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FOR MORE INFORMATION:

The Down Syndrome Association of West Michigan Foundation provides financial support to organizations that serve and support the Down syndrome community and their families across West Michigan.

Down Syndrome Association of West Michigan Foundation

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT:

In 2004, the Winners Cup Benefit was created to raise funding for the West Michigan Down syndrome community. Proceeds from the annual event benefit the Down Syndrome Association of West Michigan Foundation (DSAWMF), raising the value of our endowment to over \$1.6 million and creating opportunities for us to support individuals with Down syndrome.

Your Support Empowers Our Community



The Winners Cup Benefit

A Kentucky Derby Party and Auction to Benefit the
Down Syndrome Association of West Michigan Foundation

May 6, 2023

at Egypt Valley Country Club

presented by MILLER
JOHNSON
Attorneys





Dinner, Dancing & Drinks

\$200 – All Inclusive | 5:00pm - Midnight

The 2023 benefit will be held on Saturday, May 6th at beautiful Egypt Valley Country Club in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Guests will enjoy the running of the Kentucky Derby during a lively cocktail hour, followed by an engaging dinner program featuring guest speaker Kayla McKeon, the first registered lobbyist with Down syndrome. The evening concludes with a live auction and ample opportunity for networking and dancing.



2023 SPEAKER

Kayla McKeon

Kayla McKeon is the Manager of Grassroots Advocacy for the National Down Syndrome Society (NDSS) where she works to advance legislation beneficial to the Down syndrome community. Kayla gained experience working with Members of Congress as an intern for Congressman John Katko of New York. She was named NDSS Self-Advocate of the Year in 2016 and joined the NDSS staff the following year. As the first registered lobbyist with Down syndrome, Kayla is a spokesperson for NDSS and the Down syndrome community, participating in media and speaking publicly both nationally and internationally.

PROGRAM

5-7pm | Cocktail Hour

RUN FOR THE ROSES 50/50 RAFFLE

SILENT AUCTION

7-9pm | Dinner & Auction

BEST HAT & DAPPER DAN CONTEST

Prizes are awarded to the guests with the best hat and ensemble.

EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

Nominated by the DSAWM community, a local educator will be celebrated who provides quality and inclusive educational opportunities for students with Down syndrome.

KEYNOTE ADDRESS FROM KAYLA MCKEON

LIVE AUCTION

9pm-midnight | Music & Dancing

Featuring live music by The Soul Syndicate, Grand Rapids' award-winning R&B, funk, and soul dance band

Auction Highlights

Mayan Palace Resort Getaway, UofM & MSU Game Day Packages, Northern Michigan Helicopter Tour Date, White Lake Fishing Excursion, and more!

We are excited to be joined by our DSAWM celebrities, self-advocate members who look forward to meeting you and sharing their stories!