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Children's Fund event celebrates 20 years of service

Children's Fund invites the Inland Empire to help celebrate its 20th anniversary on October 14 with an artistic evening of fun and imagination.

Established in 1986 by the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors, Children's Fund has raised approximately \$16 million for specific projects aimed at helping the more than 60,000 Inland Empire children who are at risk of being abused, neglected, or otherwise victimized.

One of Children's Fund's most notable accomplishments was the establishment of the Children's Fund Assessment Center in San Bernardino, which offers a safe environment for children who have been the victims of abuse to be evaluated and treated.

Children's Fund will celebrate its 20th anniversary at 6 p.m. on Saturday, October 14 at the new Victoria Gardens Cultural Center in Rancho Cucamonga with a unique event featuring a variety of once-in-a-lifetime attractions.

The evening will feature a performance by il CiRCo, an internationally acclaimed cirque troupe featuring some of the world's most talented acrobats and dancers choreographed into a mesmerizing production with gorgeous costumes and an original music score.

The guests of Children's Fund will also be treated to Art Explosion, an astonishing live painting performance in which artist Michael Ostaski will take a huge blank canvas and create a breathtaking completed portrait in 6 to 8 minutes.

Gourmet cuisine and other attractions will also be in store for those in attendance.

Individual tickets for the event are \$150, and sponsorship opportunities are available from \$500 to \$20,000. Information is available by calling Children's Fund at (909) 387-4949.