**Gala Host Invite Email**

Hi Guest,

I hope all is well with you and you enjoyed the end of the summer! I wanted to reach out because I am working with FareStart as a gala host for the 28th Annual FareStart Great Food, Better Lives Gala on October 18th. This means that I will be inviting all of my close friends and family to join me and engage with this event, as this is an organization that I care deeply about.

Since early March, FareStart has served over 1 million emergency meals to the most vulnerable in our community. Currently, we are feeding over 6,500 individuals a day, working in partnership with over 20 community organizations across more than 100 sites. Amidst the COVID-19 crisis FareStart has continued to serve while rallying our partners and community to nourish those in need.

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, FareStart made the decision that hosting an in-person event for 800+ guests in October wouldn’t be possible.  So, they are taking the event virtual this year!  They are hosting an online auction featuring items like small, exclusive chef dinners, local travel packages, outdoor experiences, and of course world-class food and wine. This will culminate with a free-to-attend livestream “event” at **5:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 18th** with videos highlighting their COVID response, a live auction of 3-4 items, messages from Angela Dunleavy Stowell, FareStart’s CEO and a virtual fund-a-need. Although the event will look much different this year than in the past, it remains our largest and most significant fundraiser of the year, and given the rising need in the community, FareStart’s services will be needed now more than ever.

I would love for you to join me in attending the **28th Annual FareStart Great Food, Better Lives Virtual Gala Auction** **on Sunday,** **October 18, 2020,** hosted on YouTube. I will be hosting in this way.

Please register [HERE](https://www.farestart.org/farestart-gala). On the second page of registration, you can enter in my name in the “group name” field. Stay tuned for more communication from FareStart highlighting the gala, auction packages, and other ways to engage. I hope you can support this organization and join me on October 18th!

Cheers,