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Dear Friends of UCP Heartland,

Happy New Year and cheers to a healthy, safe, and prosperous 2024. I wish you a heartfelt farewell to 2023 and am hopeful and confident the new year ahead of us will come with renewed energy and focus as we go through this journey together. Let's forge ahead with resilience, compassion, and a shared commitment to making the coming year at UCP Heartland even more extraordinary. We are gearing up for the 2024 Gala, UCP Heartland's largest event, where we celebrate, invest in people's lives, and honor the Heart of our Community. We are seeing a lot of excitement and momentum, and I am confident this will be an event you don't want to miss. So, mark your calendars, invite your friends and family, and most importantly click the link below to get more detailed information on tickets and sponsorships!

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We are grateful for our event Co-Chairs, Jen Bierling and Jeff Eichholz. They did such a fantastic job last year, it was important to them and us to capitalize on the success and lead the way again this year, celebrating 70 Years of Service. Thank you, Jen and Jeff, for your incredible service and support.



This year's honoree, Bill Siedhoff, is well known in the St. Louis area for his incredible dedication of service to this community and more importantly his support in helping people with differing abilities live meaningful lives. He is most deserving of this recognition and I hope you can join us in giving him his well-deserved accolades.



The goal this year is to raise \$360k, but I personally believe we can have an extraordinarily special year and push that number to \$400k+. Sponsors and attendees of the event are the keys to making this evening special. Our goal is to secure \$155k in sponsorships and have 300 people attend. We have time, but 6 weeks will go fast so I ask that you reach out and commit to your participation as soon as you can. UCP Heartland has and continues to be blessed with incredible support and most importantly, people that are committed to people with differing abilities in our communities. Our 70-year journey has included thousands of people like yourself, who have locked arms and been dedicated to the belief that every individual, regardless of their situation, deserves an opportunity to thrive. Over the past year, we are proud to have had the opportunity to reach over 1,100 individuals and families with this focus in mind. UCP Heartland's Gala is an important way we can connect with the community and raise necessary funds to continue to create positive and lasting impact on people's lives. I hope you join us!

As always, I want to personally thank you for your continued interest in UCP Heartland, walking alongside us on this journey, and most importantly believing in people with intellectual and developmental disabilities living in our communities. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or would like to learn more about our mission.

Sincerely,

Clint Bolser