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DEAR FRIENDS,

For 99 years, The Chicago Community Trust has reflected the collective spirit of commitment to community powered by the generosity of donors, residents, and nonprofit and civic leaders throughout our region.

To mark our 99th anniversary, we began in earnest to spark that spirit of community by engaging a much larger circle of residents in a conversation about the future of metropolitan Chicago. During On The Table, nearly 12,000 residents gathered in small groups to share meals and voice their ideas that could make our region even stronger. The result: one of the most powerful moments of civic reflection that the Chicago region has ever experienced.

In addition to thousands of ideas, the Trust heard a powerful call for more opportunities for community residents to connect and collaborate. Our fellow residents share a passionate desire to work together to overcome barriers and solve the most pressing challenges that keep individuals and communities from succeeding.

As we advance in our centennial year, we carry with us that echo of community conversation surfaced by On the Table. In the face of a rapidly changing economy, increasing diversity and disparity, shrinking role of government, and growing frustration with political gridlock, we heard the call for the Trust to — on behalf of our donors and nonprofits that we serve — lead by supporting and inspiring more opportunities for resident-centered discussion and action.

To that end, we’ve committed our centennial year, 2015, to inspiring more philanthropy — more public good — by amplifying stories of people and institutions that make our region vibrant. Without question, our donors, grant recipients and affiliates are representative of these heroic stories.

We remain grateful for the opportunity to serve you, and we look forward to sharing many of your stories.

You inspire us.

Sincerely,

FRANK M. CLARK
Chairman of the Executive Committee

TERRY MAZANY
President and Chief Executive Officer
YEAR IN REVIEW

OCTOBER 3, 2013
Trust donors discuss how they partner with The Chicago Community Trust to translate their values and passions into philanthropy that truly makes a difference at Impact Chicago, the Trust’s series of briefings exclusively for its donors and friends. The panel features Bob and David Mendelson, who share how the Trust has helped them cultivate family giving through three generations. Bob Mendelson established donor advised funds at the Trust for his three children, including David Mendelson. David Mendelson has passed on his passion for philanthropy to his own children, who will eventually serve as advisors to his donor advised fund at the Trust. In addition, Jean Cozier tells the audience how the Trust helped her set up the Awakenings Foundation, an organization she founded to help survivors of sexual abuse and rape use art to heal from their trauma and bring awareness to the problem.

OCTOBER 9, 2013
The Little City Foundation debuts its Trust-funded documentary at the Gene Siskel Film Center. “Share My Kingdom” delves into the lives and art of three artists with disabilities who emerged from the art program at Little City. Little City provides programs and services to children and adults with autism and other intellectual and developmental disabilities.

OCTOBER 28, 2013
The National Council of State Housing Agencies’ Annual Awards for Program Excellence recognizes Home First Illinois, a project funded in part by the Trust, as an outstanding model for providing housing and services for people with disabilities. Launched by Trust grant recipients IFF and Access Living, Home First Illinois develops and manages affordable, accessible housing options integrated into the community for low-income people with disabilities.

NOVEMBER 20, 2013
With support from the Trust, the Sinai Urban Health Institute launches the second Sinai Community Health Survey, the largest door-to-door health survey ever conducted to improve the health of Chicago’s most vulnerable communities. The survey will provide robust data about the health of residents and communities.

1. President and CEO Terry Mazany (second from l.) attended the world premiere of the Trust-funded documentary “Share My Kingdom” on Oct. 9, 2013, at the Gene Siskel Film Center. Mazany got the chance to meet the stars of the film, (from l.) Luke Tauber, Harold Jeffries and Wayne Mazurek, as well as Little City Foundation Executive Director Shawn E. Jeffers. Photo by Cristina Rutter.

2. Executive Committee member Jack Catlin announced the launch of ADA 25 Chicago at the Disability Pride Parade on July 19, 2014. The Trust-funded initiative will commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act in 2015 and leverage the milestone to ensure greater inclusion, empowerment and opportunities for people with disabilities in the Chicago region. Catlin is an honorary co-chair of the initiative. Photo by Bruce Powell.

3. Steve Pemberton, chief diversity officer of Walgreen’s, was one of the speakers at a breakfast meeting co-hosted by the Trust and Northern Trust on April 28, 2014, that explored how to improve employment opportunities for people with disabilities. Pemberton emphasized that the drug store chain employs people with disabilities because they first and foremost contribute to the growth of the company. “Talent and disability can and should exist in the same sentence,” he said. “That philosophy has been at the foundation of what we’ve done and crystallizes everything we do.” Photo by Bonnie Robinson.

4. (From l.) Moderated by Director of Donor Services Bob Eichinger, the Impact Chicago event on Oct. 3, 2013, featured Trust donors Bob Mendelson, David Mendelson and Jean Cozier discussing how they partner with the Trust to carry out their philanthropy. Photo by Cristina Rutter.

5. On June 23, 2014, Trust donors Peter Ascoli and Lynne Dinzole were among the 70 donors who attended the Trust’s Impact Chicago event, which was a small-scale, intimate version of the community foundation’s popular On the Table event that was held a month earlier. It gave them the opportunity to talk about the vital issues the Trust should address. Photo by Cristina Rutter.

6. The 2014 Chicago Community Trust fellows: (back row, from l.) David Ernesto Munar, president and CEO of the Howard Brown Health Center; David Marzahl, president and CEO of the Center for Economic Progress; Eliza Solowiej, executive director of First Defense Legal Aid; (front row, from l.) Cindy Holler, senior vice president for national real estate strategy of Mercy Housing Lakefront; Miguel Keberlein Gutiérrez, supervising attorney of the Illinois Migrant Legal Assistance Project and co-director of the Immigrants and Workers’ Rights Practice Group at LAF (Legal Assistance Foundation); and Beth Johnson, director of legal programs with Cabrini Green Legal Aid. Photo by Bonnie Robinson.
NOVEMBER 20, 2013
The Metropolitan Tenants Organization launches a mobile app for renters and landlords at a reception at the Trust’s office. Designed to facilitate communications and improve relations between tenants and landlords, the Squared Away Chicago app provides easy digital access to housing laws and advice, ways to document apartment conditions via photos and text, and a virtual paper trail if a complaint goes unresolved. The app also offers tips to landlords about interviewing prospective tenants, obtaining credit reports, and verifying employment and income sources. The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation funded development of the app with support from the Trust for marketing it.

NOVEMBER 21, 2013
The National Medical Fellowships hosts a colloquium for the recipients of the Dr. David Monash/John Caldwell Scott Student Scholarship Program, which is funded by the Trust. The winners of the scholarships give presentations about how their community service and research projects are helping underserved populations.

The Steppenwolf Theatre Company extends its production of “Tribes,” which is funded in part by the Trust. In this clever, funny and moving play, the only deaf member of a noisy and cheerfully combative family searches for a place to be heard.

JANUARY 28, 2014
In its first competitive grant cycle of the year, the Trust grants $12.7 million to 151 nonprofits. Of the grants awarded, six nonprofits receive $145,000 from the Unity Fund, the Trust’s campaign to combat poverty in the wake of the recession.

FEBRUARY 4, 2014
Six nonprofit leaders are selected to take part in The Chicago Community Trust Fellowship. The class of 2014 consists of three experienced leaders and three emerging leaders, who will pursue professional development that will enhance their leadership skills and strengthen the nonprofit sector.

FEBRUARY 4, 2014
GO TO 2040, the comprehensive regional plan for metropolitan Chicago that the Trust helped develop and fund, wins the 2013 National Award for Smart Growth Achievement from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in the category of policies, programs and plans. The award recognizes innovative policies and strategies that strengthen economies, provide
housing and transportation choices, bring benefits to a wide range of residents, and protect the environment.

**FEBRUARY 17, 2014**
The Knight Foundation awards the Trust a $500,000 grant to invest in digital tools that empower residents to use news and information to improve their quality of life. The Trust works with the Smart Chicago Collaborative, a funder collaborative of the Trust, to take open government resources directly into neighborhoods through a variety of civic apps.

**MARCH 10, 2014**
The Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust launches **Food:Land:Opportunity – Localizing the Chicago Foodshed**, a multiyear initiative aimed at increasing the region’s supply of local and sustainable food and strengthening the long-term resiliency of land and communities. Demand for local and sustainable food currently outpaces supply. By increasing access to land for sustainable production, strengthening the business skills of food practitioners and attracting capital to the system, **Food:Land:Opportunity** advances the region’s ability to respond to this demand and positions Chicago as a national leader in local food production. (To read more about **Food:Land:Opportunity**, see page page 36.)

