



2015 WASTE MANAGEMENT PHOENIX OPEN AND THE THUNDERBIRDS RAISE RECORD-BREAKING \$9,060,731 FOR LOCAL CHARITIES

Waste Management Phoenix Open hosts, The Thunderbirds, will hand out a record \$9,060,731 to local charities this year through proceeds raised from the 2015 tournament. This is the highest single-year charitable donation in tournament history, helping to reach a historic milestone of more than \$100 million that The Thunderbirds have raised in the history of the organization, dating back to 1932.

This marks the first time that The Thunderbirds have eclipsed the \$9 million mark in money raised in a single year, surpassing the previous record of \$8.8 million that was raised in 2008.

The Thunderbirds and the Waste Management Phoenix Open have raised more than \$36 million (\$36,372,368) for charities since 2010 when Waste Management became title sponsor. In its history, dating back to 1932, the Phoenix Open has raised more than \$102 million (\$102,418,934) for charities in Arizona.

“Each and every year is special when we make this announcement but this year is extra special and truly a proud moment for The Thunderbirds,” Calihan said. “We had our eye on the road to \$100 million, and to reach that milestone by breaking our own single-year record is spectacular. Thanks to our title sponsor Waste Management and to

great community and corporate support we were able to achieve our goals and help out so many children and families in need in the Valley.”

The 2015 Waste Management Phoenix Open was a record-setting event, as two of the tournament days drew record attendance along with the overall attendance record for the week. Wednesday’s record attendance reached 75,380, while Thursday’s first round attendance record was set at 118,461, the first time a Thursday crowd reached more than 100,000 in the tournament’s history. The weeklong attendance of 564,368 edged out the previous record of 563,008, which was set in 2014.



**CELEBRATING \$100 MILLION
IN CHARITABLE GIVING**

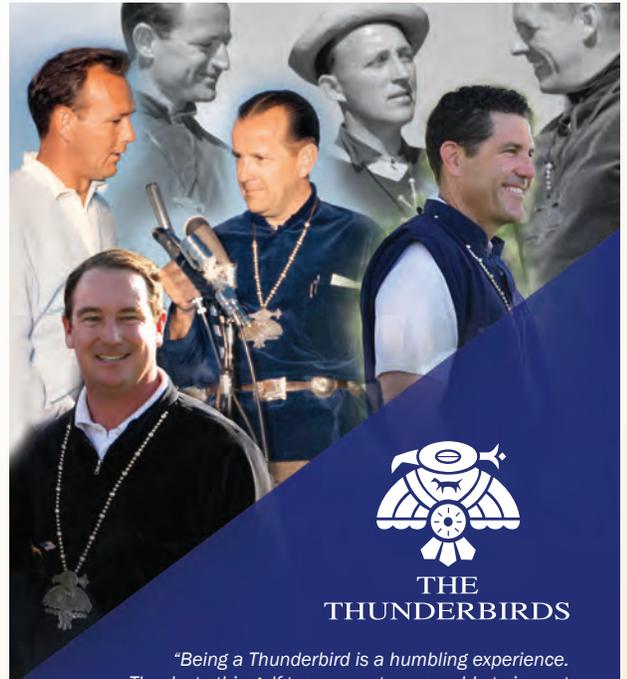
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**ONE VICTORY AT A TIME.
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SUPPORTING THE VALLEY OF THE SUN THROUGH SPORTS is just one of the many missions of The Thunderbirds, hosts of the Waste Management Phoenix Open. Like Special Olympics Arizona, The First Tee of Phoenix, Miracle League of Arizona. And countless others. While the historic milestone of \$100 million in charitable giving over 80 years is now a reality, the true impact is expressed one story at a time. The Thunderbirds would like to thank all of our fans and sponsors for your continued support of the Waste Management Phoenix Open. For more Arizona success stories, visit www.thunderbirdscharities.org.

*Roxanne, Special Olympics of Arizona Athlete
Dan Mahoney, Thunderbird*

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"Being a Thunderbird is a humbling experience. Thanks to this golf tournament we are able to impact the lives of so many children and families in our community. Seeing first hand the results of our efforts is truly remarkable and I am proud to call myself a Thunderbird."

WHO ARE THE THUNDERBIRDS?

- Mission is to promote the Valley through sports, assist people in need and improve quality of life
- Comprised of more than 300 local business leaders and community advocates
- First hosted the Phoenix Open in 1939 thanks to fellow Thunderbird Bob Goldwater

WHAT DO THEY DO?

- Donate countless hours year-round to host the Waste Management Phoenix Open
- Generate millions of dollars for local charities each year - more than \$9 million in 2015 alone
- Raised more than \$102 million to date for Arizona Charities
- Promote the game through junior golf programming
- Make a difference in the lives of thousands of people in need

WHAT'S BEHIND THE NAME AND UNIFORM?

