Bronze Sponsor \$1,500

- A table seating eight at the ABC Event and a delicious catered dinner.
- Recognition in event promotional materials.
- One-third page Ad in ABC Event printed program.

CRICKET | Corporate Table \$1,000

- A table seating for eight at the ABC Event and a delicious catered dinner.
- Corporate name will also be listed in printed program.

I would like to be a sponsor for the 2023 ABC Event at the _____ level

Business Name _____ Contact Person _____

Address _____

Email _____ Bus. Phone _____ Cell _____

Please list your table guests (Names & Email).

- 1) _____ Email _____
- 2) _____ Email _____
- 3) _____ Email _____
- 4) _____ Email _____
- 5) _____ Email _____
- 6) _____ Email _____
- 7) _____ Email _____
- 8) _____ Email _____

Mail in Registration: Complete this form and make check payable to Friends of Special Children and mail to: Friends of Special Children, P.O. Box 5718, Chattanooga, TN 37406 (Please include business card.)

Online Registration: www.friendsofspecialchildren.org. Complete the Online form and pay with credit card.
Questions: contact Angeline Fairchild: 410-404-3310 Angeline@friendsofspecialchildren.org

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Host Table & Individual Tickets (Non Corporate)

ABC Host Table/s \$550.00 ea.

As an ABC Event Table Host you will receive the following benefits: A table seating eight and a delicious catered dinner at the ABC Event. In addition your name will be listed in ABC Event printed program.

Individual Ticket/s \$75.00 ea.

Each guests will have seating and enjoy a catered dinner.

ABC Event Early Registration & Door Prize:

Register for the ABC Event before July 26th and you and your guests will be entered for a chance to win an APPLE WATCH! Winner announced on July 30th via FOSC Social Media pages. Door Prize: All ABC Event attendees will have the opportunity to enter to win an iPhone. (Must be present to win.)

Please select your desired level of support for the 19th Annual ABC Event. Complete the form and submit.

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Name: _____

Address _____

Email _____ Cell _____

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In the event we are unable to hold a live event 100% of your donation is tax exempt. Tax I.D. 26-1714442.

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SILENT AUCTION REQUEST FORM

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Central to our vision is the creation of an all-inclusive WALKING TRAIL, accessible to individuals of all abilities, including those in wheelchairs. Imagine a trail adorned with a reading nook, nature observation zones, and cozy seating areas complete with benches—a space where everyone can explore, learn, and connect with nature.

We're reaching out to you to be part of this meaningful endeavor by contributing an in-kind donation of merchandise or a gift card/s to our online ABC SILENT AUCTION, beginning 9/22/24 to 9/29. Our popular Silent Auction serves as a kick-off to our ABC Dinner event which takes place on October 10th with over 400 attendees. The deadline for Silent Auction donations is 9/12/24. Your generosity will not go unnoticed; your name and/or logo will be prominently displayed on our auction website and featured in our event printed program. In addition, please contact us if you are interested in a corporate sponsorship.

Your partnership in this venture is invaluable to us, and we sincerely hope you'll join forces with us this year. Together, we can make a lasting impact on the lives of children with special needs in our community.

Thank You,
Angeline Fairchild | President
Angeline@friendsofspecialchildren.org
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SILENT AUCTION REQUEST FORM

I would like to support the children at Signal Centers School by donating to the ABC Silent Auction in the following way: Donation Description _____

_____ Value _____

Business Name _____ Phone _____

Contact Person _____ Email _____

Address _____

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ABC EVENT PRINTED PROGRAM AD

We invite you to take advantage of this advertising opportunity and support our endeavor by purchasing an ad in our printed event program.

Accepting Business Advertisements, Tributes, Honorariums and Memorials

_____ \$400 Full Page _____ \$100 One Third Page
_____ \$250 Half Page _____ \$50 Business Card

SUBMIT YOUR AD

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Be sure to mail in (or upload) your business card with logo, art, or photo etc. For questions contact: angeline@friendsofspecialchildren.org, Ph. 410-404-3310.

Your Name _____

Business Name (if applicable) _____

Email _____ Address _____

Bus Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Text as you would like it to appear in ad _____

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