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*The Mobile Area Interfaith
Conference vision is to build
relationships of healing,
redemption and
reconciliation in families and
communities impacted by
crime and incarceration.*

November 1, 2019

Dear Friend:

RE: Mobile Area Interfaith Conference Christmas Gala

The Mobile Area Interfaith Conference on behalf of its programs, the Metro Chaplaincy Program and the Neighbor Center will host a Christmas Fundraising Gala on Thursday, December 5, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Courtyard of Hargrove Engineers and Constructors on Conti Street. The address is the 100 block of Conti Street (entrance between Olensky Brothers and Hargrove Office). Parking is available on the street or in the Riverview parking deck on Royal Street. There will be hor' d'ouves provided by Von's Bistro, silent auction, and Christmas entertainment throughout the night. Tickets are \$40.00 single and \$70.00 a couple.

For those incarcerated and those formerly incarcerated, the holidays can be just another painful reminder of the isolation, rejection, and struggles they face daily. This fund raiser gives you the perfect opportunity to help them find the hope and resources they need to thrive and prosper. We are inviting you to become a part of this community effort to restore hope to our neighbors and reduce the recidivism rate in our community (which reduces the burden on the entire criminal justice system) and saves our community millions of dollars each year.

We offer opportunities for sponsorships and/or silent auction items. Sponsorships ensure that your company/organization will be recognized for its generosity and support on our website and our sponsorship board displayed at the event. Please fill out the enclosed sponsorship form and return to the address below. There is also a form to donate silent auction items.

If you have any questions, please contact us at maic.quest@gmail.com.

Help us help our neighbors. Thank you for our support.



Jim Backes
MAIC Board President



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SERVING CURRENTLY AND PREVIOUSLY INCARCERATED NEIGHBORS

Making a Difference in Our Community

How your support of the MAIC programs helps to impact the lives of those we serve.

THE NEED

The Gulf Coast states incarcerate citizens at rates far above the nation average. The financial strain of these levels of incarceration has made Alabama prisons dangerous to staff, a horror for inmates and absent of any significant programs to prepare inmates for reentry. Civil penalties imposed after release make finding and holding a good job extremely difficult. **As a result, within three years 2 of every 3 released inmates violate parole or re-offend and are sent back to jail, further straining and over-taxed system.**

THE SOLUTION

Through the pre-release programs inside Mobile Metro Jail, inmates are offered programs that help them with life-skills, GED, and spiritual enrichment. The rate of returning citizens assisted by The Neighbor Center is half of the National rate. And that number is cut in half again when The Neighbor Center assists with housing. **Just considering the cost of incarceration, pre-release and post-release programs have already contributed between \$2 MM and \$3 MM to Southwest Alabama.**

THE OPPORTUNITY

While the Alabama State Legislature responds to the recent declaration of our prisons as unconstitutionally cruel, MAIC is focused on how to encourage more inmates to see a new life post-release, and then walk alongside them to overcome obstacles that they face once released. By removing these returning citizens from the system that rotates them back to prison, we reduce the burden on the entire criminal justice system and restore these persons to productive citizenship. **The opportunity is here to help returning citizens avoid being driven to crimes out of desperation and to make our neighborhoods safer.**

BUSINESS AS USUAL / no support at all
5 out of 8 return

RESTORATIVE SERVICES /
pre-release and post-release services
3 out of 8 return

RESTORATIVE SERVICES+HOUSING/
pre-release and post-release services +housing
1 out of 8 return



Mobile Area Interfaith Christmas Gala
"Christmas in the Courtyard"
Thursday, December 5, 2019 • 6:00 – 8:00 P.M.

Sponsorship Levels

Santa Claus Sponsor - \$2500.00

- 6 complimentary tickets to gala
- 6 sponsor name tags
- Company mentioned at event
- Name listed on website and advertising banner
- Leave behind promotional material

Elves Sponsor - \$1000.00

- 4 complimentary tickets to gala
- 4 sponsor name tags
- Company mentioned at event
- Name listed on website and advertising banner
- Leave behind promotional material

Reindeer Sponsor - \$500.00

- 2 complimentary tickets to gala
- 2 sponsor name tags
- Name listed on website and advertising banner
- Leave behind promotional material

Christmas Tree Sponsor - \$100.00

- 1 complimentary ticket to gala
- 1 sponsor name tag
- Name listed on website and advertising banner



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Sponsorship Commitment Form
“Christmas in the Courtyard”

Personal/Company Name

Name of Sponsorship Contact

Mailing Address, City, Zip Code

Phone Number

Email Address

Signature

Date

Website: for logo/link

Form of Payment:

Check (make payable to MAIC)

Online giving www.mobileareainterfaith.org

Submit Sponsorship Form to:

MAIC

Post Office Box 16605

Mobile, AL 36616

(251)308-8725

maic.quest@gmail.com

Thank you for your
support!



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Silent Auction Sponsorship Form
“Christmas in the Courtyard”

Thank you for making a contribution to our silent auction. Please complete this form and send by email maic.quest@gmail.com or mail to Post Office Box 16605, Mobile, AL 36616.

Donor Name

Organization Name

Mailing Address, City, Zip Code

Phone Number

Email Address

Signature

Date

Please provide a brief description of the item you are donating:

Please provide an approximate retail value: \$ _____

Call 251-308-8725 for pickup.

Thank you for your support!