



*Holding you in our hearts  
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 together this year.*



December 11, 2020



Dear Friends and Donors of Youth For Tomorrow,

As we end this unprecedented year, we remain grateful for the Lord's pervasive and faithful grace and protection of our mission and the children we serve. And we are ever thankful for the private philanthropy that has allowed us to serve thousands of homeless, lost and traumatically abused teenagers for over 33 years. Private donors like you have been our lifeline.

Today we are challenged as never before.

**The *unprecedented* challenge we face as a result of the coronavirus pandemic has presented YFT to take an unprecedented action: Regretfully, we must cancel the HEART 2 HEART GALA that had been planned for February 13, 2020.** Cancelling the Heart 2 Heart was a very difficult decision. Nevertheless, we did so given the current conditions and out of an abundance of caution for the health and safety of our leaders, volunteers, donors and friends. We are following the guidelines expressed by the Governor of Virginia, the Center for Disease Control and local officials.

As you can understand, our chief priority and responsibility is to keep our campus secure from the ravages of the virus threatening our children in residence and the 200 professional and devoted staff members who provide around-the-clock parenting, clinical and educational services to ensure all their needs are met.

New challenges bring new opportunities to harness the energy and faithful commitment of our donors while simultaneously achieving our vital fundraising goals.

**With this letter, we are calling upon each of you to be a part of this "clarion call" to help YFT meet the budgetary requirements previously raised by the Heart 2 Heart, for which we have already raised over \$165,000. Through this SPECIAL APPEAL we are boldly asking for your help to raise our typical proceeds for the Gala – \$750,000.**

Congress recently passed the **CARES Act**, which allows charitable cash contributions made through December 31, 2020, to be deducted at 100%, temporarily suspending the 60% limitation on Adjusted Gross Income for 2020. Check with your Tax Advisor, as these changes may be highly beneficial to you while also supporting Youth For Tomorrow.

As is consistent with our history, when there are formidable challenges before us, our philanthropic leaders, step forward – and are doing so again. We are truly grateful for your generous support of our mission, and especially for rising to the occasion now to help us keep the children in our care safe and protected.

And, thank you for opening your hearts and minds to new ways of achieving our goals during these unusual times. Youth For Tomorrow is able to keep the lights on, our children safe and fed, and our mission sustained because of friends like you. God's blessings to you.

May He continue to keep you – and your family – safe in the Palm of His hand.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary Jones", written in a cursive style.

Gary L. Jones, Ph.D.

CEO

Youth For Tomorrow



# Reply Form



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Name\* \_\_\_\_\_ Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address\* \_\_\_\_\_

City\* \_\_\_\_\_ State\* \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code\* \_\_\_\_\_

Phone\* \_\_\_\_\_ Email\* \_\_\_\_\_

Signature\* \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ DIAMOND SPONSOR \$50,000
- \_\_\_\_\_ GOLD SPONSOR \$10,000
- \_\_\_\_\_ PLATINUM SPONSOR \$25,000
- \_\_\_\_\_ SILVER SPONSOR \$5,000

I wish to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ raffle tickets (\$100 ea.) at \$\_\_\_\_\_.

*The Sweetheart Benefit Raffle drawing will still take place on Saturday, February 13th which will be broadcasted live. Visit [YouthForTomorrow.org](http://YouthForTomorrow.org) for additional information.*

\_\_\_\_\_ Please send an invoice in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the indicated level above.

\_\_\_\_\_ Find enclosed my check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the indicated level above.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please charge my credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the indicated level above.

Please charge the above amount to: Visa \_\_\_\_\_ MasterCard \_\_\_\_\_ AmEx \_\_\_\_\_

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ CVV # \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Address (if different than above) \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to "Youth For Tomorrow"**

Mail to: Youth For Tomorrow, 11835 Hazel Circle Drive, Bristow, VA 20136 or return to [LJones@yftva.com](mailto:LJones@yftva.com) or fax 703/361-4335. For additional information, please call Love Jones, Vice President, Development and Community Relations, at (703) 396-8415.

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19TH ANNUAL

# Sweetheart Benefit Raffle

Raffle tickets are \$100 each, and all donations go directly to Youth For Tomorrow. Take a chance, and help give youth the encouragement and support to turn their lives around! The Sweetheart Benefit Raffle drawing will still take place on Saturday, February 13th which will be broadcasted live. Visit [YouthForTomorrow.org](http://YouthForTomorrow.org) for additional information.

**GRAND PRIZE**  
**2021 TOYOTA TUNDRA OR \$35,000 CASH!**  
Courtesy of Miller Toyota!



**2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE**  
**\$10,000 CASH**

**3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE**  
**\$5,000 CASH**

**4<sup>TH</sup> PRIZE**  
**FLOWERS FOR A YEAR**

**5<sup>TH</sup> PRIZE**  
**VISA \$500 GIFT CARD**

**6<sup>TH</sup> PRIZE**  
**AMAZON \$500 GIFT CARD**

**7<sup>TH</sup> PRIZE**  
**COSTCO \$400 GIFT CARD**

**8<sup>TH</sup> PRIZE**  
**CABELA'S \$250 GIFT CARD**

**9<sup>TH</sup> PRIZE**  
**GREAT AMERICAN RESTAURANTS \$200 GIFT CARD**

**10<sup>TH</sup>-100<sup>TH</sup> PRIZES**  
**GREAT AMERICAN RESTAURANTS \$50 GIFT CARD**

With 100 prizes to be awarded you have a good chance to win!!  
Only 3,500 tickets will be available.