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ROONEY'S GOLF FOUNDATION DONATES \$42,000 FROM GOLF TOURNAMENT AND \$17,000 FROM OVERCOMER LUNCHEON TO SIX LOCAL CHARITIES

West Palm Beach, FL – Rooney's Golf Foundation recently distributed \$59,000 to six local charities as a result of their fall fund-raising events. Local Rooney Family businesses, Palm Beach Kennel Club and Rooney's Beer Company coordinated the 16th Annual Rooney's Golf Tournament and 4th Annual Overcomer Luncheon with a committee of volunteers.

The 16th Annual Rooney's Golf Tournament was held on Monday, October 30 at Trump National Golf Club in Jupiter. This year's fall golf tournament raised \$42,000 for Forever Greyhound Adoptions, Place of Hope, Potentia Academy and St. Ann Catholic School. Next year's 17th Annual Rooney's Golf Tournament is scheduled for Monday, October 29, 2018 at Trump National Golf Club in Jupiter.

The 4th Annual Overcomer luncheon was held on Thursday, November 16 at National Croquet Center. This year's luncheon raised a record \$17,000 for Autism Project of Palm Beach County, Catholic Charities Diocese of Palm Beach and Potentia Academy. Anthony Ianni was the featured speaker focusing on an anti-bullying initiative. Next year's luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, November 15, 2018 at National Croquet Center.

"Our goal every year is to help raise funds for amazing local Charities and have some fun along the way. This year we exceed both. We are so excited that we were able to distribute \$59,000 to six wonderful local organizations. A big thank you to all of our participants, sponsors and volunteers who make these events so successful. Looking forward to another incredible year in 2018" said Alexis Barbish-Sommer, Executive Director of Rooney's Golf Foundation.

Rooney's Golf Foundation has donated \$787,427 to local Palm Beach County charities since 2001. These funds are raised through the golf tournaments, 5K Run/Walk, poker tournament and luncheon events. RGF Poker Tournament on Sunday, January 28, 2018 at Palm Beach Kennel Club; Rooney's 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, March 31, 2018 at Palm Beach Kennel Club; RGF Spring Golf Tournament on Thursday, May 3, 2018 at Abacoa Golf Club.

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