



### **CORE Mission and Vision**

#### Mission:

To provide financial relief to food and beverage service employees with children when navigating a qualifying circumstance.

#### Vision:

To be the organization food and beverage employees with children turn to in their time of greatest need.

**CORE** steps in to help bridge the gap for restaurant and beverage employees facing these difficult obstacles, providing peace of mind and helping them breathe a little easier.



Less than 2% of non-profits have earned



# 2023 FACTS:

- Granted to employees with children in all 50 states, D.C. and Puerto Rico
- 56% of grantees are persons of color
- 9% grantees speak primarily Spanish
- 3 out of 4 grantees are women
- 77% are single parents: 73% single moms, 4% single dads
- 31% have a high school education and 12% have less than a high school diploma
- The average grant = \$1,500
- CORE may cover rent/mortgage, utilities, childcare, prescriptions, medical supplies and more
- Employees can apply online or can be referred at www.COREgives.org



# Three Tiers of CORE qualifying criteria:

All CORE applicants must meet all 3 tiers for consideration of grant approval

# TIER 1: Legally Dependent Child

All CORE families
must have a
minimum of one
qualifying
dependent child
living in their home.

# TIER 2: Food & Beverage Service Employee

All CORE families must have at least one parent/legal guardian working in a food & beverage service operation

#### **TIER 3: CORE Qualifying Circumstance**

Medical illness or diagnosis of an employee, spouse, or child

Medical documents will be required

Death of the employee, spouse or child

Injury of the employee (that would keep them from working) or their child

Loss of home due to natural disaster (i.e. tornado, hurricane, flood, fire, earthquake)

**Documented Domestic Abuse** 



55% of the current restaurant industry workforce have legally dependent children



- Each grant is unique and based on need.
- Dollars granted range from \$500 \$4,000.
- The CORE grant application is in English and Spanish
- Employees that may qualify for a CORE Grant may apply online: <u>www.COREgives.org</u>

**Key Program Facts** Year to Date – Novemberber 24, 2023

\$565,516

**TOTAL AMOUNT GRANTED** 



**Grants Awarded** 



800 Children Supported



Months of Housing Funded



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\$92,266 Awarded for Groceries, Utilities, etc.



# WHERE SOME EMPLOYEES WORKED THAT CORE HELPED THIS YEAR















































































### A Reason CORE Exists

# Meredith – Bartender in SC explains:

John is 17 months old. He was born with a condition called Fibular Hemimelia. He is completely missing his fibula in his right leg. There are only two treatments for FH. A series of Limb Lengthening procedures that would take place over the course of his childhood until he reaches full maturity (roughly 18 years old) or amputation. John was born with the rarest type of FH. 1 in 100,000 have FH like Johns. The family explored both options and decided on amputation.

We are glad to report that after surgery, John is doing well.



"Because of CORE we are able to focus on what is important, family, without so much financial stress."







# Partnership Value

# Partnering with CORE drives significant value to your brand, with potential benefits such as:

- Alignment with the leading national organization supporting families of foodservice, beverage and hospitality service employees across the nation
- Visibility with food and beverage service employees and industry leaders through email, newsletter and social media integration, conferences and events
- Opportunity to share storytelling with company's stakeholders around examples of families impacted by partnership
- Potential for strong earned media coverage around partner's support of industry families
- Platform for customized cause marketing opportunities in direct support of food and beverage service employees
- A new network of other CORE partners to work with





Alliance Capital Management Anheuser-Busch **Barefoot Wines** Branko E&J Gallo Bacardi Boston Beer Co. Breakthru Beverage Co. Brown-Forman Corporation Calagaz Printing Campari **Delicato Family Wines** Fat Brands Foundation Larry Feldman, **Exceptional Foods** HEI Hotels

Hershey Happy Joe's Pizza **HMS Host Inspire Brands Foundation** IMI Agency Island Oasis J Lohr Leahy IFP Kemo Sabe Kerry Group Mark Anthony Brands MarketTeam Inc. Mellow Mushroom Monin Gourmet Syrups Nestle North America Old Spaghetti Factory Out West Restaurant Group Pepsi Co.

