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Cuisine for a Cause raises more than \$110,000

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NAPERVILLE CARES

The seventh annual Cuisine for a Cause raised more than \$110,000 to benefit needy families in Naperville.

The event, in partnership with Naperville Community Acting in Response to Economic Stress and My Chef Catering, took place April 24 at Tellabs Atrium in Naperville. It showcased the signature dishes from 25 Naperville restaurants and four wine and beer merchants.

All proceeds from Cuisine for a Cause benefited Naperville CARES, a volunteer-

driven organization that aids Naperville families experiencing economic crisis.

"It is especially nice to see the Naperville community generously reaching out this year, and recognizing that although this year has been tough for everyone, it has been even tougher for those who started out with less," said Naperville CARES executive director Janet Derrick. "In this difficult economic climate, our requests have risen, and thanks to the funds raised at Cuisine, we will be able to assist more Naperville families in need."

Karen Garlough, owner of My Chef Catering, a CARES board member and chair-

woman of Cuisine for a Cause, said she is also happy with the success of the event.

"It is a perfect opportunity for the people and restaurants of Naperville to come out and have a good time and support their community," she said. "The work Naperville CARES does is so important, especially in these challenging times. The members of the Cuisine steering committee, who work nine months on the event, are dedicated to the success of the fundraiser."

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