- Named in honor of the Phoenix Chamber of Commerce's Native American Symbol
- Iconic blue tunic and beaded necklace and belt pay homage to Arizona's Native American heritage

WHO DO THEY HELP?

- Special Olympics Arizona, Make-a-Wish Foundation of Arizona, Waste Not, Desert Voices, Foundation for Blind Children, First Tee of Phoenix, and hundreds more.

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*Amelia, Make-A-Wish Arizona
Katie Barman, Thunderbird*

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Christian, Boys and Girls Club of Metropolitan Phoenix

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HERE IS A SMALL SELECTION OF THE CHARITIES THAT HAVE BEEN SUPPORTED BY THUNDERBIRDS' CHARITIES OVER THE YEARS.



The purpose of AASK is to provide relationships for children in foster care, by connecting children with foster families, adoptive families, siblings, kin, and adult mentors.

OUR GOALS FOR NEXT YEAR: To recruit, train, and support safe and loving family homes for children, and to reunite brothers and sisters separated by foster care.

WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF: Volunteers and tax credit donations.



Benevilla strengthens communities by offering supportive, life enriching programs that enable personal independence and dignity.

OUR GOALS FOR NEXT YEAR: Expanding services to more populations in need of support and increasing our volunteer services.

WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF: Support! Whether through time, talent or treasure.



The Junior Golf Association of Arizona (JGAA) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that introduces Arizona's youth to the game of golf and helps junior golfers develop golf and life skills through competitive programs and tournaments. Our mission is to educate, motivate and inspire future leaders through the game of golf.

OUR GOALS FOR 2016: Grow membership and increase tournament participation, while expanding the Youth on Course program, offering affordable golf for all juniors across Arizona.

WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF: Volunteers, donated golf equipment and people looking to give back to game of golf.



To provide opportunities to children and adults with physical and/or mental challenges to play Miracle League baseball, regardless of their disabilities

OUR GOALS FOR 2016: To expand our program to be able to serve 225 participants and 250 volunteers.

WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF: More volunteers and financial sources as we offer this activity free of cost to our families.



We grant the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy.

OUR GOALS FOR NEXT YEAR: Our goal at Make-A-Wish Arizona is the same every year: to reach more children who are diagnosed with life-threatening medical conditions so we can bring hope, strength and joy into their lives when they need it most.

WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF: Dollars and airline miles! Direct cash donations are the most important as we work on wishes as diverse as trips to Disney theme parks or treehouses in the backyard. Airline miles that are about to expire never expire when donated to Make-A-Wish Arizona!



New Pathways for Youth's mission is to empower youth to achieve their potential through mentoring and life skill development.

GOALS FOR 2016: To achieve financial stability, develop enduring board strength, increase brand awareness and provide support to programs, mentors, operations and facilities.

ALWAYS IN NEED OF:

- 1.) Volunteer mentors who provide a transformative mentoring relationship for our youth, creating a culture of hope and possibility so our youth have the opportunity to achieve their greatest potential.
- 2.) Support for our transformative mentoring program through online giving, monthly giving program, workplace giving and employer matching gifts as well as memorial and tribute gifts.



St. Joseph the Worker (SJW) is a privately funded, non-profit agency whose mission is to assist homeless, low-income and other disadvantaged individuals in becoming self-sufficient through quality employment. SJW is unique and fortunate in that our mission is simple and our impact is large: we help women, men, and those with families in getting jobs; giving the opportunity to end their homelessness and begin healing their lives.

GOALS FOR 2016: During this FY15-16, St. Joseph the Worker is committed to helping 3,000 motivated clients program wide achieve employment.

ALWAYS IN NEED OF: St. Joseph the Worker is 100% privately funded, meaning we do not accept any government funding; we rely solely on community support to carry out our mission. We can honestly say that every cash or in-kind donation counts.



Our mission statement is to alleviate local hunger. We do this by rescuing perishable food that would otherwise be thrown away and delivering to diverse non-profit agencies that serve and empower low-income and indigent men, women and children.

GOALS FOR 2016: Our primary goal for next year is to keep working toward 3 million pounds of food recovered in a single year; add an additional route and maintain our excellent level of service to all of those who depend upon us for hope as well as sustenance.

ALWAYS IN NEED OF: More food! We have a waiting list for those needing our services. The issue of hunger in our community is not abating... one in four kids goes to bed hungry.



Helping homeless and vulnerable youth grow and thrive.

GOALS FOR 2016: Evaluate and expand to meet the need, increase community awareness and support, obtain the resources that support the mission.

ALWAYS IN NEED OF: Supporters/donors who believe in our mission.



Homeward Bound creates pathways out of poverty for homeless families ready to make a change.

OUR GOALS FOR NEXT YEAR: Expanding our employment center and the opening of Homeward Bound's on-site after school program.

WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF: Household necessities to make a family's new house a home when moving into our program.



Our mission is to impact the lives of young people in Maricopa County by utilizing a primary facility and other existing facilities to create affordable and accessible golf to serve young people who have not previously had exposure to the game of golf by providing educational programs that build character, instill life-enhancing values and promote healthy choices through the game of golf.

OUR GOALS FOR NEXT YEAR: To expand our programming locations to areas of The Valley that we currently do not have a presence, expand our National School Program in districts where we currently do not have partnerships, and introduce our New DRIVE after school program to schools and youth organizations.

WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF: Volunteers, golf equipment donations, new members, Scholarship donations, fundraising opportunities and new programming locations.



Where Vision Loss Is A Diagnosis, Not A Disability

GOALS FOR 2016: To increase our parent engagement with kids who are visual impaired and increase the amount of extra-curricular activities our kids and clients are doing in the community to help them grow socially and through experiences outside their comfort zone.

ALWAYS IN NEED OF: Event sponsors, Community Awareness, and of course engaged and caring volunteers and donors.



To establish lifelong relationships with our donors and raise necessary philanthropic support for Phoenix Children's Hospital.

GOALS FOR 2016: To have broken ground on our new Emergency Department and Level 1 Trauma Center, and continue to raise critical funds that support every aspect of care provided to the patients of Phoenix Children's.

ALWAYS IN NEED OF: Individuals, businesses, and organizations willing to support our mission, advocate on our behalf, and keep our patients and families in their hearts and minds.



The Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Phoenix enables all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.

GOALS FOR 2016: To serve 25,000 youth aged 5 to 18 at our 13 Clubs, Dental Clinic, and local outreach services.

ALWAYS IN NEED OF: Volunteers, school supplies, supplies for our Dental Clinic, and financial support.



St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance's mission is to alleviate hunger through the gathering and distribution of food while encouraging self-sufficiency, collaboration, advocacy and education. St. Mary's is committed to improving the quality of life for Arizonans, building community partnerships, and volunteerism.

GOALS FOR 2016: To feed more children, especially low-income children in rural areas.

ALWAYS IN NEED OF: Money, volunteer hours and food drives.



To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build a healthy spirit, mind and body for all.

GOALS FOR 2016: Close the achievement gap by providing youth of all ages equal access to educational opportunities and offer all youth opportunities for socio-emotional and physical growth in order to support academic and career success.

Reduce health disparities by offering programs that promote healthy-life styles that are culturally competent, financially accessible, and inclusive; and create collaborations with medical providers and researchers to ensure a continuum of care and dissemination of knowledge.

Convene community solutions by facilitating connections among community organizations; provide access to meaningful, engaging, and transformative volunteer opportunities; train Y leaders and model behaviors that support partnership as an integral part of programming.



The mission of Special Olympics is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.

OUR GOALS FOR NEXT YEAR: Increase programmatic development, increase our athlete and partner base that we serve around the state, and create more awareness of the power and ability of individuals with intellectual disabilities in our communities.

WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF: Volunteers, coaches, athletes, partners, community leaders, fans in the stands, or anyone that would like to be involved in any capacity.