**MARCH 17, 2014**
The Trust rolls out GrantCentral, its new online grants management system that minimizes the burden of the grant-seeking process for both applicants and staff. GrantCentral makes applying for grants, tracking applications and managing reports easier. Its features include verifying 501(c)(3) status in real time, matching funding requests with funding opportunities, and storing previous grant applications and basic information.

**APRIL 2, 2014**
More than 75 donors and friends of the Trust attend the sold-out Impact Chicago event “The Seamless City: How Transportation Will Keep Chicago Connected, Moving and Livable.” Moderated by Senior Program Officer Michael Davidson, the event features urban planning visionaries Joseph P. Schwieterman, Ph.D., of DePaul University, Peter Skosey of the Metropolitan Planning Council and George A. Ranney Jr. of Metropolis Strategies. They discuss the future of sustainable transportation in Chicago, including how it will create a clean and equitable city while helping Chicago retain a high-profile position in the global marketplace. As co-chair of the Northeastern Illinois Public Transit Task Force, Ranney gives the audience an exclusive insider’s perspective of the task force’s recently released report on how to improve the region’s fragmented and beleaguered mass transit system. The recommendations in the report include creating a superagency to replace the Regional Transportation Authority, along with the boards of the Chicago Transit Authority, Metra and Pace.

**APRIL 28, 2014**
More than 30 business and community leaders come together to discuss how to improve employment opportunities for people with disabilities at a breakfast meeting co-hosted by the Trust and Northern Trust. As people with disabilities contend with higher poverty, lower employment and lower earnings than people who don’t have disabilities, President and CEO Terry Mazany stresses to the audience the important role corporate CEOs play in addressing the employment gap for people with disabilities. In addition, Chief Diversity Officer Steve Pemberton of Walgreen’s shares how the drug store chain makes a concerted effort to hire people with disabilities. Walgreen’s identifies the strengths and talents of each employee with a disability and matches them to the company’s needs, expecting the same performance standards from them as its employees who don’t have disabilities. As a result, people with disabilities make up 38 percent of Walgreen’s workforce at its Windsor, Conn., distribution facility; 46 percent of its employees at its Anderson, S.C., distribution facility; and 12 percent of its workforce across its supply chain.
MAY 8, 2014
The Young Leaders Fund, an identity-focused fund at the Trust, honors its 2014 grant recipients at its reception at The Buckingham Athletic Club. YLF awards $34,000 in grants to support programs in arts and culture, childhood development and education, and community and economic development. The following grassroots nonprofit organizations receive grants from YLF this year: Community Film Workshop, Erasing the Distance, Happiness Club, Allowance for Good, {she crew}, Sit Stay Read, Bridge to Success, Chicago Area Fair Housing Alliance and Joanie Girl’s Heart.

MAY 12, 2014
The Trust celebrates its 99th anniversary with On the Table, the event that brings together more than 11,500 residents from across metropolitan Chicago to discuss the future of the region over mealtime conversations. Over 1,100 hosts, including nonprofit organizations, schools, concerned citizens, elected officials, corporate CEOs and the media, and their guests discuss the issues they believe are crucial to building and sustaining strong and safe communities. Many of the ideas that emerge from this event will help the Trust develop its strategic priorities. (To read more about On the Table, see page 42.)

MAY 20, 2014
The Trust awards its second round of competitive grants to 141 nonprofits, totaling about $11.8 million. Of those grants, $160,000 from the Unity Fund is awarded to three nonprofits working to help those suffering from the devastating effects of the economic crisis.

JUNE 23, 2014
The Trust hosts a small-scale version of its popular On the Table initiative specifically for donors at its latest Impact Chicago event at the Tortoise Club. Donors not only get a sneak peek of the insightful topics and ideas that were discussed at the original On the Table event in May, but they also have the opportunity to build on those ideas and shape the public agenda. They talk about the issues they believe the Trust should tackle to improve the future of Chicago. Those ideas include the Trust directing additional donor dollars and administrative fees toward its endowment for more grant making, repurposing empty public schools into mental health centers in order to reduce the prison population, and using its convening power to promote inclusion.

JUNE 23, 2014
The Millennium Reserve Steering Committee, which the Trust is a member of, delivers its final report to Gov. Pat Quinn on how to revitalize the Millennium Reserve, a 220-square-mile section of the southern part of the Chicago region. The report recommends projects that will improve the region’s economy and strengthen its communities while protecting and restoring its natural environment.

JUNE 26, 2014
The Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights presents the Trust with its Building the American Community Award. The award recognizes the Trust’s role in promoting the rights of immigrants and refugees to participate in the civic, cultural, social and political life of metropolitan Chicago.

JULY 14, 2014
The Financial Services Pipeline, a funder collaborative of the Trust, hosts a conference for more than 100 summer interns at the Federal Reserve Bank of
Chicago that examines the career paths in the financial services industry. The interns are employed by Chicago-based companies that are part of the Financial Services Pipeline, a coalition of organizations working to increase diversity in Chicago’s financial services sector.

**JULY 19, 2014**
The Trust launches ADA 25 Chicago at the Disability Pride Parade. ADA 25 Chicago will commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act in 2015 by coordinating events, programs and legacy projects designed to ensure greater inclusion, empowerment and opportunities for people with disabilities in metropolitan Chicago.

**SEPTEMBER 2, 2014**
Out of the nearly 1,000 ideas that emerged from On the Table, the Trust’s 99th anniversary event that brought together more than 11,500 people to discuss the future of Chicago over mealtime conversations on May 12, 2014, six ideas are selected to be further refined and developed in lab sessions called collaboratories over the next few months. The ideas are: a digital platform to connect community needs with nonprofits and government services; a project to create opportunities for youth in the sustainability and green industries; revitalization of vacant properties into innovation hubs in underserved communities; empowering parents to improve their neighborhood schools; a sister neighborhoods initiative that breaks down barriers across communities; and a campaign to identify and create safe spaces that encourage people to gather and get to know each other regularly.

**SEPTEMBER 8, 2014**
The Trust and the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation co-host a screening of a new documentary they funded about the challenges homeless teenagers face. “The Homestretch” follows three teenagers through a complex and haunting Chicago landscape of couch-hopping, emergency shelters, makeshift homes and a school system struggling to cope with this crisis. Kartemquin Films, which produced the documentary, shot the film over the course of five years, gaining unprecedented access into the Chicago Public Schools, The Night Ministry’s emergency youth shelter and Teen Living Programs’ Belfort House.

**SEPTEMBER 18, 2014**
President and CEO Terry Mazany talks about the importance of comprehensive, long-range planning to strengthen Chicago’s neighborhoods at the 2014 University of Illinois at Chicago Urban Forum: The Return of the Neighborhood as an Urban Strategy, which features policy makers, researchers, experts and residents exploring the key roles neighborhoods play in building strong, livable urban regions. He emphasizes that a successful long-range plan is thoughtful and strategic about the economy, environment and equity — the three components of sustainable development.

**SEPTEMBER 18, 2014**
More than 150 people celebrate some of the most outstanding after-school programs in Chicago when they attend the Springboard Foundation’s Annual Dinner at the Standard Club. The Springboard Foundation, which is a supporting organization of the Trust, awards $265,000 in grants to support 24 nonprofits with innovative after-school activities.

**SEPTEMBER 23, 2014**
The Trust awards nearly $12 million in grants to 175 nonprofits in its last competitive grant cycle of the year. Of those grants, $225,000 is awarded from the Unity Fund campaign to help four nonprofits meet the basic human needs of the region’s most vulnerable residents.

**SEPTEMBER 24, 2014**
Latino Giving Circle, an identity-focused fund at the Trust, celebrates its grant recipients at its reception at PNC Bank. LGC awards $15,000 in grants to three emerging nonprofits that support the Latino community. Chicago Youth Boxing Club, H.A.C.E.S. (Hispanic American Community Education and Services) and P.A.S.O. (Proyecto de Accion de los Suburbios del Oeste) will use their $5,000 grants to bolster their capacity building in strategic planning, financial management, or marketing and outreach.
The Chicago Community Trust seeks to secure metropolitan Chicago’s economic future by improving the quality of education for all students; developing, attracting and retaining a globally competitive workforce; and collaborating with the public and private sectors to develop and implement an economic plan that strengthens the Chicago region as a global economic center.

