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The 2020 Gala Adventure By Francie Rakiec

Whew, the 2020 gala is officially over for this year! What a whirlwind adventure it has been. We are truly thankful to everyone who participated in our online event. We could not continue to rescue and care for these wonderful Golden Retrievers without your continued support. Going into this year's gala we had no idea what to expect. We had never done an online event like this before and with COVID we just weren't sure what would happen. Despite all of the obstacles, we did have a record number of sponsorships. In year's past we have had numerous small businesses step up, but this year we had a record number of individuals stepping up as well as a few small businesses. We hit a record amount of sponsorships with \$73,000. That alone brought us almost halfway to our goal of raising \$150,000 for this year's gala.

I am very happy to report that through our silent auction and our fund-a-need categories we were able to raise \$105,645. That brings us to a grand total of \$178,645 for our 10th annual gala, which means we netted around \$171,000. That is a record-breaking number and truly unbelievable! Again, from the bottom of our paws, we would like to say thank you so much for your support. GRRR people are the GRRReatest!



A big hello to all of our faithful volunteers. 2020 has been an interesting year to say the least, but the good news is that COVID numbers for Colorado are coming down, so we are hoping to be able to “re-open” our volunteering opportunities soon. Unfortunately, I don’t have a specific date, but know we are just as anxious to have you all back as you are to come back. I want to say thank you for your patience through all of this. I appreciate it more than you know. Until we can all be together again, stay healthy and safe.

Francie Rakiec
Executive Director

*Do your little bit of good
where you are;
it’s those little bits of good
put together that
overwhelm the world.*

— Desmond Tutu



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