This won’t be the typical “rubber chicken dinner” fundraiser!
Why GLEANERS?

Gleaners’ mission is simple and direct: To lead the fight against hunger.

- The facts are startling: **1 in 6 people in central and southeast Indiana struggles with hunger and food insecurity.**
- The **most vulnerable** of our friends and neighbors — **senior citizens and children** — are at even greater risk: 20% of our elderly and our children don’t know where their next meal is coming from.
- Gleaners Food Bank of Indiana was founded in 1980 by concerned citizens who had a simple yet profound vision: **Food for every table. Hope for every future.** Gleaners leads the fight against hunger in central and southeast Indiana by collecting, storing, and distributing food to those in need.
- **Gleaners distributes food to hungry Hoosiers through a network of more than 230 partner agencies,** including emergency food pantries, soup kitchens, and shelters.
- Funds raise for Experience Gleaners will help Gleaners continue to assist millions of food insecure Hoosiers.

**BackSacks Weekend Meals for Schoolchildren: Hunger does stop on the weekends**

**Gleaners’ Senior Hunger Initiative works to fulfill the needs of seniors age 55 & over**

**173,900 Food Insecure in Marion County & over 328,000 food insecure in Gleaners’ 21-county service area**
EXPERIENCE GLEANERS

Explore Engage & Be Entertained

Guests will be invited to Experience Gleaners, a new concept in fundraising events! This warehouse-hosted event won’t be the typical “rubber chicken dinner” program.

Rolls-Royce is invited to participate as a Corporate Lounge Sponsor (see deal points on next page).

Guests will be invited to:

• IPL Invites you to Explore the warehouse, including the large 13,000 sq. ft. cooler
• Kroger Invites you to Engage in unique hands-on interactive experiences
• (Sponsor) Invites you to Be Entertained as you learn more about the Gleaners’ mission and donate to fund the unique Gleaners’ programs to continue to help food insecure Hoosiers.
• Bid on exciting silent & live auction items
• Enrich their evening by completing the Experience Gleaners Passport to win!
• Sponsorship opportunities range from $5,000 to $50,000 and more: includes opportunity to sponsor a year-round Gleaners Program such as School-Based Pantry, Mobile Pantry & more!
• The target fundraising goal for this event is $600,000!

Saturday, September 23, 2017
Gleaners Warehouse
5:30 pm – 9:30 pm - Casual Dress
Wooden Pallet Lounge Seating Areas

Not your traditional “table” sponsorship.

- Sponsor guests will **Experience Gleaners** through **Exploring** Gleaners’ warehouse...
- **Engaging** with Gleaners by actively participating in programs, and ...
- **Be Entertained** throughout the evening with food, drinks, music and more!

**Volunteers Needed!**

- Create, design and oversee volunteer build of one or several seating lounges
- Builds to happen in August and September – anytime volunteers are available
- 50 wooden pallet seating lounge areas are needed: to seat 10 people each
- Gleaners to provide all wooden pallets from Warehouse
- Foamcraft to provide all foam for seat cushions
- Some of the wooden pallet lounges may be cool & unique enough to auction off!
- All wooden pallet designers will receive recognition and tickets to the event

To encourage guests to Explore and Engage, Experience Gleaners will recycle & showcase its warehouse full of wooden pallets to create seating lounge areas for sponsors and guests.  
(Final designs TBD)

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