Mayra Mena, a kindergarten teacher at St. Michael the Archangel Catholic School, works with her students as they develop foundational mathematical skills, such as numeral identification and number representation. Mena participated in the professional learning provided by the University of Chicago’s Center on Mathematics and Science Elementary Education in partnership with the Big Shoulders Fund. This work is supported by the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust. Photo by Lloyd Degrane.
EDUCATION

High-Quality Teaching and Learning in All Core Curricular Areas

Big Shoulders Fund
$150,000* for language and literacy instructional improvement in nine of its member schools and schools from the Chicagoland Lutheran Education Foundation networks with the support of Concordia University Chicago’s Center for Literacy

$175,000* for a partnership with Loyola University’s Center on Science and Mathematics Education to support implementation of the Next Generation Science Standards by providing professional development for 3rd- to 8th-grade teachers from 15 schools

$244,000* for a partnership with the University of Chicago Center for Elementary Math and Science Education to strengthen math instruction in seven schools

Center: Resources for Teaching and Learning
$90,000* for the improvement of instruction in five districts around language development and literacy

Children First Fund/CPS
$250,000 for the continuation of professional development in 30 Chicago public schools (CPS) on how to implement the Social Science 3.0 standards

$50,000 for the continuation of professional development of CPS district leaders and school teams on how to support language development and literacy of all students

DePaul University
$670,000* for strengthening mathematics teaching and learning by providing professional development for CPS network teams of teachers and staff with additional supports in four to six networks

$237,000* for implementation of the Next Generation Science Standards by providing professional development for 3rd- to 8th-grade teachers from 22 schools and in-school supports to eight of these schools in CPS Network 2

Erikson Institute
$220,000* for districtwide efforts of the CPS Department of Math and Science to implement the Common Core State Standards for Mathematics in grades pre-k to 5 by providing intensive supports to 15 elementary schools

Ingenuity Incorporated Chicago
$200,000* for its work of increasing access to high-quality arts instruction in all Chicago public schools

Loyola University Chicago
$90,000* for the evaluation of the implementation of the Next Generation Science Standards in Chicago Public Schools and Big Shoulders Fund schools supported by the NGSS Collaborative

Loyola University Chicago Center for Math and Science Education
$160,000* for the implementation of the Next Generation Science Standards by providing professional development for 3rd- to 8th-grade teachers from 16 schools and in-school supports to seven of these schools in CPS Network 3

Loyola University Chicago School of Education
$270,000* for a collaborative project with Chicago Public Schools to support language and literacy development of students in elementary and secondary schools in two networks and intensive coaching in 12 schools

University of Chicago Center for Elementary Math & Science Education
$200,000* for the implementation of the Next Generation Science Standards by providing professional development for pre-k to 5th-grade teachers from 20 schools and in-school supports to eight of these schools in CPS Network 9

$200,000* for the C-STEMEC partnership to advance STEM education policy in Illinois to ensure a common and coherent message that is evidenced-based about K-12 STEM education improvement

University of Chicago School of Social Service Administration
$270,000* for the Network for College Success’ Language, Literacy and Leadership project in Chicago public high schools

University of Illinois at Chicago College of Education
$125,000* for the evaluation by the PRAIRIE Group of the implementation of the language development and literacy projects in CPS and other school systems supported by the Trust’s grants

University of Illinois at Chicago Learning Sciences Research
$1,200,000* for strengthening mathematics instruction in 32 south and west suburban Cook County districts

A kindergarten student at St. Michael the Archangel Catholic School explores geometry, patterns and shape attributes using pattern blocks. In this simple activity, this student engages with multiple rigorous content and practice standards, such as modeling with mathematics and looking for and making use of structure. The teacher of this student has participated in professional learning provided by the University of Chicago’s Center on Mathematics and Science Elementary Education in partnership with the Big Shoulders Fund. This work is supported by the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust. Photo by Lloyd DeGrane.
At Mancel Talcott Elementary School, a Chicago public school, the kindergarten teacher works with students as they count sets of glass pebbles to match numerals written on cards. This is important because children in kindergarten need to develop a solid understanding of all the numbers up to 10, such as what is greater than what and how many more do you need to make 10 if you have 7. The kindergarten teacher has participated in the pre-kindergarten to 5th-grade math professional development provided by the Erikson Institute and supported by the CME Group Foundation and The Chicago Community Trust. Photo by Lloyd DeGrane.

With Trust support, the Safer Foundation collaborated with TEC Services and Best Buy to provide computer-repair and software training for people with criminal records. Those who complete the program are placed in jobs at Best Buy’s service center or other technology-related industries. About 80 percent of participants successfully complete the program and obtain employment. Photo by Bruce Powell.

**WestEd**

$77,000* for its professional development institutes in the Chicago region on how to help teachers learn how to support academic language development of students

Subtotal $4,878,000

**Strengthening Teacher and School Leader Preparation**

**New Leaders**

$100,000* for its redesign of its principal preparation program

**Northeastern Illinois University**

$100,000* for its redesign of training of middle school math and science teachers in partnership with Truman and Wright City Colleges

Subtotal $200,000

**Facilitating College Access and Success**

**Scholarship America**

$9,000 for distribution of the Eleanor L. Swartz Scholarship Fund

$725,000 for distribution of the William J. Cook Scholarship Fund

Subtotal $734,000

**Responsive - Education**

**Center for Tax and Budget Accountability**

$50,000* for developing and disseminating an economic white paper that makes the case for the benefits and strategies of education funding reform in Illinois

**Community Renewal Society**

$45,000* for Catalyst Chicago

**Hive Chicago Fund for Connected Learning**

$200,000* for its mission of providing innovative learning experiences for Chicago youth

**Lincoln Park Zoological Society**

$1,000,000* for the construction of the Education and Conservation Center

**New York University Metropolitan Center for Research on Equity**

$250,000* for support of CPS’ high school development strategy

**World Sport Chicago**

$200,000* for the scholars program

Subtotal $1,745,000

**TOTAL COMPETITIVE EDUCATION GRANTS**

$7,557,000

**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

**Job Training and Placement Programs**

**Arise Chicago**

$50,000 for the wage-recovery programming for low-wage workers

**Automotive Mentoring Group**

$25,000 for intensive hands-on automotive training with an emphasis on classic vehicle restoration

**Bethel New Life**

$70,000 for the NIMS metal-working bridge program

**Calumet Area Industrial Commission**

$75,000* for the job-training and placement program

*Grants made from the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust
The North Lawndale Employment Network received a grant from the Trust to support its Moving Forward program, which trains formerly incarcerated people for jobs as diesel mechanics with the Chicago Transportation Authority. With 35 percent of the CTA’s skilled maintenance workers eligible for retirement, this program creates a pipeline to address the upcoming shortage of skilled workers at the CTA while also reducing recidivism by providing stable, living-wage employment for participants in the program. Photo courtesy of the North Lawndale Employment Network.
### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

#### Responsive – Economic Development

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**Subtotal $1,913,000**

### TOTAL COMPETITIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

$1,913,000

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*Grants made from the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust
Health, Housing and Human Services

To tackle poverty in metropolitan Chicago, The Chicago Community Trust seeks to create a healthy and safe region by ensuring access to affordable housing; reinforcing the safety nets for people facing homelessness, hunger and health challenges; and finding long-term strategies to improve community health and public safety, including reforms to the criminal justice system.

