



QUICK FAQ • SPECIAL REACH + 2026 GALA

1 | ABOUT SPECIAL REACH

What is Special Reach?

A San Antonio nonprofit founded in 2011 to provide dynamic enrichment programs for children and other individuals with developmental disabilities and respite for their families.

Who does Special Reach serve?

Programs primarily serve children with developmental disabilities ages 6–18, their siblings ages 5+, and adults 19+ through designated programs.

What programs are offered?

Year-round opportunities include themed Party Nights, San Antonio Adventure Programs during school breaks, summer programs, Summer Social Club, and Dinner Clubs for adults 19+.

Why are our programs different?

Programs combine fun, friendship and meaningful social experiences with trained, experienced professionals. Special Reach lists staff such as certified special education teachers, licensed speech pathologists, and registered nurses.

How do families benefit?

Parents receive something many haven't experienced in years: time to rest, reconnect, and recharge while knowing their loved one is safe, engaged, and thriving.

Meanwhile, participants build friendships, confidence, communication skills, and greater independence through meaningful social experiences.

How large is the impact?

Special Reach reports that it now impacts more than 5,000 individuals each year which is significant growth from just five children when the organization began. 90% of our families receive financial assistance.

2 | ABOUT THE 2026 GALA

What is the Gala?

The 10th Annual Gala is Special Reach's signature fundraising celebration supporting programs for children and individuals with developmental disabilities and respite for their families.

When is it? Where is it?

Thursday, October 22, 2026. Estancia del Norte Hotel, Loop 410 at McCullough

Why does my sponsorship matter?

Gala proceeds help sustain the trained staff, scholarships, safe programming and year-round enrichment experiences that families depend on.

Why do businesses sponsor?

Your sponsorship not only changes lives but demonstrates your organization's commitment to strengthening families and building a more inclusive San Antonio.

What does sponsorship accomplish?

Sponsors help close the gap between the true cost of specialized programming and what families are asked to contribute, expanding access to safe, inclusive respite programs.

How can I help?

You can make a difference by becoming a Gala Sponsor, purchasing a table, attending the Gala, making a tax-deductible contribution, and introducing Special Reach to others who care for children with disabilities.

Who are this year's honorees?

Tres & Megan Steves

Who are this year's honorary chairs?

Ed & Nancy Kelley

PREFER TO SPONSOR BY CHECK?

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