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2023 CHAMPIONS FOR CHILDREN GALA HOST COMMITTEE: AN INVITATION TO MAKE A TRANSFORMATIONAL DIFFERENCE

About Texas Center for the Missing (TCM)

MISSION: **Texas Center for the Missing, Houston's Amber Alert AND Silver Alert Provider**, is dedicated to bringing hope and healing to the missing and their families through crisis intervention, prevention, and community education.

HISTORY: Texas Center for the Missing (TCM), a 501c3 nonprofit missing persons organization formerly known as Gabriel's Gifts, was formed in March of 2000 after the disappearance of 17-year-old Gabriel Lester who was reported missing from his high school. Gabriel's mother, a Houston-area businesswoman, decided after his remains were located four months later to turn her tragedy into a positive effort that would have an impact on the missing and their families in Greater Houston.

2023 TCM Gala Details

Honoring:	April and Wells McGee, <i>2023 Gabriel Lester Hero Award Recipients</i> Special Agent Glenn Gregory, FBI-Houston, Retired, <i>2023 George T. Buenik Law Enforcement Excellence Award Recipient</i>
2023 Gala Co-Chairs:	Ginger Arwadi and Ashley Rice
2023 Gala Committee:	Nadine Boutros, Cortney Cole-Hall, Trienet del Valle (<i>Wine Chair</i>), Wendy Frailey, Lindsay Graham (<i>Auction Chair</i>), Julie Ludeke, Brandi Maxwell, Kelly Opre, Lynn Sessions, Sarah Stuhldreher, and Desiree Urrutia
Location:	Hotel ZaZa Museum District 5701 Main St Houston, TX 77005
Date and Time:	March 25, 2023, 7 PM - Midnight
Theme:	Follow the Yellow Brick Road: There's No Place Like Home
Event Goals:	300 Attendance, \$200,000+ raised

2023 TCM Host Committee Member Action List

- ☐ Provide name listing to be featured in all print materials
(Submitted by 6/24/22 to support@tcftm.org for inclusion in Save the Date)
- ☐ Purchase or sell 2 Tickets to the 2023 TCM Gala on March 25, 2023
(Pricing projected to range from \$400 per ticket to Table Sponsorships from \$3,000 - \$20,000)
- ☐ Support 1 or More Sub-Committee Teams:
 - o **Wine Committee:** Donate or purchase a \$75 bottle of wine for the Wine Pull (100 bottle goal).
 - o **Auction/Raffle Committee:** Secure 1-2 Auction/Raffle Items and promote online auction early bidding and raffle ticket pre-sales via social media platforms.

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