



What another fantastic year it has been for ETC! We are so excited to report on the success of the 8th Annual Elizabeth Toon Charities Concert & Shootout! This spring, the board of directors and shootout committee was hard at work securing sponsorships, selling concert tickets, preparing for the live auction and so much more. We are thrilled to inform you that ETC raised \$533,091 this year at the concert & shootout on May 1-2. It was so great to have so many supporters, old friends and new, at the annual two-day event. On the beautiful Thursday night, Pat Green played an incredible sold-out show at The Rustic for a crowd of around 1,700 people. The fun continued with the shootout at Dallas Gun Club, where 81 teams participated in the sporting clay tournament. What a fun couple of days!

This summer, I have had the fortunate opportunity of going out into our community to deliver the checks to each of the 13 charities we supported this year. There is no better site than to see the children of these wonderful organizations and their smiling faces. It has been a pleasure working with all 13 charities over the past year and getting to see firsthand the impact they are having on our community! For example, I have learned of the amazing results the students of Catch Up & Read have achieved this year, with 87 percent of the elementary school students in the program reaching grade level reading! I have witnessed the amazing work Behind Every Door Ministries is doing in the community of the Village Oaks apartment complex in South Oak Cliff, where we funded the revitalization of their basketball court. I attended the Foundation for Education of Young Women's "Signing Day" at the Irma Rangel School, where the senior class announced where they will attend college in the fall. The day was a huge celebration as many of the students are the first in their families to attend college, and 100 percent of the graduating class is going to college! At ManeGait Therapeutic Horsemanship, I observed the new students of "GateWay to the Brain," the pilot program we helped fund that provides additional therapy to extend the benefits of riding horses. We are also so excited to continue our relationships with our partner charities Camp John Marc, Dallas Children's Advocacy Center, the Rise School of Dallas and Scottish Rite Hospital as we continue to witness the amazing work they do. Elizabeth would be so proud to support each and every one of these children in our community.

On a personal note, I want to thank you for all your support this year as I have transitioned into the role of Executive Director of Elizabeth Toon Charities. I have absolutely loved meeting and working with all the amazing supporters of ETC. This is truly a great community to be a part of and I look forward to another year supporting the children of North Texas.

Thank you for the tremendous support this year and we hope you will join us in 2015!

Sincerely,  
Carolyn Cross



## Country Sensations, Pat Green and Mockingbird Sun Raise More Than \$533,000 for Elizabeth Toon Charities

On a gorgeous night in May, more than 1,700 packed Dallas hotspot The Rustic for the 8th Annual Elizabeth Toon Charities Concert featuring an amazing live auction and concert. For the fourth year, Nashville-based Mockingbird Sun kicked off the night and played their top hits. Then Pat Green and his band kept the crowd dancing through the night!

Louis Murad of Murad Auctions did a phenomenal job helping raise \$107,000 through the live auction alone. Top selling auction items included a hunting trip in the Texas Hill Country, suite tickets to George Strait's final concert and a day of shooting with Green Beret John Wayne Wadding and Craft International.



The Kendra Scott jewelry pull was a huge hit again! Attendees could purchase a surprise box that contained a piece (or pieces) of the acclaimed jeweler's collection as well as gift cards to local restaurants and shops. All the proceeds were donated to Elizabeth Toon Charities and a special thanks to Kendra Scott for helping raise \$20,000!

Thank you to all the shootout committee members, volunteers from various charity organizations and ETC vendors for helping put on such an incredible event!



## THE SHOOTOUT!

This year's annual shootout was a huge success as well with more than 450 people attending and 81 teams. Both new and old faces joined the fun at Dallas Gun Club on the beautiful Friday. The morning flight of shooters began at 11 a.m. followed by a delicious BBQ lunch from Hard Eight BBQ where shooters networked and socialized. Following the afternoon flight, the day concluded with a fun happy hour and awards ceremony. Thank you to all our awesome station sponsors for your support.

We had a great group of competitors this year, and the winners took home some awesome prizes. First place was awarded to the Landry Team, and they each took home a Ruger 10/22 rifle. Second place went to Balfour Beatty Construction and third place to Cassidy Turley, and both teams took home Yeti coolers. Congratulations to all our fine shooters!

Each member of the shootout team received an ETC Game Guard camo duffel bag and they were a huge hit! There were also great raffle prizes including a custom gun vault donated by Furniture Consultants, Inc., a 12-gauge Benelli Montifeltro, and a 20-gauge Browning Citori that was paired with an Americase Ultra-Life transport case donated by Americase.

Thank you to all our shooters, volunteers and vendors for making the 8th Annual Shootout a success!



A special thank you to the 13 children's charities ETC supported this year for all their help volunteering at the events! More importantly, thank you for the wonderful work they do for children in need in our community. We were thrilled to distribute the grants this summer!



Foundation for the Education of Young Women



Catch Up & Read



ChildCareGroup



Scottish Rite Hospital



ManeGait Therapeutic Horsemanship



Rise School of Dallas



Children's Medical Center, Foster Care Clinic



Behind Every Door Ministries



Camp John Marc



Mental Health America of Greater Dallas



Dallas Children's Advocacy Center



Genesis Women's Shelter



Promise House

SAVE THE DATE!

Mark Your Calendars! Spread the Word!

Kendra Scott Gives Back Party



Please join us 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. on Thursday, September 25 at the Kendra Scott Store in West Village for cocktails and cupcakes!



Kendra Scott will donate 20 percent of all profits made that evening to Elizabeth Toon Charities. Additional details to follow.

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