

Defiance Area Foundation Gala FAQs

1. What is the purpose for the DAF to hold this event?

• The Gala is more than just a fundraiser—it is the beginning of our journey to grow and expand the impact of the Foundation. Our goal is to expand our reach within the Defiance County community and strengthen our brand. By uniting community leaders, philanthropists, and supporters, we want to elevate awareness of our mission and amplify our impact. The funds raised will support our ongoing efforts and open new opportunities for engagement, ensuring we continue to make a meaningful difference. Your participation helps us build a stronger, more connected community.

2. Why a gala?

• DAF wanted to host an event like none other in Defiance County. This high-end evening will be one to remember and something our community members will know us for in the years to come.

3. What is the dress code?

- We ask that you dress in formal attire for this high-class event. No you don't need to rent a tux, if you don't want to. Full length gowns are highly recommended. We want you to feel like you are dressed in your best!
- 4. Will there be other donation opportunities at the event?
 - There will be a silent auction inside the event.
- 5. How can I be a part of this next year?
 - If you would like to be a sponsor for our event next year, please email Chris at <u>Chris@defianceareafoundation.org</u>.
 - Tickets for next years event will not be for sale until two months prior to the event taking place.

6. As a sponsor, how can I help?

- Share our social media posts on your page.
- Promote our event to your donors and ask for support through a ticket sale.
- Share photos of the event after the event is wrapped up.
- 7. Who is responsible for the decisions and planning of this event?
 - We have a Gala committee that is responsible for the decisions and planning of the Gala. This committee is made up of DAF trustees and members.

8. Can I sponsor a table at the event?

- Yes. If you would like to sit with a specific group of individuals at the event, we ask that you purchase a full table and then provide us with the names of those attending.
- Please do not have all guests purchase tickets separately and then ask us to piece together tables.
- If you are a sponsor, we will reach out prior to the event to confirm who is sitting at your table location. **Included only in specific sponsorship opportunities*

9. Where can I send my feedback/questions?

- If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us:
 - Chris Yoder, Executive Director, <u>chris@defianceareafoundation.org</u>
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