



Community Boating Center

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December 1, 2015

Re: **10th Annual Opening of the Bay Fundraiser – May 14, 2016**

Dear Friend of CBC,

At our core, Community Boating Center (CBC) connects Greater New Bedford's under privileged youth with mentors to enhance their lives. Our flagship program is Summer Youth Sailing, which uses boating as a tool to help instill important life lessons such as integrity, sound judgment, and teamwork. In 2015, 80% of the children attending our program were from low-income families who simply do not have the ability to pay. Supporting and sponsoring CBC's annual fundraiser, *the Opening of the Bay*, is what enables these students to participate free of charge.

All of us at CBC are determined to have our 10th annual event be the most successful one to date. To do this, we need you, our highly regarded supporters and sponsors, to join us for this premier event, which has become one of the areas most anticipated evenings. Last year, with the help of our wonderfully generous supporters and sponsors, we raised over \$70,000 to provide a safe, fun, educational, and healthy activity for the under privileged youth of Greater New Bedford. Your continued support is what will enable CBC to present these deserving kids with the opportunity to play, learn and grow on the water instead of on the streets.

Opening of the Bay is an unforgettable experience you will enjoy with valued business associates, potential customers, and friends while supporting a worthy cause that is making a significant impact on the youth in our community. Guests enjoy dinner, dancing, and an auction overlooking scenic Buzzards Bay at New Bedford's Fort Taber Park. For Platinum sponsors, CBC's Opening of the Bay Sailing Challenge is back for the second year. Along with the recognition of the Gold, Silver, and Bronze sponsorship levels with a custom 3x5' flag inside the tent, our Platinum Sponsors will be invited to participate in an afternoon of sailing just off Fort Taber Park.

Please sign up today by sending the SPONSORSHIP FORM to the Community Boating Center by email cbc@communityboating.org or fax (508) 999-3320. If you would like to donate towards our Silent Auction or Door Prize, please fill out the bottom of the form with your donated goods or services.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Thank you for your consideration,

Lauren Leduc Lemieux
Chair – Opening of the Bay Committee

Andy Herlihy
Executive Director



Thank You to our 2015 Sponsors!

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OPENING OF THE BAY 2016

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

PLATINUM

\$5,000

- Participate in **Second Annual Opening of the Bay Sailing Challenge** (Date TBD)
- Your team of 4 people will spend the first hour learning from your onboard coach, and the second hour racing against the other teams – no prior experience required!
- Have employees or friends that do not want to sail? There will be a Spectator boat with limited seating.
- Includes up to eight event tickets @ \$75 per ticket **
- Industry exclusivity (“first come, first served” basis)
- 3x5’ flag with company name and platinum level recognition for 2016
- Recognition as Platinum level Sponsor in Opening of the Bay media including website
- Provide **seven weeks** of sailing for at-risk youth (Priceless)

GOLD \$3,500 *

- Includes up to eight event tickets @ \$75 per ticket **
- Industry exclusivity (“first come, first served” basis)
- 3x5’ flag with company name and gold level recognition for 2016
- Recognition as Gold level Sponsor in Opening of the Bay media including website
- Provide **seven weeks** of sailing for at-risk youth (priceless)

SILVER \$2,000 *

- Includes up to six event tickets @ \$75 per ticket **
- 3x5’ flag with company name and silver level recognition for 2016
- Recognition as Silver level Sponsor in Opening of the Bay media including website
- Provide **four weeks** of sailing for at-risk youth (priceless)

BRONZE \$1,000 *

- Includes up to four event tickets @ \$75 per ticket **
- 3x5’ flag with company name and bronze level recognition for 2016
- Recognition as Bronze level Sponsor in Opening of the Bay media including website
- Provide **two weeks** of sailing for at-risk youth (priceless)

EVENT SPONSOR \$500 (or \$370 w/o tickets)*

- Includes up to two event tickets @ \$75 per ticket **
- \$370– no tickets– can't make it – send a kid to camp for a week
- Recognition as event Sponsor in Opening of the Bay media
- Provide **a week** of sailing to an at-risk youth from New Bedford (priceless)

* or equivalent value in goods and services deemed necessary by the Community Boating Center for the advancement of its tax-exempt purposes.

** Each ticket is deemed to have a “value” of \$75. The amount by which payment exceeds the total value of tickets may be considered a charitable contribution to the Community Boating Center, a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization.



OPENING OF THE BAY 2016

<u>Contact Information:</u> _____ Contact Person / Title _____ Company / Donor Name _____ Address _____ City, State, Zip _____ Telephone _____ Email	<u>Sponsorship Level:</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Platinum Sponsor - \$5,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Gold Sponsor - \$3,500 <input type="checkbox"/> Silver Sponsor - \$2,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Bronze Sponsor - \$1,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Event Sponsor - \$500 (\$370 w/ no tickets) <input type="checkbox"/> Silent Auction / Door Prize _____ Number of Tickets (see sponsorship levels)
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Item Donations for Silent Auction/Raffle

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
<u>ITEM RESTRICTIONS AND TERMS</u>	

In consideration of my interest in the Community Boating Center and its mission of service to the community, I/we give, grant, and convey at no charge the above item(s).

Signature of Donor _____ Date _____

All gifts are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

*A 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to teaching positive life values to youth through boating.
For your tax purposes, CBC's tax ID # is 04-3401842.*