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## ***Youth In Need to Honor Three Community Leaders at 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Celebration of Youth***

Youth In Need will honor Virginia Boschert and Charline and Frank Martinez at its 23<sup>rd</sup> annual Celebration of Youth dinner and auction on Saturday, March 20, 2010, at the Ameristar Casino Resort Spa. The three honorees are long-time champions for children and families, Youth In Need supporters and active St. Charles County residents. Grant Alexander Executive Search, Mary and Rick Leach, SSM St. Joseph Health Center, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and Paul and Gwen Middeke are among Celebration of Youth's leading sponsors.

"Virginia Boschert and Frank and Charline Martinez are stellar examples of people with big hearts who celebrate their longevity by generously sharing their blessings," said Jim Braun, Youth In Need's President and CEO. "They were among Youth In Need's earliest donors to make a planned gift to the agency in support of our endowment fund, ensuring that generations of children and families facing adversity will receive help from Youth In Need. We are thrilled to be able to honor them for their life long commitment to children and families at the 2010 Celebration of Youth."

Reserve sponsorship, advertisement and ticket opportunities by March 15. For information, call 636-757-9346 or visit online at [www.youthinneed.org](http://www.youthinneed.org).

Youth In Need, a proud member of the United Way, is an eastern Missouri regional agency serving more than 10,000 children, teens and families each year with residential group homes, homeless street outreach, education, counseling and support groups, foster care case management and infant, child and family development programs. Youth In Need's mission: ***Believing in the power of potential, Youth In Need's mission is to provide nurturing environments and educational opportunities so children, youth, and families will find safety and hope, achieve their goals, and build a positive future.*** Youth In Need's programs and services are funded, in part, by its 2010 Children's Partners, including Monsanto as the exclusive Principal Partner.

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