



2024 CASTING FOR A CAUSE

Hosted by Argyle UMC and benefitting North Texas Patriot Anglers



A family fishing event benefitting the north Texas community.

Saturday, October 19, 2024

Background: Thanks to our sponsors, participants, and volunteers, *Casting For A Cause (CFAC)* has raised over \$115,000 since the events inception in 2017. Over the last 8 years, the money raised has supported the NCTC Foundation Scholarship Program, local food insecurities, and veteran and first responder fly fishing programs. The proceeds of this 8th Annual – Casting for A Cause will benefit the North Texas Patriot Anglers in utilizing the therapeutic attributes of fly fishing to promote healing with veteran and first responders here in north Texas.



Impact: While fly fishing, people that struggle with social anxiety, depression, and addiction can connect with others by working towards a common external goal. Interactions in the outdoors are less likely to be muddled by social divisions. Instead, interactions center upon mindfulness, observation, and appreciation for one’s natural surroundings. Similarly, the river can be a safe space for people in recovery from drug and alcohol addiction. Fly fishing is a haven for veterans, first responders, and others who have undergone trauma. Fly fishing can re-establish a sense of their identity that may have been lost during service, disruptive experiences, or other life changes. Veterans find themselves once again in a “uniform” (waders and fishing attire) with intense focus on a task, but this time in the safe setting of nature.

2024 Fundraising Goal: The 8th Annual - *Casting For A Cause* event is scheduled for Saturday, October 19th. We have set our event fundraising goal at **\$40,000**. We know that budgets are tight, so as you are considering your community outreach requests, it is our hope that you will include our 2021 event in your budget.



About the Event: Casting for A Cause kicks off with a KIDS FISHING Tournament at 8 am on Saturday morning. The first 50 participants will receive a Zebco Rod/Reel Combo, an event t-shirt, and goodie bag. Prizes will be awarded each hour for winning catches. Games and a bounce house will be available for those not interested in fishing. Following the kids fishing event, a SHRIMP BOIL CELEBRATION will be from noon – 3pm. The Shrimp Boil will include live music, craft beer, shrimp, hot dogs/ hamburgers, a raffle, and silent auction. Tickets can be purchased at www.patriotanglers.org

Our ASK: There are a variety of ways to support the event in helping us reach our \$40,000 goal (Corporate Sponsorships, individual donations, participation in event, donation of raffle prizes, purchase of raffle tickets). Details are available at www.patriotanglers.org

Thank you for your consideration of supporting the **2024 Casting For A Cause** event.

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