The Trust supported Home First Illinois, which buys and renovates apartments so that they are accessible and affordable for low-income people with disabilities. The initiative is a partnership between IFF and Access Living designed to transition people with disabilities into mixed-income, transit-oriented neighborhoods from nursing homes and other long-term care facilities. Photo by Bonnie Robinson.
HEALTH
Access to Health Care
Access Community Health Network
$77,000* for the Patient Centered Medical
Home and Care Coordination Program
Advocate Charitable Foundation
$40,000* for the Mobile Dental Program
Alivio Medical Center
$95,000* for the Patient Centered Medical
Home and Care Coordination Program
Asian Health Coalition of Illinois
$40,000* for the Colon Cancer Prevention
Project
Asian Human Services Family Health Center
$75,000* for the Oral Health Access program
Center for Independence through Conductive
Education
$40,000* for the Motor Training Program for
Children with Physical Disabilities
Community Counseling Centers of Chicago
$150,000* for behavioral and primary
health care services to people with serious
mental illness in partnership with Heartland
Health Home
CommunityHealth
$125,000* for the MedAccess Pharmacy
Program
CORE Foundation
$150,000 for Project Connect
Erie Family Health Center
$96,000* for the Education Centered Medical
Home Program
Esperanza Health Centers
$65,000* for the Behavioral Health Integration
Program
Healthcare Alternative Systems
$75,000* for the Behavioral and Mental Health
Programs
Horizon Hospice and Palliative Care
$50,000 for the Increasing Access to
Comprehensive End-of-Life Care program
Howard Brown Health Center
$150,000* for access to comprehensive
health care through primary care and behavioral
health integration
Illinois Association of Free and
Charitable Clinics
$100,000* for the Forging the Future of Free
and Charitable Clinics project
Illinois College of Optometry
$65,000* for the Chicago Vision Outreach
Program
Infant Welfare Society of Chicago
$45,000* for the Healthcare for Low-Income
Uninsured Individuals program
Inner-City Muslim Action Network
$90,000* for the Clinic and School-Based
Mental Health Services
Loyola University Chicago
$146,000* for the Loyola Community Nursing
Center program
McDermott Center/Haymarket Center
$129,500 for the Access to Health Care and
Substance Use Prevention Program
Night Ministry
$50,000 for the Outreach and Health Ministry
Program
A Silver Lining Foundation
$50,000* for the cost-free mammogram and
diagnostic evaluation program
Thresholds
$40,000* for the Dental Services Program
Subtotal $1,943,500
Health System Reform
AgeOptions
$85,000 for the Making Medicaid Work
Affordable Care Act Education and Outreach
AIDS Foundation of Chicago
$80,000 for the Promoting Successful Health
Care Reform for People with HIV in Illinois
program
Aunt Martha’s Youth Service Center
$150,000* for the Increasing Access to
Quality Care Initiative
Campaign for Better Health Care Fund
$150,000* for the Health Care Reform
Implementation program
EverThrive Illinois
$125,000 for the Affordable Care Act: Patients
and Providers Project
Health & Disability Advocates
$75,000 for the Starting Strong in Illinois
program
Health and Medicine Policy Research Group
$10,000 for technical assistance to Illinois
health care systems
$150,000* for the Strengthening Health
Systems and Healthcare Access project
Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and
Refugee Rights
$125,000 for the Immigrant Healthcare Access
Initiative
Illinois Public Health Institute
$25,000 for providing coordination and
stakeholder support for the Governor’s Office
for Health Innovation and Transformation’s
Data and Technology Work Group
Local Initiatives Support Corporation
LISC Chicago
$100,000* for Healthy Communities Planning
Planned Parenthood of Illinois
$140,000 for the Increasing Access to
Reproductive Health Care program
Sargent Shriver National Center on
Poverty Law
$150,000 for the Illinois Health Policy
Advocacy Project
TASC
$98,000 for the Cross-Systems Collaboration
to Build Health Care Access for People under
the Justice Supervision program
University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health
$150,000 for the Bringing Communities Into the Culture of Coverage program
Subtotal $1,613,000

Preventing and Reducing Obesity
Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago
$100,000* for the Growing Healthy Funders Network
$100,000* for the Consortium to Lower Obesity in Chicago Children (CLOCC) initiative: Aligning Obesity Prevention Initiatives in Chicago
Asian Human Services of Chicago
$55,000* for the Path to Healthy Living Program
Boys and Girls Clubs of Chicago
$58,000* for the Enhancing Healthy Habits Project
Centro Latino/Universidad Popular
$60,000 for the HEALIN project
Children First Fund/CPS
$150,000 for the LearnWELL health and wellness program
Enlace Chicago
$80,000* for the Pocket Parks and Wellness Initiative
Erie Neighborhood House
$50,000* for the Super H: Healthy Kids Healthy Families Programs
EverThrive Illinois
$75,000* for the Cooking Matters program
Gads Hill Center
$50,000* for the Healthy Moves program
Gary Comer Youth Center
$90,000* for the Health and Wellness project
Illinois African American Coalition for Prevention
$80,000 for the MEND in Chicago program
Illinois Public Health Institute
$125,000* for the Illinois Alliance to Prevent Obesity
Puerto Rican Cultural Center
$150,000* for the Greater Humboldt Park Community of Wellness coalition
Saint Anthony Hospital Foundation
$35,000* for the Wellness that Works Program
Sinai Health System
$150,000* for the Evaluation Capacity Building initiative
TCA Health
$149,900* for the Health & Wellness Collaborative of Chicago’s Far South Communities
University of Illinois at Chicago College of Applied Health
$149,900* for the Community Coalition to Promote Healthy Lifestyles
YMCA of Metropolitan Chicago
$85,000* for the Healthy Communities programming
Subtotal $1,792,800

Medical Scholarships
National Medical Fellowships
$185,000 for the Dr. David Monash/John Caldwell Scott Medical Student Scholarship Program
Subtotal $185,000

Responsive - Health
Brushwood Center at Ryerson Woods
$75,000 for the Trail Tales (Caminando con Cuentos) project
Family Institute
$75,000 for the Psy-Change project to utilize metrics for family therapy practice and evaluation
Health and Medicine Policy Research Group
$150,000* for the Transforming Health Care Systems in Illinois
Healthy Schools Campaign
$25,000 for Change for Good, a citywide effort to address childhood obesity
Sinai Health System
$492,100 for the Community Health Survey
United States Curling Association
$50,000 for the administration of the Darwin Curtis Fund
University of Illinois at Chicago Library of Health Sciences
$25,000 for the acquisition of books and journals in the field of dermatology
Subtotal $892,100

TOTAL COMPETITIVE HEALTH GRANTS
$6,426,400

HOUSING
Preventing and Ending Homelessness
Alliance to End Homelessness in Suburban Cook County
$65,000 for general operating support

*Grants made from the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust
Beacon Therapeutic Diagnostic and Treatment Center
$50,000 for moving vulnerable homeless families into permanent supportive housing
$40,000 for general operating support

BEDS Plus Care
$25,000 for the Homelessness Supportive Services program

Casa Central
$40,000 for the La Posada Interim Housing Program for Homeless Families

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago
$40,000 for the homelessness call center

Center for Changing Lives
$30,000 for the shelter-based financial and employment services

Center for Housing & Health
$60,000 for the Outreach Coordination Program

Center on Halsted
$20,000 for the Homeless Youth Services program

Chicago Alliance to End Homelessness
$80,000 for general operating support

Chicago House and Social Service Agency
$55,000 for the PATHway Program

Chicago Rehabilitation Network
$25,000 for the Housing Needs Communications Campaign

Corporation for Supportive Housing
$55,000 for technical assistance to the homeless continuum of care

Featherfist
$75,000 for housing locator activities

Francisan Outreach Association
$90,000 for the case-management program

Heartland Health Outreach
$140,000 for the street outreach program and harm-reduction training for homeless service providers

Institute of Women Today
$20,000 for the interim housing program for homeless families

Kartemquin Educational Films
$25,000 for “The Homestretch” project

La Casa Norte
$50,000 for scattered site supportive housing

Lincoln Park Community Shelter
$20,000 for the OnTrack Program

Pacific Garden Mission
$70,000 for the ongoing Transient Women’s and Transient Men’s Programs

Pathways to Housing
$15,000 for the Housing First Partners Conference

Primo Center for Women and Children
$40,000 for the interim housing program

Puerto Rican Cultural Center
$30,000 for the El Rescate housing for homeless LGBTQ youth and young adults

Renaissance Social Services
$40,000 for the Supportive Housing Outreach Team

Saint Leonard’s Ministries
$25,000 for the Harvest Common Residence project

Teen Living Programs
$50,000 for the Stable Housing Program

West Suburban PADS
$75,000 for the Outreach and Engagement program

Subtotal $1,350,000

Housing and Foreclosure

Albany Park Neighborhood Council
$60,000 for the Renters Advocating for the Right to Stay project

Bickerdike Redevelopment Corporation
$65,000* for the Affordable Housing Preservation and Restoration Initiative

Brighton Park Neighborhood Council
$25,000 for preserving homeownership and preventing foreclosure

Business and Professional People for the Public Interest
$65,000* for the Core Housing Program work in collaboration with the Regional Housing Partnership

The Chicago Community Foundation
$200,000* for start-up costs for the Partnership for Community Inclusion Fund funder collaborative

Chicago Community Loan Fund
$60,000* for access to financing and technical assistance for community developers

The Trust awarded a grant to the Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law to support the Illinois Health Policy Advocacy Project, which seeks to implement Medicaid expansion, the health insurance exchange so residents can obtain affordable health insurance and transformative health care delivery models. Stephani Becker, senior policy specialist at the center, is pictured giving a presentation about the enrollment experience for immigrants in Illinois at the Georgetown Center for Children and Families Conference. Photo courtesy of the Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law.
Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago was awarded a grant from the Trust to support its Homelessness Prevention Call Center, which directs callers who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless to appropriate social service agencies. Photo courtesy of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Chicago Rehabilitation Network
$100,000* for the Building Housing Security for our Future Chicago program

Genesis Housing Development Corporation
$25,000 for the Building a Legacy through Housing Education program

Greater Southwest Development Corporation
$25,000 for the Preserving Homeownership and Preventing Foreclosure program

