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**Dexter, Missouri -** Santa Claus, along with some special area elves, had a big gift in mind for The Ben Kruse 18 Fore Life Foundation this Christmas season as the Claus For A Cause fundraiser presented their check to Scott Kruse for \$4,000.00.

Among many other charitable events held throughout the year, Claus for a Cause is held at the Trinity United Methodist Church each December. Over the past three years, the event has raised nearly \$10,000 for charity organizations.

The inspired vision of Julie Dodd in 2008, the event has continued to grow each year. Julie and photography friend, Amy Ellinghouse, learned of the idea at a seminar that encouraged attendees to use their talents to bring good things to others. With a passion and love for photography, the idea was created and the rest is a wonderful history of contributions to others.

Claus For A Cause is a great gift to the community allowing area families to get high quality pictures of their children with Ole Saint Nick. These are memories that will last a lifetime for these families.

Congratulations to 18 Fore Life and a special thanks to Julie and her team for offering their gift of photography as a gift to our community.

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