Proximo Questex: Bar & Restaurant Expo and VIBE Red Bull Rodney Strong Vineyards Samuel's Seafood **Smokey Bones Restaurants** Ste. Michelle Wine Estates Shawarma Press Taco Bell, Fdtn. Taco John's Tanteo Spirits Tijuana Flatts, Just in Queso Fdtn. Ted's Montana Grill The Cheesecake Factory The Flavor Experience The Tuttleman Foundation Tito's Handmade Vodka Toast.org

# **Partnership Levels**

- Benefits are provided to CORE Partners at one of these levels for year-round activation
  - When you make an up-front financial commitment
  - When you sign an agreement, then reach a partnership level
- Partner web resource portal filled with assets, content, images and more to provide support
- Inclusion in the national Thank you ad \$25K level and above

Diamond **\$200,000** 

Platinum **\$100,000** 

Gold **\$50,000** 

Silver **\$25,000** 

Serving Up Hope: \$15,000

Bronze **\$10,000** 



### Donations can add up to meet a Corporate Partnership Level



To reach a CORE corporate partnership level, donations From various activations can add up:

#### Example:

Budgetary donation	\$25K
Round up promotion/ Bounce back offer:	\$40K
Product Promotion	\$15K
Add a side of hope guest donations	\$5 K
Employee Donations	\$ 2.5 K
Employee Donation Match:	\$ 2.5 K
Social media promotion:	\$10 K

#### **Platinum level partner**

\$100K

\$25K Silver level benefits place your brand in the 2023 national Thank You ads: NRN, Flavor, Cheer's, In the Mix and maybe more Value - Greater than \$25K



#### **THANK YOU 2023 CORPORATE PARTNERS!**







































CORE: Children of Restaurant Employees is grateful for the partners that donated \$25,000 or more in 2023.

CORE is a national 501c3 and industry-focused cause that provides financial assistance to food and beverage service employees with children impacted by a life-altering health crisis or natural disaster. When life doesn't goes as planned, CORE is honored to provide a hand-up to qualifying restaurant families, thanks in-part to our Corporate Partners. Want to see your brand showcased as a dedicated supporter of the industry?

Scan the QR code to get started!





Nation's Restaurant NewsPrint Circulation 100KValue: \$12,000Flavor & The MenuPrint Circulation 37KValue: \$8,385In the Mix MagazineDigital Circulation 15K+Value: \$3,600Plate MagazinePrint Circulation 42KValue: \$9,340IMI Newsletter:Digital Circulation 13KValue: \$2,400

**TOTAL VALUE: \$33,000** 

**TOTAL CIRCULATION: 207,000** 



## 2023-2024 CORE Calendar

Exposure of over 17,800 people

Jan 29-Feb 1: Wine & Spirits Wholesalers Association (WSWA)

Jan 30 - Feb 1: Black Box Intelligence Best Practices

Conference

Feb/March: National Thank you ads

Feb 26-28 VIBE: CORE is the charity of choice

Mar 3-5 Chain Operators Exchange (COEX) not attending

Mar 2-5: CHART Conference, not attending

March 24-26: Restaurant Franchising & Innovation Summit

Mar 18-20: Bar & Restaurant Expo:

**CORE** is a featured charity

**April: CORE Inspiring Hope campaign** 

April 8-11: Tavern League of Wisconsin

April 14-17: Restaurant Leadership Conference: CORE is the

featured charity

**May 15-17: Marketing Executive Group (MEG)** 

**May TBD: CORE Board Meeting** 

May 18-21: National Restaurant Show

June 14-16: Aspen Food & Wine:

2 Fundraisers: Brunch and Dance Party

July TBD: Global Foodservice Hospitality Exchange:

July TBD: Tales of the Cocktail

July TBD: Aug 1: CHART

Week of Aug TBD: CORE Days of Service

**Aug TBD: FRLA Marketing & Operation Summit** 

Aug 18-20: Flavor Experience, CORE is featured charity

Sept 15-18: FSTEC, Winsight Media

Oct 2-4: Create Conference (NRN)