Housing Action Illinois
$110,000* for general operating support with a focus on advancing the Regional Housing Partnership work plan

IFF
$75,000* for the Home First Illinois program

Kenwood-Oakland Community Organization
$10,000 for work in advancing affordable rental housing

Latino Policy Forum
$20,000 for the collaboration of its Housing Acuerdo with the Regional Home Ownership Preservation Initiative

Lawyers' Committee for Better Housing
$75,000 for the Affordable Housing Preservation Program

Logan Square Neighborhood Association
$10,000 for involvement with the Keep Chicago Renting and Chicago Housing Initiatives campaigns

Mercy Housing Lakefront
$75,000* for the Affordable Housing Development and Preservation Initiative

Metropolitan Mayors Caucus
$80,000* for the Inter-Jurisdictional Housing Collaboratives project

Metropolitan Tenants Organization
$85,000 for general operating support

Neighborhood Housing Services of Chicago
$50,000 for its foreclosure-prevention counseling, homeownership education, financial-capability workshops and partnership development

$40,000* for the Regional Housing Partnership, strategic planning and outreach to new stakeholders within South Suburban Cook County

North River Commission
$20,000 for the Affordable Rental Housing Program

Northwest Side Housing Center
$55,000 for the Home Preservation project

Open Communities
$15,000 for the Foreclosure Prevention Program

$25,000 for work in advancing affordable rental housing

Organizing Neighborhoods for Quality: Northside
$30,000 for the Affordable Housing Preservation and Creation Project

Resurrection Project
$25,000 for the Preserving Homeownership and Preventing Foreclosure Initiative

Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law
$50,000 for the Chicago Rental Housing Preservation Project

Southside Together Organizing for Power
$10,000 for the Housing Justice Program

Spanish Coalition for Housing
$75,000 for the Preserving Homeownership and Preventing Foreclosure program

Woodstock Institute
$100,000 for convening and coordinating the lead partners of the Regional Housing Partnership, managing the RHP website, and leading the RHPs research priorities and work plan

Subtotal $1,735,000

Circuit Court of Cook County Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation Program
The following grants were made for outreach activities related to the Circuit Court of Cook County Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation Program.

Action Now Institute
$161,333

Albany Park Neighborhood Council
$35,250

Developing Communities Project
$114,875

Genesis Housing Development Corporation
$96,000

*Grants made from the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust
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With Trust support, Neighborhood Housing Services of Chicago expanded its housing counseling program to south suburban Cook County. The program includes group classes that cover the home-buying process, foreclosure prevention and affordable mortgage financing as well as one-on-one counseling sessions. Photo by Bonnie Robinson.

Interfaith Leadership Project of Cicero, Berwyn and Stickney  
$101,583

Latin United Community Housing Association  
$89,233

Logan Square Neighborhood Association  
$55,500

Northwest Side Housing Center  
$181,700

Oak Park Regional Housing Center  
$121,458

Open Communities  
$99,167

P.A.S.O. - West Suburban Action Project  
$61,100

Southwest Organizing Project  
$177,667

Woodstock Institute  
$22,000

Subtotal $1,316,866

TOTAL COMPETITIVE HOUSING GRANTS  
$4,401,866

HUMAN SERVICES

Hunger

Claretian Associates  
$45,000 for the Southeast Chicago Food Network

Enlace Chicago  
$65,000 for the Hope Response Coalition

Experimental Station  
$75,000 for the 61st Street Farmers Market and LINK UP Illinois programs

Gary Comer Youth Center  
$50,000* for the Grand Crossing Food System Project

Greater Chicago Food Depository  
$190,000 for food purchases and agency council capacity building

Heartland Human Care Services  
$50,000* for the Chicago FarmWorks

La Casa Norte  
$65,000 for an alliance of community groups working to address food security in northwest Chicago communities

Northern Illinois Food Bank  
$85,000* for hunger relief and essential nutrition through fresh produce and dairy

Restoration Ministries  
$25,000 for acquiring food and supplies for the food pantries in the Bilingual Food Pantry Outreach Program

Top Box Foods  
$30,000* for the Vista Outreach project

Subtotal $680,000

Access to Public Benefits

Center for Economic Progress  
$100,000* for free tax and financial services for low-income residents of metropolitan Chicago

Operation Warm  
$20,000 for the cost of 1,000 winter coats to be distributed to Chicago children in the winter of 2014-2015

Night Ministry  
$3,000 for support of direct assistance to working mothers and their children

Subtotal $123,000
Fred B. Jones Fund
The following grants were made for support of direct assistance to people who need emergency relief services.

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Subtotal $215,000

Earling Working Mothers Fund
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ONE Northside scored a victory this year when the Chicago City Council approved an ordinance that will help preserve the city’s dwindling supply of single-room occupancy hotels, which have become the housing of last resort for low-income residents, including veterans, people with disabilities and senior citizens. The nonprofit received Trust funding to support its campaign to pass the Single Room Occupancy Preservation Ordinance. The new law makes it difficult for owners of SROs to easily evict their tenants and convert their properties to market-rate apartments. Photo courtesy of ONE Northside.

*Grants made from the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust*
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Precious Blood Ministry of Reconciliation
$5,000

SGA Youth & Family Services
$5,000

Su Casa Catholic Worker Community
Central American Martyrs Center
$3,000

Well of Mercy
$5,000

Subtotal $100,000

Public Policy Advocacy for the Social Safety Net

Access Living of Metropolitan Chicago
$75,000 for advocacy for people with disabilities

Chicago Coalition for the Homeless
$75,000 for advocacy on behalf of homeless people

Chicago Jobs Council
$100,000 for policy advocacy

Crossroads Fund
$75,000 for the Solidarity Fund

Equip for Equality
$50,000* for the blueprint for integrated disabled employment in Illinois

Greater Chicago Food Depository
$100,000 for advocacy for antihunger programs

Heartland Alliance for Human Needs & Human Rights
$100,000 for advocacy for the human safety net

Illinois Action For Children
$50,000 for advocacy on behalf of child care programs

Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights
$75,000 for general operating support

Illinois Hunger Coalition
$60,000 for advocacy programming

Illinois Partners for Human Service
$85,000 for general operating support

Latino Union of Chicago
$40,000 for work on behalf of domestic workers

Mujeres Latinas en Acción
$65,000 for advocacy on behalf of low-income Latinas

Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law
$150,000 for work on behalf of very low-income residents

Subtotal $1,250,000

Responsive - Housing and Safety Net

American Red Cross of Greater Chicago
$25,000 for replenishing local resources for our community’s needs as resources are redeployed in response to emergency needs in the Philippines

Subtotal $25,000

Violence Prevention and Justice System Reform

BUILD
$50,000* for the JISC Pilot Intervention Program

Cabrini Green Legal Aid
$60,000 for advocacy on ex-offender employment

Central States SER - Jobs for Progress
$50,000* for the JISC Pilot Intervention Program

Chicago Appleseed Fund for Justice
$60,000 for development of diversion courts

Chicago Cares
$25,000 for work with at-risk youth during the summer of 2013

American Red Cross of Greater Chicago
$25,000 for replenishing local resources for our community’s needs as resources are redeployed in response to emergency needs in the Philippines

Subtotal $25,000

Albany Park Neighborhood Council was awarded a grant from the Trust to support its Renters Advocating to Stay Project, which protects the rights of renters living in foreclosed apartment buildings. The project includes APNC going door to door to inform renters living in foreclosed apartment buildings of their rights with the new Keep Chicago Renting Ordinance. The law, which APNC and other Trust grant recipients helped push through the Chicago City Council last year, requires banks in Chicago that take over rental buildings following foreclosure to either act as landlords and let tenants stay in their homes or pay a relocation fee of $10,600 to each family they displace. Photo courtesy of Albany Park Neighborhood Council.
Enlace Chicago
$80,000* for the Little Village Safety Net and middle school interventions

Juvenile Justice Initiative
$75,000 for work to reduce incarceration of young offenders

Kleo Community Family Life Center
$100,000* for the city’s One Summer Chicago Plus program

Metropolis Strategies
$75,000 for advocacy on juvenile justice reform

Phalanx Family Services
$50,000* for the city’s One Summer Chicago Plus program

Presence Behavioral Health
$125,000 for work with the Cook County state’s attorney on prosecution diversion

Roger Baldwin Foundation of ACLU
$85,000 for litigation to assure minimum adequate health care for incarcerated people in Illinois

Safer Foundation
$65,000* for advocacy for ex-offenders in employment

SGA Youth & Family Services
$85,000* for violence prevention with youth

Smart Chicago
$130,000 for Expunge.io Plus

Sojourners
$25,000 for gun violence prevention

St. Sabina Employment Resource Center
$50,000* for the city’s One Summer Chicago Plus program

Umoja Student Development Corporation
$85,000 for the high school restorative-justice programming

University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health
$200,000 for CeaseFire Illinois

WestCare Illinois
$100,000 for justice-involved youth

Youth Guidance
$125,000* for youth violence-prevention programming

Subtotal $1,700,000

TOTAL COMPETITIVE HUMAN SERVICES GRANTS
$4,093,000

TOTAL COMPETITIVE HEALTH, HOUSING AND HUMAN SERVICES GRANTS
$14,921,266
CIVIC and CULTURAL VITALITY

To maintain its status as a leading global city — which in turn reinforces economic development — Chicago must invest in the strength of its arts and nonprofit sectors, seek to improve the relationships among its increasingly diverse population and institute good government practices.

