

## COCAAN Announces New Giving Table Online Auction

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Central Oregon Community Action Agency Network (COCAAN) announced today the dates scheduled for the Giving Table Online Auction. The eBay event will run from Sunday, May 7th to Saturday, May 13th.

Each year, the local restaurant community comes together to help fight hunger and homelessness by participating in the Central Oregon Community Action Agency Network's (COCAAN's) Giving Table fundraiser. This year, however, we have changed the concept from an eat out night at participating restaurants to an online auction of gift certificates from those restaurants, bars and cafes that have elected to participate this year. The auction will feature a range of gift certificates in all price ranges-just in time for Mother's Day!

COCAAN's Giving Table Online Auction will feature many different packages of restaurant gift certificates. The auction will be run through the eBay Giving Works program. People who are not familiar with eBay online auctions can learn more here. The Giving Table Online Auction will work like other online auctions, except the proceeds will benefit COCAAN. During the online auction event, people can go to the auction web site and bid on a variety of gift certificate packages. Winning bidders will receive the gift certificates in the mail and all proceeds will go to COCAAN.

A prize of two rounds of golf and cart from Awbry Glen Golf Club will be awarded to the overall highest winning bidder.

COCAAN seeks to change the course of each family's future by giving them the tools they need to succeed. COCAAN's tool box includes Head Start, weatherization, home repair, energy and rent assistance, financial skills building, savings programs, assisting parents to find child care, tutoring homeless children, providing emergency and transitional housing to homeless families, home buyer education and feeding the hungry.

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