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Grace Place Dodge Tournament Raises \$6,000 for Education Programs

Naples, FL – Grace Place for Children and Families hosted its 3rd Annual Dodge for a Cause on Friday, June 5, bringing together local businesses, community members, and supporters for an evening of connection, competition, and impact.

The high-energy tournament, organized by the Grace Place Board of Ambassadors, welcomed teams from across the community to compete in a friendly dodgeball tournament while supporting education programs for children and families.

Suffolk Construction took first place, with Halstatt finishing as runner-up and AERET Restoration earning third place. Throughout the evening, teams competed in a double-elimination tournament while guests enjoyed music from a live DJ, pizza, games, and prize opportunities.

A highlight of the event was hearing from a Grace Place student who shared how the organization has impacted her life. Her story gave participants a firsthand look at how education and support can change the trajectory for families in our community.

The event raised \$6,000 in support of Grace Place programs, which equip families with English literacy, education, and the tools they need to move forward.

“Dodge for a Cause continues to be a great way to bring people together for something meaningful,” said Dallas Clarke, Chair of the Grace Place Ambassadors. “It’s fun, it’s competitive, and it connects our community to the impact happening here every day.”

Grace Place extends its gratitude to event sponsors, including DeAngelis Diamond Foundation as Victory Sponsor, Halstatt as Bracket Sponsor, and Lee County Electric Cooperative and Two Guys Hospitality Group as Court Sponsors, as well as all players, volunteers, and attendees who made the evening possible.

At Grace Place, events like Dodge for a Cause go beyond a single night. They help ensure students stay on track academically, parents build confidence through English literacy, and families continue working toward a better future.

For more information about Grace Place or ways to get involved, visit graceplacenaples.org.

ABOUT GRACE PLACE FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Grace Place for Children and Families is a nonprofit organization in Naples, Florida that helps remove barriers to opportunity by providing free, family-centered English literacy programs. By supporting every member of the family, from infants through adults, Grace Place strengthens English skills, academic success, and pathways to college and careers, enrolling over 1,300 students each year. Discover more at graceplacenaples.org, follow @graceplacenaples on social, or schedule a campus tour to see the impact in action.