The American Indian Center used its grant from the Trust to host its NEP60 Powwow Series, which featured Native American, Hawaiian and Filipino dance and music performances. Photo by Timothy Musho.
ARTS AND CULTURE

Artistic and Cultural Diversity

Americans for the Arts
$25,000 for ArtVenture Tours and artistic performances for arts professionals presented in the annual conference to be held in Chicago

Association for the Advancement of Creative Musicians
$25,000 for the celebration of its 50th Anniversary with a tribute concert series, “The Great Black Music Ensemble”

Auditorium Theatre of Roosevelt University
$40,000 for the Billy Strayhorn Festival

Black Ensemble Theatre Corporation
$25,000 for the International Theater Festival

Chicago Children’s Theatre
$30,000 for The Red Kite Touring Project to reach more children with autism in diverse geographic locations

Chicago Dramatists
$25,000 for the development and production of “The Mecca Tales” and related programs

Chicago Kids Company
$20,000 for support of two musical productions based on fairy tales

Chicago Theatre Group, Goodman Theatre
$50,000 for the Impact of an Icon, a citywide August Wilson celebration

Columbia College Chicago Center for Black Music Research
$20,000 for commissioned artists Mendi and Keith Obadike to create FREE/PHASE

Congo Square Theater Company
$25,000 for collaboration with the Goodman Theatre for a staged reading of “King Hedley II” as part of the Citywide August Wilson Festival

Deeply Rooted Productions
$25,000 for collaboration with Kalapriya to create and perform cross-cultural dance

DuSable Museum of African American History
$40,000 for Free At First: The Evolution and Legacy of AACM in partnership with AACM and other organizations

Field Museum of Natural History
$48,000 for collaboration with Chinese Theatre Works

Gilloury Institute Silk Road Rising
$40,000 for the presentation of “Mosque Alert” at 10 locations, including related collaborations

Governors State University Foundation
$25,000 for the Made in Chicago series

Honey Pot Performance
$10,000 for the presentation of “Juke Cry Hand Clap”

Hubbard Street Dance Chicago
$30,000 for the commissioned work of three culturally specific choreographers

Hyde Park Jazz Festival
$20,000 for collaboration with the Rebuild Foundation on the Dorchester Stories project

Joel Hall Dancers & Center
$25,000 for collaboration with the Auditorium Theatre for the Billy Strayhorn Festival

Kalapriya Foundation Center for Indian Performing Arts
$25,000 for collaboration with Deeply Rooted Dance Theater to create and perform cross-cultural dance in three neighborhoods

League of Chicago Theatres Foundation
$20,000 for collaboration with the Goodman Theatre to expand the Annual August Wilson Monologue Competition

MPAACT Maat Production Association of Afrikan Centered Theatre
$10,000 for collaboration with the Goodman Theatre to produce a staged reading of “Joe Turner’s Come and Gone” at the Beverly Arts Center

Music Institute of Chicago
$50,000 for the Institute for Therapy through the Arts

National Museum of Mexican Art
$15,000 for a portion of the Community Cultural Transformation year-long collaboration with the Old Town School of Folk Music

National Parks Conservation Association
$25,000 for community engagement and advocacy programs related to the designation of the Pullman area as Chicago’s first national park

Natya Dance Theatre
$25,000 for the Reach Out and Connect performance series

Northlight Theatre
$20,000 for the production of “Charm”

Old Town School of Folk Music
$15,000 for a portion of the Community Cultural Transformation year-long collaboration with the National Museum of Mexican Art

Preservation of Affordable Housing
$35,000 for the creation and launch of Voices Park in collaboration with Revival Arts Collective

Puerto Rican Arts Alliance
$20,000 for the Al Compas del Cuatro music performance at the Harris Theater

The Trust awarded a grant to Muntu Dance Theatre to perform at the Nathan Manilow Theatre in Park Forest in order to expand the dance company’s presence in the south suburbs of Chicago. Muntu performs authentic and progressive interpretations of African and African-American dance, music, and folklore. Photo by Mark Campbell.
Quad Communities Development Corporation  
$40,000 for the enhancement of “Bronzeville Nights” with stronger artistic curation marketing and use of public spaces in fall 2015

Rebuild Foundation  
$20,000 for the Dorchester Stories project in collaboration with the Hyde Park Jazz Festival

Red Clay Dance Company  
$15,000 for the “La Femme” production

Subtotal $883,000

**Arts Learning**

Barrel of Monkeys Productions  
$40,000 for arts learning programs

Better Boys Foundation  
$50,000 for participation in the Arts Infusion Initiative

Cerqua Rivera Dance Theatre  
$35,000 for participation in the Arts Infusion Initiative at Rudy Lozano Leadership Academy Alternative High School

Changing Worlds  
$50,000 for arts learning programs

Chicago Children’s Choir  
$40,000 for arts learning programs

Chicago Lights  
$50,000 for participation in the Arts Infusion Initiative

Free Spirit Media  
$25,000 for the assessment and data compilation work of Arnold April as part of the Arts Infusion Initiative

Free Street Programs  
$25,000 for participation in the Arts Infusion Initiative

Hyde Park Art Center  
$50,000 for arts learning programs

Jazz Institute of Chicago  
$60,000 for The Chicago Community Trust Young Jazz Lions Stage at the 2014 Chicago Jazz Fest

Joffrey Ballet of Chicago  
$50,000 for the Middle School Dance Clubs and the Lemonis Bridges Programs

Latinos Progresando  
$10,000 for the participation of Teatro Americano in the Arts Infusion Initiative

Literature for All of Us  
$40,000 for participation in the Arts Infusion programs

Little Kids Rock  
$20,000 for arts learning programs

Marwen Foundation  
$40,000 for arts learning programs

Subtotal $909,000

**SMART Growth**

The following grants were made for participation in the SMART Growth Program.

16th Street Theater  
$25,000

About Face Theatre Collective  
$40,000

Aguijon Theater Company of Chicago  
$30,000

Archi-Treasures Association  
$30,000

Baroque Band  
$35,000

Chicago Artists’ Coalition  
$35,000

Chicago Dancing Company  
$40,000

Chicago Jazz Philharmonic  
$50,000

Chinese Fine Arts Society  
$20,000

Clinard Dance Theatre  
$15,000

Contratiempo  
$20,000

DanceWorks Chicago  
$40,000

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<td>Links Hall Incorporated</td>
<td>$25,000  for “Elements of Voguing” to raise the profile and expand the capacity of the voguing genre in Chicago</td>
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The Trust supported the Just Pay for All Coalition to tackle the growing epidemic of wage theft, in which businesses fail to pay employees for work completed or pay them substantially reduced wages. This problem typically affects low-wage, low-skilled and language-challenged workers. Formed by the Latino Union of Chicago, Chicago Workers Collaborative, Centro de Trabajadores Unidos: Immigrant Workers Project and Working Hands Legal Clinic, the Just Pay for All Coalition used its grant from the Trust to help workers recover unpaid wages, provide training and education that help workers combat workplace discrimination and unpaid compensation, and publish a research study on the state of wage-theft prevention and recovery in Illinois. Photo courtesy of the Latino Union of Chicago.
Loyola University Chicago
$90,000 for capacity building and professional development to teaching artists in the Arts Infusion Initiative

Subtotal $497,000

Responsive - Arts

The Chicago Community Foundation
$250,000 for the Arts Work Fund
$22,400 for Smart Chicago Collaborative work with Greater Good Studio to design a digital directory for youth in detention facilities

Collector’s Club of Chicago
$11,300 for publication costs of Postage Due - The United States Postage Due Essays, Proofs and Specimens, 1879-1986

Kohl Children’s Museum of Greater Chicago
$20,000 for design and development of Beyond Boundaries exhibit

