



35TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

DINNER, ROCHESTER POP'S ORCHESTRA CONCERT,
DANCING & LIVE/SILENT AUCTION

Saturday, September 23, 2023

Rochester International Event Center, Rochester, MN

*Elder Network, a locally-based non-profit organization, has been serving seniors and their families in **Olmsted, Winona, Dodge, and Wabasha counties** for 35 years. This year is our tenth Gala!*

Each year, we provide more than 22,000 hours of direct service to 2,000 participants to help them maintain their health and independence, and enjoy their aging journey.

Our services include: Senior Advocate, Companions, Technology Assistance Program, Transportation, Caregiver Support, Respite Care, Education, Support Groups, Friendly Visitor, and PEARLs.



Please consider supporting our event by donating a live auction item, gift basket, stand-alone item or gift certificate for our live/silent auction. If you wish to sponsor a basket, a gift of \$100 will be used to create a themed basket for you in the silent auction.

Your gift will be recognized in our auction program and selected items will receive podium recognition, as well.

Elder Network is a 501(c)(3) entity. Therefore, your prize donation is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

*We will gladly pick up your donation, or it can be mailed to the address below. In order for your donation to be printed in our program, we must receive confirmation by **July 28th, 2023***



For more information:

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**To make the silent auction a SUCCESS,
we need YOUR help gathering donations from the community.**

Here are some easy ways you can help:

Do you run your own business? Do your neighbors have their own businesses? Donating to the auction is a great way to get your name/product/service out to the community. Ideas include personal trainers, photographers, personal chefs, landscape design, interior decorators, professional organizers, artists, private lessons (music, dancing, fitness), etc.

Do you have a favorite local business that you want to help promote? Next time you are there, just ask if they would like to donate. It's a great way for them to advertise and support their community. Let them know we can send them a donation receipt, if they request. Ideas include cleaning, workout programs, salons/spas, restaurants, plays/theatres/concerts, wineries, dog walkers/pet sitting, etc.

Have season tickets to a sports event and you don't plan to use them all? Why let your seats go empty for a game? Donating tickets is a great way to help Elder Network and get fans to the game to cheer on your team!

Have a vacation home/timeshare you won't be using? A getaway is just what people need.

Do you knit, sew, crochet or craft? Handmade items are always a hit. Jewelry, scarves/hats/mittens, towels/washcloths, jelly/jam, greeting cards, etc. are all great auction items.

Get creative and put together a themed basket with your family, friends or co-workers. Set out a collection box at work to gather money for items. Ideas include: *Movie Night, Game Night, The Man Cave, Day at the Beach, Grill Master, "Survival Kits," Holidays, Lawn & Garden, Wine & Dine, etc.* The possibilities are endless!

Donations of themed baskets, stand-alone items, and gift cards are also appreciated.

Want to donate but don't have time? Sponsor a basket with a \$100 gift, and our auction team will put together a themed basket on your behalf.

Live Auction Items? If you are considering a donation valued at over \$500, consider discussing your donation with our Development Manager, Becca, to see if it may better fit our live auction. 507-285-5272.

Elder Network's EIN: 41-1704390. Thanks in advance for your help and support!

Questions? Contact:



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Basket/Item Donation Form

Turn your basket/item in with this form no later than **July 28th, 2023**

Name your basket/item: _____

Estimated value: _____

Donated by: _____

Contents: Please include necessary details (clothing sizes, gift card amounts, etc.)

Contact information: Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

_____ No, I do not need a receipt for tax purposes.

_____ Yes, I would like a receipt for tax purposes.

We will send you a receipt in the mail.

For Office Use Only:

Basket/Item # _____

Bid Sheet _____

Donation receipt _____

Thank-you card _____