

Families who are in crisis are more likely to stay together when they have support. For the last five years, Bethany Christian Services of West Tennessee's Safe Families for Children™ (SFFC) ministry has served 46 vulnerable families by partnering with churches in the community. As a result, 67 children have been hosted, some of whom would have otherwise entered the foster care system. Because of the love, commitment, and support of SFFC host families and other volunteers, many of these families now have a dependable support system. Will you help us equip more host families to be the answer for children and parents in need by sponsoring our upcoming event?

On Saturday, April 29, 2017, Bethany's SFFC program will host its **first annual Cupcake Wars fundraiser**—a competition of local bakers competing for various awards—at Visible Music College in downtown Memphis. It will be a fun, family-friendly time to celebrate the lives that have been touched by SFFC and bring awareness to the great need for this program in our city. The event will be held in conjunction with **National Child Abuse Prevention Month**, since child abuse prevention is a key objective of SFFC. Guests will have the opportunity to give generously to help us continue serving more children and families in 2017 and years to come.

We are seeking both professional and home bakers to participate in the event. Your contribution—given in the form of time and cupcakes—will be multiplied through donations given by guests and cupcake purchases made during the event. Your involvement in the Cupcake Wars event will help to inspire more giving and extend the impact in our community. Would you please consider partnering with us and completing the enclosed competitor contract? Please return by Monday, March 27, 2017.

SFFC's heart is for families to be strengthened and given the opportunity to move from surviving to thriving. Thank you for your partnership in giving hope to vulnerable parents and children in our community!

Sincerely,

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