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Community Cup Hockey Benefit to Take Place Thanksgiving Weekend

The sixth annual tournament will raise funds for healthcare scholarships and professional development and the Glacier Ice Rink Bleacher project

Missoula, MT- The Foundation for Community Health, a local philanthropic nonprofit organization, has once again partnered with Dr. Tim and Tonda Richards and Glacier Ice Rink for the Community Cup Hockey Benefit. The Hockey Benefit will take place at Glacier Ice Rink November 25 through 27 and includes team competition beginning at 7:15PM Friday, November 25 and a lively Chuck-a-Puck contest at 7PM Saturday, November 26. Teams are recruited with the Ty Robinson Rules, which bring together women and men across an array of medical and community professions, ages, and playing expertise. The competition schedule is posted at glaciericerink.com under Schedule, Adult Community Cup. The community is welcome to attend the games and purchase puck shots for the Chuck-a-Puck contest.

The Community Cup was created by the Richards a handful of years ago to promote health and community engagement. Tournament proceeds have benefitted pediatric and neonatal care, Safe Kids injury prevention education, and Glacier Ice Rink programs in past years. The 2016 Community Cup proceeds will provide healthcare scholarships and professional development through the Foundation in celebration of Ty Robinson, and support the Glacier Ice Rink bleacher project.

“Hockey is a great sport, and it brings together a wide variety of people from across our community. This tournament has been a fun way to support important projects and promote the sport,” notes surgeon and hockey player, Tim Richards.

Funds are raised through event sponsorships, proceeds from the Chuck-a-Puck contest and community donations. This year’s tournament will also include a pediatric patient toy drive with Missoula Volkswagen Club. Donations of unwrapped, new, safe toys for children ages 6-months through 12-years can be brought to the rink during the tournament. The toys will be provided to pediatric patients at Partnership Health Center and Community Medical Center.

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Financial donations for the Community Cup Hockey Benefit can be made on the Foundation for Community Health website at fchwmt.org or by calling 406.926.2522. All donations are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. For more information about the Community Cup Hockey Benefit, contact the Foundation at 406.926.2522. Questions about the pediatric patient toy drive can be directed to Bob Brugge, Missoula Volkswagen Club President, at 406.317.1162.

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About the Foundation for Community Health
The Foundation for Community Health (FCH), successor organization of Community Medical Center Foundation, began community-wide operations in January 2015 with a mission of providing philanthropic support for the advancement of healthy lives in western Montana through grant-making and preventative, action-based educational programs. Foundation initiatives include high school healthcare scholarships, leadership of the Safe Kids Missoula Coalition, Be Sun Smart skin cancer awareness, and a health grants program. Foundation for Community Health works in partnership with donors, community organizations and volunteers and welcomes charitable gifts, including planned giving contributions.

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