

'Family, Fun & Fathers' will feature day of bowling and bonding at Lessard Lanes

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PLAINVILLE – The Main Street Community Foundation’s Men & Boy’s Fund are organizing a day of bowling and bonding between fathers and sons June 19 at the annual “Family, Fun & Fathers” event at Lessard Lanes.

The fun-filled outing will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. at Lessard Lanes at 136 New Britain Ave. Every ticket will include two games of bowling, one round of mini-golf, a pizza slice, a soft drink and a door prize ticket.

“This is a fun-raiser, not just a fundraiser,” said Rich Carmelich, the Men & Boys' Fund’s Advisory Board chair. “The main purpose is to provide men, boys, and their families with a fun-filled event while supporting their neighbors.”

Proceeds from the event will benefit the Men & Boys’ Fund, which Main Street Community Foundation established in 2016 to make it possible for men and boys to improve the quality of their lives, increase self-sufficiency, and make a positive difference in their community. The Fund serves Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott.

Samantha Rajotte, scholarship and program officer with the Main Street Community Foundation, said the fund has awarded more than \$28,000 in program and immediate response grants since its inception.

"The Men & Boys’ Fund at Main Street Community Foundation will be hosting an event on Father’s Day weekend to not only bring together families but to raise money for local men and boys," she said. "It is an opportunity for fathers and father figures to spend some fun time with their children."

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$15 for children under the age of 16 and must be purchased in advance by Friday, June 12.

The event is limited to 100 attendees in order to comply with the health and safety recommendations of the state and Lessard Lanes.

Tickets can be purchased online at mainstreetfoundation.org/mbf-event or by sending payment to Main Street Community Foundation, PO Box 2702, Bristol, CT 06010.

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More than 100 people attended “Family, Fun & Fathers,” hosted by the Men & Boys Fund of the Main Street Community Foundation in 2019. - Photo courtesy of the Main Street Community Foundation