

Apparo's 2020 ConnectivIT® Virtual Ball

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Featured ConnectivIT® Cocktail

INGREDIENTS:

1.7 oz	Tito's Vodka
1.5 oz	Strawberry
	Hibiscus Syrup
1 oz	Lemon Juice

DIRECTIONS:

- 1. Add all ingredients to shaker tin and add ice.
- 2. Shake and strain over fresh ice in an old fashioned glass.
- 3. Garnish with dehydrated lemon wheels.

ello, and welcome to Apparo's 2020 ConnectivIT[®] Virtual Ball! Each year, we look forward to gathering, celebrating and fundraising for Apparo's work – knowing it is **YOU** making it possible. This year, unfortunately, we need to gather from a distance. While we are definitely sad about not being able to hug you, dine with you and dance with you, we are also aware that many more from all over our community are able to join us because of the remote nature of this 2020 event. Together we will learn about the powerful transformation that Apparo is leading for area nonprofits every single day.

Apparo has challenged ourselves to make this one of the most unique virtual events ever. We hope that by the end of the evening you agree that we succeeded in our endeavors.

The theme of the evening is a celebration of the one-and-only Queen City. To say, "It's been a year," is an understatement. And yet amidst all of the struggles, silver linings have prevailed. Perhaps the brightest of all is the proof that Charlotte is strong. Very strong.

In our pains, we have come together (albeit from a safe distance) and grown together.

From Apparo's viewpoint, we have witnessed our fellow nonprofits unflinchingly shift their models to enable remote services. And, on the flip side, we have seen you - our corporate partners and volunteers - eagerly continue offering your support.

Your support is now, at this moment of great upheaval, **more important than** ever.

Thank you very much for joining us tonight. There is a great deal of important work that needs to be done to lift all people in our community. It is together that we will enable that work and change lives here in the Queen City.

Your presence tonight is ensuring this work continues.

Gratefully,

Kim Lanphear Apparo CEO

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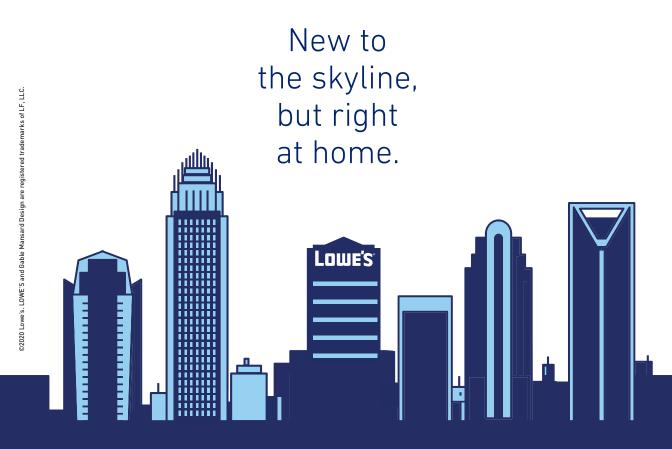
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Mission Possible: The Economic Opportunity Award



Apparo's Mission Possible Award Program, in partnership with Accenture, coaches nonprofits through building a proposal for a tech-based solution that will maximize their work and improve economic opportunity in the greater Charlotte area. The winning nonrpofit receives \$10,000 in cash and up to \$50,000 of consulting support to bring their proposal to life.

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An after-school program that takes a holistic approach to serving kids in Ashley Park and surrounding communities. They utilize small classroom sizes to deliver interactive lessons that complement students' schoolwork, provide spiritual guidance, and supply hot meals.



A faith-based, nonprofit organization that through partnerships honors the history and supports the collective vision of rejuvenation, economic stability, healthy living, and educational achievement within the Grier Heights community.



A thrift store that helps young adults with special needs harness their own special talents and prepares them to transition to rewarding careers and realize their dreams of leading meaningful lives.



We are proud to support Apparo and applaud the Mission Possible finalists for their work to build a better future for Charlotte.



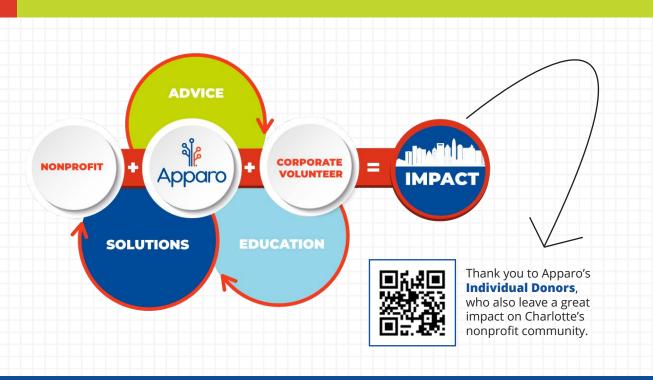
What We Know:

Nonprofits are devoted and purpose-driven, but often lack the resources to reach more people in need.

At the same time, philanthropy is woven into Charlotte's corporate fabric, with employees who are eager to support a cause and impact the community using their skills.

By connecting nonprofits to philanthropic corporate volunteers, we give them access to IT education and training, and affordable IT solutions that they need to effectively achieve their missions.

As a result, more good happens, and all parties benefit.





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