



R.I.C.'s Market Foundation

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R.I.C.'S MARKET HOSTS A "SLICE N DICE" FUNDRAISING EVENT

Help open Charlotte's first full service nonprofit grocery store

Charlotte, NC, November 4, 2016— Roots In the Community Market Foundation (R.I.C.'s Market) will host a fundraising event on Saturday, March 4, 2017, 6 pm – 9 pm at Project 658 in Charlotte, NC. This event will allow guests to enjoy a meal while watching teams compete in a cooking challenge that will judge not only taste and nutrition but will have to be done on the budget of a local low-income family which is about \$25 a day for a family of four(4)!!

"April 29 1992, I remember giving my final presentation on the 1968 Detroit Riot and concluding with the question of if another riot could happen in America? I argued that the country had not solved the issues that led to the previous riots Our Country faced while most in my class at Boston University disagreed. I felt both sadden and vindicated when I got home and turned on the TV to broadcasts of the '92 LA riots. Fast forward to Charlotte, NC September 2016 and once again I was heartbroken and sadden to see the city I've called home for the last decade erupt in violence and civil unrest simply because we still have not addressed the same issues we have faced for decades. As Charlotte and the Nation struggle with issues of race and social justice, I cannot help but think of all of the ways that R.I.C.'s Market can begin to address some of these issues like job creation and community development. This model requires that government, healthcare, higher education, nonprofits and businesses come together to find sustainable, long term solutions that will create healthy communities using food as the gateway to begin a journey much too long delayed." – Angela Gray, R.I.C.'s Market Founder & Chairman

General admission is \$75 (early bird \$55) and VIP admission is \$100 (early bird \$75) and includes dinner and entertainment. Registration fee is \$50 for teams up to five(5) people who will compete for a chance to win bragging rights as well as cash & prizes!! Register or Purchase tickets at <https://slice-n-dice.eventbrite.com>

Come watch us determine if chefs are really the best cooks? What about firefighter, policemen or a team of frat brothers? Everyone can pull off one good dish but can teams make it through 3 rounds of fast-pace food prep without being "Sliced" from the competition!! Watch our "Celebrity Judges" determine if teams can prepare 3 meals for a family of four that is healthy & stays within the daily budget of a local low income family without compromising taste!!

Roots In the Community Market Foundation is striving to ensure that everyone has access to fresh, healthy, affordable food through funding food subsidies for healthy food, scholarships and community outreach. We acknowledge that being healthy is more than just eating right; it takes a community. R.I.C.'s seeks to be the community connector for low income areas to businesses, healthcare, higher education, government programs and other not-for profit organizations.

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