

## NEWS RELEASE

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# Oklahoma Cattlemen to Present \$30,000 to the Children's Hospital Foundation - March 8

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK. March 4, 2019 – The Oklahoma Cattlemen’s Association’s (OCA) Ranch Rodeo has a close relationship with the Children’s Hospital Foundation (CHF) that spans 21 years and involves raising more than \$500,000. This Friday, March 8, the OCA Ranch Rodeo Committee will present \$30,000 to the CHF, which is the donation from the 2018 event. The donation will take place at the Lazy E Arena during the Cinch Timed Events Championship at half-time of the 7:30 p.m. performance.

"We are so excited to have surpassed \$500,000 in donations to the Children's Hospital Foundation. CHF has been our benefitting charity since 1997," said Tim Drummond, OCA Ranch Rodeo Chairman.

The OCA Ranch Rodeo involves 12 Oklahoma ranch teams that compete in five different events depicting real life activities that happen on the ranch. The event has affectionately been called, "Cowboys Helping Kids" because of the long-standing relationship with CHF.

"The Oklahoma Ford Dealers have been the presenting sponsor since the inception of the event," said Drummond. "Without their generous support, we would not have been able to help near as many Oklahoma children who are needing medical help."

The 35th annual OCA Ranch Rodeo will take place at the Lazy E Arena on Aug. 23 and 24, 2019. Tickets will go on sale in mid-May.

The OCA is the trusted voice of the Oklahoma Cattle Industry. OCA is the only voice that speaks solely for the cattlemen of Oklahoma and represents beef producers in all 77 counties across the state. The OCA officers, board of directors and membership encourages you to join us in our advocacy efforts to ensure less government intervention, lower taxes and a better bottom line. For more information about OCA membership, the theft reward program or activities call 405-235-4391 or visit [www.okcattlemen.org](http://www.okcattlemen.org).

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Cutline: The participating ranch team members not only participate in the ranch rodeo to fundraise for the Children’s Hospital Foundation, but have the opportunity to form a special bond with children and their families from the CHF. In this photo, Becca Gagan of the Lazy Rafter Slash Ranch Team puts a smile

on this young boy's face by giving him a chance to ride a horse during a special afternoon that we call, 'The Kid's Ranch Rodeo'.