

MAKING A DIFFERENCE
IN CHARLOTTE
ONE CAUSE
AT A TIME



February 13, 2017

Dodgeball Tournament Registration Begins Today, February 13

- **Help Us Hit Our Million Dollar Milestone**
- **New This Year - Trivia Night at NoDa's Heist Brewery March 23 to Kick Off the Event** (see below)



Put your teams together and sign up today for the Sixth Annual Dodgeball Tournament, to be held Friday, March 24! Registration begins February 13, and runs through Friday, March 17.

What's really exciting about this year's event is that we have the chance to hit our Million Dollar Milestone of Giving! Community Matters has contributed \$925,000 to our charity partners over the past five years! So we're almost to the \$1,000,000 mark. Let's make that happen at the Dodgeball Tournament and our new Trivia Night!

We need to get the entire insurance community behind this event to reach our milestone...either as players, volunteers or sponsors/donors. Our fundraising goal is net \$75,000. That may seem

like a stretch, but knowing our industry and its commitment to making a difference in Charlotte, we believe we can hit this...WITH YOUR HELP.

Following are the details about the tournament.

WHEN

Friday, March 24, 11am to 3pm

WHERE

Sports Connection, 10930 Granite Street, Charlotte 28273

WHY

To support Community Matters' fundraising efforts for Charlotte Rescue Mission while having some fun with colleagues across the industry

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE

Teams of 8 from local insurance firms and companies...or just groups of friends in the industry. If you don't have a team, sign up as an individual and we'll put you on a team based on your level of play. Must be 18-years-old to play. Entry fee per registered player is \$50.

WHEN DOES REGISTRATION CLOSE

Friday, March 17 (or whenever we hit the maximum number of 42 teams)

HOW ARE FUNDS RAISED

Each team is being asked to raise at least \$2,000...**and hopefully much more!**

Fundraising is important -- not only does it increase our contributions to our charity partners, but it also figures into tournament play. **All tournament play tie-breakers and wild card selections go to those teams that have raised the most money.**

In addition to prizes for tournament play, the team raising the most money gets a day on Lake Norman with their spouse/significant other/guest, courtesy of Dan Pliszka.

WHAT ARE THE LEVELS OF PLAY

Like last year, there will be two levels -- competitive and recreational

ARE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Absolutely, just complete the volunteer form, attached with this newsletter and also available through the dodgeball website, and send it to SMATRE@travelers.com <mailto:MLHUDSON@travelers.com>.



CM Volunteer Form.2017.docx

ARE SPONSORS NEEDED

Absolutely. For information, contact Angela Matherly at acmatherly@gmail.com.

HOW DO I REGISTER

Through our website at <http://dodgeball.kintera.org> beginning February 13.

Space is limited to 42 teams so register as soon as you can. Event T-shirts are also available for \$12 each -- make sure you order one when signing up.

New This Year: First Annual Community Matters Team

Trivia Night!

To get everyone pumped for the tournament, we're launching our First Annual Community Matters Team Trivia Night on Thursday, March 23 -- the night before dodgeball. Taking place at Heist Brewery in NoDa, this awesome evening not only will be a blast, but also will provide another step on our journey to \$1,000,000!

WHEN

Thursday, March 23, 5:30 to 8:30pm

WHERE

Heist Brewery's brand new private event space at 2909 North Davidson Street, Charlotte, NC 28205

REGISTRATION DETAILS

\$40 per person or \$300 for a team package (up to 8 players). Price includes entry for trivia (great prizes!), food and drinks

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!

You will be highlighted at the event and in all communications related to the Trivia Night and Dodgeball.

Additional registration and sponsorship details coming soon.



Heist Brewery in NoDa