Subtotal $303,700

TOTAL COMPETITIVE ARTS AND CULTURE GRANTS
$3,592,700

CIVIC VITALITY

Strengthen Nonprofit Performance and Public Sector Governance

Ada S. McKinley Community Services
$70,500 for purchasing consulting services for merger planning of multiple organizations
$150,000 for the administrative partnership of four African-American-led organizations to increase efficiency and resource development

AIDS Legal Council of Chicago
$30,000 for transition costs of acquiring selected projects from Health and Disability Advocates

Association of Fundraising Professionals Chicago Chapter
$20,000 for the 2014 Annual Association of Fundraising Professionals luncheon

Axelson Center for Nonprofit Management
$10,000 for the Axelson Center’s 15th Annual Symposium for Nonprofit Professionals and Volunteers in Chicago

Better Government Association
$25,000 for strategic planning

Bright Promises Foundation
$2,500 for the fall 2013 awards event

Chicago American Indian Community Collaborative
$70,000 for the resource development collaboration

Chicago Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights Under Law
$50,000 for sustainability of nonprofit organizations

Chicago Legal Advocacy for Incarcerated Mothers
$35,000 for a merger with Cabrini Green Legal Aid

Chicago Reporter Community Renewal Society
$15,000 for general operating support to plan and implement the new strategic vision for The Chicago Reporter

Civic Federation
$25,000 for the local government pension primer

Council on Foundations
$45,000 for general operating support

Donors Forum
$25,000 for the 40th anniversary event
$35,000 for services for nonprofits and private philanthropy

Executive Service Corps of Chicago
$50,000* for general operating support

First Defense Legal Aid
$25,000 for a part-time fund development assistant

Foundation Center
$7,500 for general operating support

Illinois Campaign for Political Reform
$25,000 for a part-time communications director

Independent Sector
$15,000 for general operating support

Just the Beginning Foundation
$20,000 for the fundraising initiative with Fortune 500 corporations

Lawrence Hall Youth Services
$50,000 for the assumption of Larkin Center child welfare contracts

Lester and Rosalie Anixter Center
$40,000* for the redevelopment of its e-commerce platform

Local Initiatives Support Corporation
LISC Chicago
$25,000 for the 21st Annual Chicago Neighborhood Development Awards and, specifically, The Chicago Community Trust Outstanding Community Strategy of the Year award

Lumity
$60,000* for the technology assistance to nonprofits

Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois
$22,750 for the major donor engagement program

Metropolitan Family Services
$67,000* for the social enterprise and social media fundraising initiatives

Taproot
$50,000* for the management support for nonprofits and small businesses in low-income neighborhoods

Young Nonprofit Professionals Network Chicago
$2,500 for the 2013 Nonprofit Professional Award program

YWCA of Metropolitan Chicago
$80,000 for the digital membership engagement

Subtotal $1,147,750

Leadership Development

Cabrini Green Legal Aid
$30,000 for The Chicago Community Trust Fellowship awarded to Beth Johnson

*Grants made from the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust

The Trust supported the Illinois Campaign for Political Reform, a nonpartisan public interest group that conducts research, advocates reforms to promote public participation in government, addresses the role of money in politics, and encourages integrity, accountability and transparency in government. Photo courtesy of the Illinois Campaign for Political Reform.
COMPETITIVE CIVIC AND CULTURAL VITALITY GRANTS

Center for Economic Progress
$60,000 for The Chicago Community Trust Fellowship awarded to David Marzahl

CFLeads
$5,000 for general operating support

Chicago Cares
$25,000 for the One Summer Chicago program

The Chicago Community Foundation
$50,000 for the Financial Services Pipeline Initiative

Chicago Foundation for Women
$25,000 for Cultivate, women of color mentorship program
$100,000* for the three-year women’s agenda campaign

Chicago Urban League
$75,000 for the launch of the African American Leadership Development Program

First Defense Legal Aid
$30,000 for The Chicago Community Trust Fellowship awarded to Eliza Solowiej

Howard Brown Health Center
$59,982 for The Chicago Community Trust Fellowship awarded to David Ernesto Munar

LAF
$30,000 for The Chicago Community Trust Fellowship awarded to Miguel Gutierrez Keberlein

Latino Policy Forum
$100,000 for general operating support

Leadership Greater Chicago
$12,500 for the fellows program and ongoing educational programming
$75,000 for general operating support

League of Black Women Organization
$73,000 for the black women’s diversity certification program

Mercy Housing Lakefront
$60,000 for The Chicago Community Trust Fellowship awarded to Cindy Holler

Nonprofit Leadership Alliance
$10,000 for the Alliance Management Institute held in Chicago on Jan. 5-8, 2014

Root Cause
$25,000 for exploring and establishing a Leadership & Sustainability Institute for Black Male Achievement in Chicago

University of Chicago Office of Civic Engagement
$300,000* for the start-up of the Civic Leadership Academy

University of Illinois at Chicago College of Urban Planning
$25,000 for the Local Leadership Development Program Scan

Subtotal $1,170,482

Human Relations
The Chicago Community Foundation
$75,000 for The DREAMERS Fund
$50,000 for the Illinois Business Immigration Coalition Fund
$150,000 for providing assistance to undocumented youth through The DREAMERS Fund

Council on Foundations
$25,000 for the convening of the Lansdowne Group, a collaboration to build a national cross-sector leadership group committed to increasing the employment of people with disabilities

Disability Pride Parade Association
$25,000 for general operating support

Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights
$150,000 for continued work on comprehensive immigration reform and service delivery system design

Latinos Progresando
$5,000 for MEX Talks, a one-day speaker series highlighting the state of Mexicans in Chicago

Seminary Consortium for Urban Pastoral Education
$25,000 for the Together, Building a Just Economy conference in Chicago

Subtotal $505,000

Ensure Policy Makers and Residents are Informed and Engaged

Living Cities
$100,000 for a loan for the development of the Illinois Pay for Success Initiative for justice-involved, state-supported youth

Subtotal $100,000

Sun-Times Matching Grant Program
The following grants were awarded for general operating support.

Academy for Urban School Leadership
$15,000

Access Living of Metropolitan Chicago
$12,500

Adler Planetarium
$5,000

After School Matters
$12,500

Alivio Medical Center
$5,000

American Jewish Committee
$25,000

American Red Cross of Greater Chicago
$25,000

Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago Foundation
$5,000

Anti-Defamation League
$12,500

Art Institute of Chicago
$15,000

Arts Alliance Illinois
$2,500

Barbara Bates Foundation
$2,500

A Better Chicago
$5,000

Better Government Association
$12,500

Big Shoulders Fund
$25,000

Boys and Girls Clubs of Chicago
$25,000

Lumity was awarded a grant from the Trust to offer low-cost technology training to nonprofits. Its training sessions cover topics such as financial software, social media, data migration and website design. Photo courtesy of Lumity.
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**Subtotal** $757,500

**Special Initiatives**

- The Chicago Community Foundation
  - $200,000 for general operations and grant making by the African American Legacy Board of Advisors
  - $200,000 for general operations and grant making by the Nuestro Futuro Steering Committee
- The Community Foundation of Will County
  - $200,000 for general operating support and grant making
- The Lake County Community Foundation
  - $275,000 for general operating support and grant making

**Subtotal** $875,000

**TOTAL COMPETITIVE CIVIC VITALITY GRANTS**

$4,555,732

**TOTAL COMPETITIVE CIVIC AND CULTURAL VITALITY GRANTS**

$8,148,432

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*Grants made from the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust*
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

In a time of environmental challenges and increasing global competition for resources, The Chicago Community Trust invests in sustainable development strategies, including living in balance with the natural environment, reducing energy use, developing clean energy resources, promoting water conservation and adapting to climate change.

The Trust supported several projects that invest in rail transportation in Chicago and the suburbs in order to improve access to jobs, promote reinvestment in surrounding communities and reduce the cost of living. Photo by Jim Watkins (Flickr user phototravel1/JimWatkins).
The Trust is leading “Chicago Neighborhoods 2014: Assets, Past Plans and Trends,” a research project analyzing Chicago’s built environment — infrastructure, natural features, institutional assets and other physical elements that influence the city’s musculature. The project organizes the city into 16 geographically defined investment areas bound by major roadways, watercourses and rail lines. The project will result in 16 place-based analyses covering the entirety of the city that can help identify where the built environment contributes to local prosperity and where additional investment is needed. Image courtesy of the City of Chicago.

