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DreamINN Big! Gala

In support of Inn from the Cold's Early Childhood Development Program

Presented by:



Crescent Point

Hosted by:







Because of YOU we raised over \$200,000!

Thank you for your participation and support of our 3rd Annual DreamINN Big! Family Gala. Because of you, we raised just over \$200,000 for our Early Childhood Development (ECD) program. Early childhood is a crucial stage for physical, intellectual, emotional and social development and ECD helps our young guests heal and get the skills to break the cycle of homelessness. You are truly making a difference in the lives of the children we serve.

Click here to see a video from the 2015 DreamINN Big! Gala:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Daz6q_Ugl0g



Do you feel you learned about the mission and purpose of Inn from the Cold?





Do you feel you learned about our Early Childhood Development Program?

513 Attendees338 Adults -&- 175 Children

33 Sponsors80 Volunteers Engaged







NET PROCEEDS \$207,646.27



Impact of your investment - over \$200,000 raised

Thanks to your tremendous investment, the Early Childhood Development (ECD) program continues to foster the healthy development of marginalized children and youth experiencing homelessness. With 56% of our guests on any given night age 17 and under, this program has a profound impact and the ability to change lives.

As unfortunate as it is – many of the children who walk through our doors come from families where poverty and homelessness are intergenerational. This cycle of homelessness and the accompanying risk factors: developmental delays, FASD, illiteracy, and behavioural issues are contributing factors to homeless children becoming homeless adults. The ECD program is our response to breaking this cycle.

By providing programming that not only promotes parent-child interaction and positive parenting practices, but also age appropriate physical, emotional, and social skill development through highly intentional activities, we are changing life trajectories and setting a path towards success and independence.

Over the past ten months, ECD has offered **520** activities, in collaboration with like-minded family serving agencies, to a total of **4,783** children and parents. Examples of activities include Parent-Child Mother Goose, which emphasizes healthy attachment between parents and children, the importance of rhyme and song in a child's language and cognitive development, and early literacy skills; or Drama Club, which uses theatre techniques to promote personal growth and stimulates children's social development through role play, cooperating, listening and turn-taking.

Children learn what they live and their experience actually shapes their brain. Within ECD, children who have experienced chronic stress and trauma are given a chance to stabilize in a supportive learning environment, their brains can heal and develop. It is never too late. Your investment ensures that the ECD team can continue to promote the healthy development of homeless children and their families through preventative child-focused activities.

Without appropriate intervention, homeless children become homeless adults. Together, we provide the necessary supports for children and families to successfully move beyond homelessness and break this cycle.

Click here to learn more about the critical need for ECD programs: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0i1EPFwmIV0







Inn from the Cold

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Thank you Breakfast Television Calgary and Crescent Point Energy for supporting our young #homeless guests. Our 3rd Annual DreamINN Big! Gala is happening Saturday, September 26 and supports our Early Childhood Development (ECD) programs. In 2014, 1,244 children sought shelter at the Inn and half of them were under the age of six; critical years in a youngsters developmental stage. ECD programs help deal with issues caused by chronic toxic stress, #poverty #homelessness #malnourishment and more. Check out the interview here.

http://www.btcalgary.ca/videos/4458957044001/



2,734 people reached

Boosted

Our DreamINNBig! Gala reached followers and donors through many different channels. Over the last year our Facebook reach has increased by 59% to 2,263 followers, and our Twitter account currently reaches 6,417 followers. Throughout the month of September 2015, our tweets related to the Gala had an estimated **33.8k impressions** and **2,223 profile visits!**

Top media Tweet earned 2,109 impressions

Thx @ENMAX 4 your help with preparing treats for our DreamINN Big! Gala! #allaboutthekids #yyc #volunteer pic.twitter.com/qqSgWi8s5L



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Top mention earned 463 engagements



* W. Brett Wilson *

@WBrettWilson · Sep 26

#AllAboutTheKids - a gala in support of @InnFromTheCold

A core community cause of mine pic.twitter.com/x2TVpCmgGL



4.5 **13.**10 ♥43





Inn from the Cold on Breakfast Television http://www.btcalgary.ca/videos/4458957044001/

ADVERTISING SPONSORSHIP

We had enormous support from local media outlets and received significant coverage through sponsorship support from:









Archive for "DreamINN Big Family Gala" Tag

DreamINN Big! Family Gala - SOLD



Broken clouds, Cold.

Rate Our Music

Like it
Just OK

Join KISS 95.9 and support the **Twilight Teddy Bear Picnic!** It's a family gala hosted by Inn from the Cold happening Saturday, September 26th at the BMO Centre, Stampede Park.

"If you go down in the woods today, you're sure of a big surprise..."

Little kids, big kids and the biggest kids of all (moms and dads) will be surprised and delighted when they enter a Twillight Teddy Bear Picnic themed wonderland in the Palomino Room at the BMO Centre.

Surrounded by marvelous things to eat and wonderful games to play; families will enjoy music and dancing, roaming performers, family photos and a silent auction full of exciting goodies for both children and adults.

At 10 o'clock mommies and daddies will take their tired little teddy bears home to bed full of tasty treats and all danced out!

THANKS CALGARY! This event is now sold out! Thank you for your support.

Inn from the Cold featured on 95.9 KiSS









128,160 at 15 high traffic locations

Indoor digital impressions:

984,294 over 28 days



Inn from the Cold Calgary Sun advertisement

6 weeks,
Full Colour,
Half-Page ads
in the Sunday edition



E-NEWSLETTER

We have a database of nearly 7,000 email newsletter subscribers who consist of our supporters, donors, volunteers and generous Calgarians. The DreamINN Big! Gala and our sponsors received extensive reach through this campaign.





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Thank you all for attending our 3rd Annual DreamINN Big! Family Gala. Because of you, we raised just over \$200,000 for our Early Childhood Development Programs. You are truly making a difference in the lives of the children we serve.

Please take a moment to fill out our brief survey by clicking the link below: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DreamINNBig

You can also check out the photo album or our Facebook page here:





Purchase tables here...







The Early Childhood Development (ECD) program gives children the best start in life, setting the course towards a healthy independent future

The 3rd Annual DreamINN Big! Gala supports these critical programs. Every child deserves a chance and last year 1,244 children came to

Meadows on

We are thrilled to be part of Spruce Meadow's Horses Jump to Give a Leg Up fundraiser.

Volunteers, supporters and staff can get free tickets to Spruce Meadows this Saturday, where all of the horses will be on display. We hope to see

To get complimentary tickets:

Supporting local charities

Birdies for Kids presented by AltaLink is a fundraiser for local children & youth

You can support the Inn by making a donation or a pledge for each birdie made by Champion Tour players during the 2015 Shaw Charity Classic until Sunday, August 9th

We receive 100% of funds PLUS matching donations.





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We are thrilled to announce that the 3rd Annual DreamINN Big! Family Gala supporting our Early Childhood Development (ECD) programs is SOLD OUT! In 2014 more than half of the 1,244 children who sought shelter at the Inn were under the age of 6.

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