Oct 16-18: Fast Casual Exec Summit, TBD

Nov 2-3: CORE Board Meeting

**Nov 6-8: IFMA Presidents Conference** 

**Nov 13-15:** Restaurant Finance Development Conference, TBD

**Nov 13-15: Council of State Restaurant Associations (CSRA)** 

**November: Serving Up Hope Campaign** 

**November 27: Giving Tuesday** 

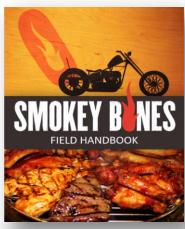
**December: Hope for the Holidays End of Year Giving** 



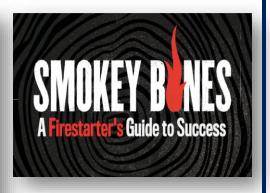


# CASE STUDY SMOKEY BONES: CORE AS A BENEFIT AND INDUSTRY FOCUSED CAUSE

Hardwire into Benefits Offerings & New Hire Orientation Building Internal Community & Engagement







#### **People Results**

- Great Place To Work Certified
- Increased frontline staffing vs. pre-pandemic
- Reduced turnover
- Increased engagement
- Double digit sentiment increase on benefits

# Ongoing Communication & Advocacy



#### **Engage, Participate & Contribute**

#### Year-Round beverage promotions to benefit CORE

- Tito's Vodka Strawberry Lemonade promotion Smokey Bones will donate \$1 to CORE which provides financial relief to restaurant families. The most successful beverage promotion to date and #1 selling beverage
- Cocktails change with each menu change
- -Quarterly donation ~ \$14k
- Future plans include round up promotions & employee payroll contribution





# OPERATOR CASE STUDY: PARTNER WITH SUPPLIER: PRODUCT PROMOTION

#### **Bar Louie**

- -Cocktails for a cause, April 6 June 30, partner with beverage supplier
- -Wildberry Margarita promotion.
  - Bar Louie donates \$1 for each beverage sold
- Raises funds with additional guest check customer donations
- -Customer contest #donthestache to support sales/donations with a South Beach Wine & Food Festival prize package courtesy of Don Julio tequila to drive social media engagement
- -Partnership commitment \$50K
- -Results: Promotion exceeded projections and raised: \$122,650









# CASE STUDY: SUPPLIER & OPERATOR COLLABORATION: BEVERAGE PROMOTIONS

### **Copper Cane Wine & Provisions Pour for CORE:**

- Operator and beverage supplier collaboration for a special feature, tasting event, beverage promotion, or wine dinner
- 2nd Annual POUR FOR CORE Program September/October 2021
- Results: 300 On Prem Feature CASES @ \$10/Case
- Donation = \$3000 DONATION
- Worked through Empire Distributors









### SUPPLIER FUNDRAISING EXAMPLES



#### Activation:

- Donate \$50 per case Tanteo Tequila purchased from Sept 1-30
- \$50K commitment
- Goal: \$100K



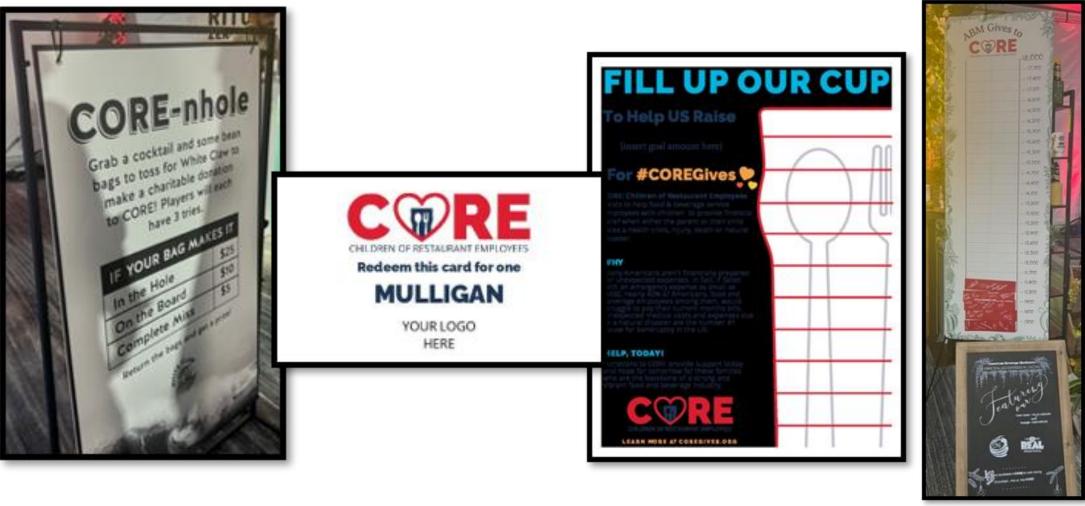
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#### Activation:

- Toast Tinsel Tag Sale:
  - Employee SWAG and equipment sale
  - Toast.org matched dollars raised
- Results:
  - Raised \$23,881
  - Donated an additional \$1,119 to reach the Silver Partnership level
- Conference fundraising:
  - NRA Show: Donated \$10 per badge swipe
  - Raised @ \$25,000



# Conference and Event Fundraising





# **Custom Giving Campaign**

A custom donation page can be created for partners to raise funds through your network.

(i.e.: social media, employee giving campaigns, anytime of year, during a CORE campaign or End of Year Giving.)

Companies receive credit to reach a partner level through custom page donations.



#### Food and Beverage Service Employees facing a crisis need your help!

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# EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT CORE VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



### **Ambassador Program**

Everyone can sign up to serve as a CORE Ambassador. A CORE Ambassador utilizes social and professional networks to share CORE's mission.

#### **CORE Ambassadors will be invited to:**

- Follow CORE on social media and share CORE's mission.
- Help CORE connect with potential sponsors/partners from their network
- Distribute CORE materials: one pagers and back of house posters
- Invite others to become an Ambassador
- Serve as a CORE advocate at industry events, conferences and volunteer

#### Refer qualified families to CORE

#### Sign up to be an Ambassador:

Volunteer – <u>www.CoreGives.org/volunteer</u>

# Employee Volunteer Opportunity



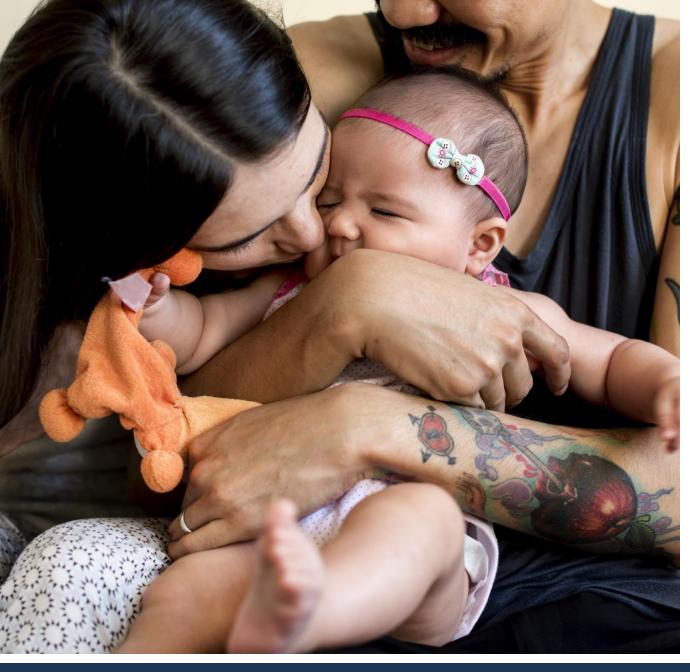
### Week of August 6: CORE National Day(s) of Service:

BOH poster distribution

This is a great employee volunteer opportunity to help share information about CORE to local operators in your community and inspire an industry to distribute CORE back of the house posters to F&B operations across the country.

- Print or order CORE BOH posters to distribute
  - Download and print from the CORE Resource Center:
    - https://coregives.org/resource-center/
  - Print and review the BOH Distribution guide with your team members
  - Order durable posters through: <u>www.Calagazordering.com</u>
  - Post your CORE Day of Service on social and tag CORE
  - #RestaurantName #COREgives #StrongerTogether





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