2014/2015 CHARITABLE DONATIONS THUNDERBIRDS CHARITIES

Aid to Adoption of Special Kids Kinship Foster Care	\$25,000	Elevate Phoenix Discover Your Future	\$50,000	Prostate On-Site Project Prostate Cancer screenings.	\$7,500
Angels On Patrol Inc Improving the Lives of Needy Children, Youth and Families	\$10,000	Expect More Arizona Engaging Parents in Student Success	\$50,000	Release The Fear Inside-Out Bridging Possibilities Workshops for Incarcerated Youth	\$5,000
Arizona Burn Foundation The Forever Courage House	\$150,000	Foundation for Blind Children Building for the Next Generation	\$250,000	Ryan House Life-enhancing Therapies for Children	\$25,000
Arizona Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics Medical Services Project	\$10,000	Free Arts For Abused Children Of Arizona Free Arts Programs for Children	\$5,000	Save The Family Foundation Of Arizona Latchkey Prevention Program	\$60,000
Arizona Council On Economic Education Economics for Everyday Living	\$25,000	Fresh Start Women's Foundation Career Services	\$15,000	Scottsdale Training & Rehabilitation Services Inc STARS' Therapeutic Autism Program	\$50,000
Arizona Friends Of Foster Children Fdn Supporting Young Athletes in Foster Care	\$15,000	Future For Kids Discover Your Future	\$2,500	Sharing Down Syndrome Arizona New Parent Support Program	\$10,000
Arizona Helping Hands Helping Hands for Foster Kids	\$25,000	Gabriel's Angels Pet Therapy Program	\$14,000	Shoebox Ministry Inc Toiletries for the Homeless and Working Poor	\$25,000
Arizona Spinal Cord Injury Association Inc "Wheeling Towards Independence"	\$5,000	Gompers Habilitation Center Standard Teaching Method Model	\$50,000	Sirrinc Adult Day Care Of Mesa Inc Day Clubs, an innovative care solution for seniors.	\$2,500
Arizona's Children Association Arizona Kinship Support Services	\$40,000	Great Arizona Puppet Theater Inc Reach Out With Puppets	\$2,500	Sojourner Center Young Child's Educational Path Affected by Domestic Violence	\$35,000
Assistance League of East Valley Arizona Operation School Bell	\$15,000	Greater Paradise Valley Comm. Assistance Team Backpack Program	\$10,000	Southwest Center For HIV/AIDS Child Care for Children Impacted by HIV/AIDS	\$10,000
Audubon Arizona Nature in Your Neighborhood	\$10,000	Homeward Bound Children's Services	\$200,000	Special Olympics Arizona State Competitions	\$150,000
Back To School Clothing Drive New Clothes, New Beginnings program	\$15,000	Hospice of the Valley New Song Center for Grieving Children	\$15,000	St Mary's Food Bank Alliance Kids Feeding program	\$50,000
Be A Leader Foundation PIPELINE of College-Going Programs	\$50,000	Justa Center Sexual Trauma Program	\$35,000	St. Joseph the Worker Mobile Success Unit	\$100,000
Benevilla Helping Partners Program	\$15,000	Literacy Volunteers Of Maricopa County Inc Learning Lab Computer Upgrade	\$10,000	Stardust Non-Profit Building Supplies Inc Gifts In Kind Program	\$10,000
Better To Give "Holiday Giving Store"	\$5,000	Make-A-Wish Foundation® of Arizona Wish House	\$100,000	StreetLightUSA Facilities Expansion	\$93,346
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Arizona STARS - Mentoring Children of Incarcerated Parents	\$10,000	Marc Center Of Mesa Inc Freestone Day Activity and Senior Center	\$95,000	Summer Youth Program Fund 2015 Summer Program	\$25,000
Boys Hope Girls Hope Arizona Learning Centers	\$30,000	Melonhead Foundation Inc Patient Aid Assistance Program	\$5,000	Teen Lifeline Inc Crisis Hotline	\$5,000
Chandler Christian Community Center Chandler Food Bank	\$10,000	Mentorkids Usa South Phoenix Enrichment Program	\$5,000	The Society of St Vincent De Paul Community Dining Room Program	\$50,000
Child & Family Resources Inc MCAP Technology and Career Development Center	\$75,000	Military Assistance Mission Inc Basic Life Needs and Education	\$50,000	The Victoria Foundation, Inc. Grant Park: Project Reconnect	\$50,000
Childrens Museum Of Phoenix Courtyard Renovation	\$35,000	Miracle League Of Arizona "PLAY BALL at MLAZ"	\$50,000	Treasures 4 Teachers Inc T4T on Wheels	\$15,000
Civitan Foundation Inc Respite Ranch	\$25,000	Mitchell Swaback Charities Inc Harvest Compassion Center	\$10,000	United Food Bank Kids LIFE	\$10,000
Cortney's Foundation Inc Improving the Lives of Disabled Adults	\$5,000	Neighborhood Ministries Inc Katy's Kids Early Childhood Development Preschool	\$25,000	Upward Foundation Lifting Children Upward Campaign	\$100,000
Desert Mission Inc Lincoln Learning Center Playground Renovation	\$100,000	OCJ Kids Transition Success Center Project	\$5,000	Valle Del Sol Incorporated Pediatric and Family Clinic	\$15,000
Detour Company Theater Inc Just What We Need, MORE Drama...Skills!	\$7,000	Open Table, Inc. New Fatherhood Model	\$10,000	VALLEYLIFE Safe Transferring Equipment	\$25,000
DOVES® Shelter Services	\$20,000	Paz De Cristo Community Center Housing Assistance	\$10,000	Waste Not Inc Food Rescue Program	\$60,000
DS Network Team Up for Down Syndrome	\$15,000	Phoenix Childrens Hospital Foundation Emergency Department and Level 1 Trauma Center Campaign	\$500,000	Wesley Community Center Inc Golden Gate Youth Services	\$15,000
Dysart Community Center Teen Arts in Action Program	\$7,500	Phoenix Indian Center Forward Promise	\$10,000	West Valley Arts Council Arts Education Partnerships	\$5,000
Educare Arizona Extended Day Program	\$15,000	Phoenix Theatre Inc Community Impact	\$5,000		
		Playworks Phoenix Playworks Arizona	\$50,000		
		Power Paws Assistance Dogs Inc Reading is Fun	\$28,000		