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Local Realtors® Cook Up A Recipe For Success To Help An Amazing Kid **Weichert, Realtors® - Team Metro Hosts 10th Annual Port-A-Pit Fundraiser**

HICKORY, N.C. / Sept. 26, 2019 – The folks at Weichert, Realtors® - Team Metro enjoy helping people. It's just part of the company's DNA.

Whether it's finding a dream home for a client or giving back to the community, the team at the Hickory-based real estate agency are "all-in" on everything they do to help others.

That "all-in" mentality was on full display September 5 when the Weichert® affiliate hosted its 10th Annual Port-A-Pit fundraiser.

This year's benefit was held for six-year-old Paisley Beane, of Hickory, who has been battling a rare genetic disorder that results in short stature and skeletal anomalies that primarily affect her spine, arms and legs.

"We were truly honored to raise money to help Paisley and her family cover some of the out-of-pocket expenses for her medical care," said Kim Smith, the company's broker/owner.

Smith and her team of agents, administrative staff and volunteers sold over 1,000 meals at the event, which raised more than \$7,000 this year.

The Weichert team also prepared each meal, which included a half smoked chicken, two side dishes and a dessert, with lots of TLC to show their support for young Paisley.

"Paisley is a strong little girl who has overcome more than most people ever will in life and has learned at a young age to make the best out of any situation," added Smith. "The outpouring of support from everyone involved made this fundraising event a huge success. We can't thank the community enough for always supporting us through this fundraising event."

Weichert, Realtors® - Team Metro is an independently owned and operated Weichert affiliate. The office serves the Hickory metro area.

For more information about Weichert, Realtors® - Team Metro, located at 1144 Lenoir Rhyne Blvd. SE in Hickory, contact Kim Smith at 828-304-1000 or visit www.teammetro.net.

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The team at Weichert, Realtors® - Team Metro prepared and sold over 1,000 meals at this year's Port-A-Pit fundraiser. The annual event has raised more than \$35,000 since its inception 10 years ago.



The community rallied to help six-year-old Paisley Beane and her family by supporting a September 5 fundraising dinner hosted by Weichert, Realtors® - Team Metro in Hickory.

About Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc.: Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc. has grown steadily since Jim Weichert, president, chairman and CEO of Weichert Companies, launched the company's franchise division in 2001. The affiliate division was created to offer a business model for franchisee ownership candidates described as "a clearly defined operating system for marketing and managing a real estate business." Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc. announced its first affiliate in 2002, was ranked as one of the top traditional residential real estate franchises in *Entrepreneur's* 2018 Franchise 500 and was identified in 2018 by *Franchise Business Review* as one of the top U.S. franchises for owner satisfaction. Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc. has offices serving over 350 markets in 39 states. For more information about Weichert, visit Weichert.com or for information on franchise opportunities visit WeichertFranchise.com.

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