



TAKE1DOWN

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Dear Friends of the T1D community,

The last two years have been unbelievably difficult for our businesses and our country. I hope this letter finds you and your families happy and healthy. We are ready to gear up again for our **TAKE1DOWN** Gala. We have held several small fundraisers since Covid-19, but this will be our first Gala since 2020. It will be held on **Saturday, June 17, 2023**, at the Casino at Lakemont Park.

We are asking for your support to help us raise funds for **cure-based research** for type 1 diabetes (T1D) – our foundation's primary goal. We are also striving to raise awareness and create an outreach community for those caring for loved ones with type 1 diabetes. Type 1 diabetes is an auto-immune disease where the body destroys insulin producing cells, eventually killing the pancreas, so the person must rely on artificial insulin to live. There is no cure. Without insulin, T1D is deadly.

Our 2023 **TAKE1DOWN** Gala will include appetizers, dinner, cash bar, a silent auction, basket raffles, 50/50 and much more. We are very fortunate to have Surgeon-in-Chief Emeritus and lead researcher, George Gittes, MD, from Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh Foundation as our guest speaker. He promises he has exciting news to share regarding type 1 diabetes cure-based research! We will also have live entertainment to set the mood for the evening.

Enclosed you will find our sponsorship and donation forms. We appreciate your consideration for one of the sponsorship levels or purchasing a table. Additionally, goods and/or services donated for the basket raffle or silent auction are also graciously appreciated.

The money raised at the 2023 Gala will be designated for type 1 diabetes cure-based research programs. Over the last six years, we have donated over \$144,000.00, sponsored a T1D child to go to diabetes camp and awarded (5) college scholarships. Thank you to all who helped us achieve such amazing success!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

With sincere thanks,

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