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2021 California Nonprofit of the Year March 20, 2023

Dear Friend,

Have you heard the good news? St. Mary's Center is celebrating **50 years of community service** this year! St. Mary's Center is a community of hope, healing and justice dedicated to improving the well-being of Seniors and Preschool Families in West Oakland by meeting basic needs for food, housing, and social connection. We amplify the voices of those most impacted by hunger, homelessness, and inequity to create a more just and caring society.

We are seeking donations for a Silent & Live Auction during our Golden Jubilee Gala on June 10, 2023. This is a great opportunity to reach out to friends, family, and colleagues who offer unique services, experiences, or skills such as:

- Gift certificates for restaurants or other culinary experiences
- Concert, museum, or special event tickets
- Yardwork, massage, music lessons, graphic design, & more

Our Gala is our primary special event to help fund St. Mary's Center programs. I hope you will consider donating to make this year's Auction one to remember!

The deadline for Auction Commitments is April 28th. Enclosed please find a response form to return to our Development Team. St. Mary's Center is a 501c3, Tax I.D. #68-0172229. Donations are tax-deductible to the extent of the law.

Please contact our Development Team at <a href="mailto:development@stmaryscenter.org">development@stmaryscenter.org</a> with any questions. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Warmly,

Sharon Cornu, MSHS Executive Director

P.S. Check our website for ongoing Gala updates: www.stmaryscenter.org.