

R.I.C's Market Foundation

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R.I.C.'S MARKET IS DONATING FREE TICKETS IN HONOR OF DELORED DOCK TO ITS "SWEETEST DAY" FUNDRAISER

Experience our vision of a full service nonprofit grocery store

Charlotte, NC, October 14, 2015- FREE TICKETS!!!

In honor of Delores Dock, R.I.C.'s Market Foundation Treasurer, Supporter & Mom, we will be offering free tickets to our fundraising event this Saturday, October 17, 2015 at 3pm at The Garage @ Packard Place in Uptown Charlotte. Roots In the Community Market Foundation (R.I.C's Market) will allow guest to experience an innovative approach to solving access to fresh, affordable, healthy food to those with little or no access as well as creating healthy communities in low income areas.

"My mom, a three time cancer survivor was just recently diagnosed with Stage 4 lung cancer. Although there is currently no cure for this type of cancer, we can find a way to prevent others from suffering the pain and loss that results from food related diseases such diabetes, heart disease and cancer. In addition to donation of free tickets, any funds raised from now to the end of the year will be made in her honor (unless otherwise specified); allowing her the opportunity to continue to be a part of the vision she help set forth. Delores personally knows the challenge of having to balance paying for food vs medicine despite having obtained a college degree. As someone who has dealt with little or no access to fresh, healthy, affordable food; her insight and advice have been invaluable. For most people when you say nonprofit grocery store, they either think of a fruit & vegetable stand, maybe a low end bare bones store selling expired foods or simply don't believe that a nonprofit store could ever be sustainable. I am so excited to have the opportunity to challenge all of these preconceived notions and appreciate the support of partners like Publix[®] & FARMS." – Angela Gray, *R.I.C.'s Market Foundation & Chairman*

General admission is \$40 however **free** tickets in Delores' honor are available. This event will feature cooking demos, samples, fresh local produce, door prizes and & more! Purchase tickets at <u>http://rics-market-sweetest-day-fundraiser-tickets.eventbrite.com</u>

Can one local nonprofit grocery store solve world hunger? Probably not, but we can begin planting the seeds for change. Help us raise the capital needed to open Charlotte's 1st full service nonprofit grocery store providing 60+ jobs, afterschool programs and access to fresh healthy affordable food. General admission is \$40 (**Free Tickets available**) and features cooking demos, samples, fresh local produce, door prizes and & more! Help R.I.C.'S Market make this the best Sweetest Day ever for those without access to healthy foods!

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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