The City of Blue Island used its grant from the Trust to investigate the feasibility of developing the Blue Island Intercollegiate Rowing Center and Marina, a recreational and competitive rowing facility with the potential to attract rowers from across the nation. If successful, the project will help stimulate economic development while maintaining the biodiversity of the Millennium Reserve, a 220-square mile section of the southern part of the Chicago region that has a strong industrial and cultural heritage and rich ecological diversity. The Trust is playing a leadership role in developing the Millennium Reserve by working with other civic, business, philanthropic and government organizations to implement projects that will transform this largely disinvested area into a public destination. Photo courtesy of the City of Blue Island.

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<td>Bishop Arthur M. Brazier Foundation</td>
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<td>Black Metropolis National Heritage Area Commission</td>
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<td>Enlace Chicago</td>
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<td>Enterprise Community Partners</td>
<td>$75,000* for the Southland Transit-Oriented Development Initiative</td>
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<td>Global Philanthropy Partnership</td>
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<td>Hispanic Housing Development Corporation</td>
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<td>Center for Neighborhood Technology</td>
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<td>Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning</td>
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<td>City of Blue Island</td>
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<td>Metropolitan Mayors Caucus</td>
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<td>National Fish and Wildlife Foundation</td>
<td>$75,000* for year 2 of the Chi-Cal Rivers Fund</td>
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### Openlands Project
- $125,000* for Forest Preserves of Cook County: Implementing the Next Century Conservation Plan

### U.S. Green Building Council - Illinois Chapter
- $100,000* for the Chicago Energy Benchmarking Initiative

*Subtotal $1,425,000

### Food:Land:Opportunity Initiative

#### Angelic Organics Learning Center
- $75,000* for the Urban Farm Enterprise Pathways Project: Community and Farmer Preparation
- $75,000* for the Consortium of Chicago Foodshed Growers Networks

#### FamilyFarmed.org
- $125,000* for the Good Food Accelerator

#### Liberty Prairie Foundation
- $500,000* for the Land Access Pilot Project

#### NeighborSpace
- $75,000* for the Urban Farm Enterprise Pathways Project: Land Tenure

#### New Venture Fund
- $90,000* for the Fresh Taste Food System Funders Initiative

#### Openlands Project
- $170,000* for the Regional Food System Study: Phase 1

*Subtotal $1,110,000

## TOTAL COMPETITIVE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GRANTS
$3,235,000

*Grants made from the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust

With Trust support, the Environmental Law and Policy Center of the Midwest is working to advance the use of solar power in the Chicago region. Photo by Elena Eliseeva/Shutterstock.com.

The Trust awarded a grant to the Delta Institute to study how 20 Cook County municipalities are disposing of waste. One of the long-term goals of the project is to find ways to double the county’s recycling rate to 50 percent and build an economy for recycling and materials reuse. Photo by iStockPhoto.
The demand for local, sustainable food continues to grow in metropolitan Chicago. After all, such food not only benefits the health of residents, but also strengthens the economy and preserves the region’s natural resources. That’s why the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust recently launched and funded Food:Land:Opportunity – Localizing the Chicago Foodshed, a new systematic approach to strengthening and boosting the region’s supply of local and sustainable food.

A partnership between Kinship Foundation, which is the private operating foundation that supports the Searle family’s philanthropy, and the Trust, Food:Land:Opportunity will award $2 million annually over the next two years to local food projects that spur innovation in the food-system supply chain. The initiative seeks to increase access to farm land for sustainable production, enhance the business skills of food entrepreneurs and attract capital to strengthen the region’s food system.

Food:Land:Opportunity keeps in line with the Searle family’s goals to improve environmental stewardship throughout the region and position metropolitan Chicago as an engine for economic development and growth. That, in turn, will help make the region a leader in the movement for sustainable, local food.

“Food is a natural connector, and local, sustainable food inextricably connects land to the livelihoods of Chicagoans. This convergence of conservation impacts and economic development drove us to create the Food:Land:Opportunity initiative,” says Karie Thomson, a Searle family consultant to the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust. “Aimed at both conserving natural resources and stimulating market innovation, this initiative represents an exciting new chapter in grant making done through the Searle funds.”

START-UP SUPPORT

FamilyFarmed, an Oak Park-based nonprofit dedicated to expanding the market for locally grown food, was awarded the first grant from Food:Land:Opportunity in March 2014. FamilyFarmed is using its $125,000 grant to support its Good Food Business Accelerator project. This six-month fellowship program is the first of its kind in Chicago aimed at grooming the next generation of local and sustainable food entrepreneurs. They include the food artisan with the perfect recipes, but is in need of a business plan; the local farmer who has mapped out a business strategy, but needs help implementing it; and investors who need to be matched up with the right business opportunities in the marketplace. The intensive program will offer its eight fellows access to training and mentoring from more than 100 business leaders. They also will be connected to a community of investors, including venture capitalists and lenders, as well as potential customers.

“‘There’s a large community of local entrepreneurs—be it the farmer, food artisan or food technology business owner—who wants to produce good food, but they just need help with scaling up that business,” says Jim Slama, president of FamilyFarmed. “The accelerator is the place to make that happen.”
PERFECT TIMING

The Food:Land:Opportunity initiative comes at the most pertinent time when the nation — as well as the Chicago region — is experiencing a dramatic shift in its food system. Nationwide, the number of farmers markets has more than quadrupled to 8,144 markets in 2013 from 1,755 in 1994, based on U.S. Department of Agriculture figures. Consumers are stocking up on organic food items, resulting in a $30 billion industry, according to the Nutrition Business Journal.

At the same time and somewhat counterintuitively, there’s been a steady decline in farm land that could be used to harvest crops throughout the region, with Cook County showing the biggest loss of nearly 81 percent as of 2007, according to the U.S.D.A.’s National Agricultural Statistics Service.

SUSTAINABLE LAND EXPANSION

Food:Land:Opportunity intends to bolster farmers’ access to land to harvest sustainable foods. Most of the land acres in Illinois have rich soil, but they have been converted for commercial, industrial and residential developments.

“We do have viable small farms, but the biggest challenge they face in terms of expanding is access to land for that expansion,” says Brad Leibov, president and CEO at Grayslake-based Liberty Prairie Foundation, which received a $500,000 grant through the initiative to address that issue.

Food:Land:Opportunity is working in partnership with Openlands, one of the oldest metropolitan conservation organizations in the nation, to create a plan that will help farmers navigate through the many issues they face when it comes to obtaining land, such as leasing agreements, zoning, municipal codes and land protections.

“We’re trying to determine what the real barriers are to make sure that local farmers are viable in the Chicago region,” says Lenore Beyer-Clow, policy director at Openlands, which is also overseeing a regional food study for Food:Land: Opportunity.

URBAN HARVESTS

While farm land in the outskirts of the metropolitan area has dwindled, many local organizations and some small farmers have started up urban farms in vacant lots in Chicago. Through a partnership among the City of Chicago, neighborhood organizations, local businesses and residents, the Green Healthy Neighborhoods Land Use Plan was adopted early in 2014 to maximize the use of vacant lots within Chicago’s Englewood neighborhood and other surrounding communities. Supporting urban agriculture is a key part of the 10-to-20-year plan.

Food:Land:Opportunity has built on those efforts by awarding $150,000 in grants to Chicago-based NeighborSpace and Caledonia-based Angelic Organics Learning Center. The funding will go towards developing a business infrastructure that will provide resources and support for urban farmers — and most of all, catapult these burgeoning farm lands forward.

“Food:Land:Opportunity initiative opens the doorway for entrepreneurs to really bring their businesses to scale,” says Ben Helphand, executive director of NeighborSpace, Chicago’s only nonprofit urban land trust that preserves gardens on behalf of dedicated community groups.

GAME CHANGER

By strategically supporting new and existing projects that enhance the food supply chain, Food:Land:Opportunity intends to change the landscape of the food industry, prepare the region to respond to the increased demand for local, sustainable food, and pave the way for metropolitan Chicago to become a national leader in local food production.

“It’s important that a community foundation like the Trust and the Searle funds have made this commitment over time to work on the local food system because it’s an emerging area for the region,” says Karen Lehman, director of Fresh Taste, a funder collaborative that seeks to strengthen the local food system in the Chicago region. Both the Trust and Kinship Foundation participate in the collaborative.

Leibov agrees: “The initiative is potentially a game changer for the region. The commitment of the Searle family and the Trust leverages the investment that the philanthropic community has made over the last two decades, and it allows for a scaling of efforts that hasn’t been seen before.”
GRANTS made from the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust

For more than 40 years, the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust has been an integral part of the Trust and its grant making. These funds support research in medicine, chemistry and biological science; scientific and educational activities in health; economic development; the environment; and education.

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Angelic Organics Learning Center
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Asian Human Services Family Health Center
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Boys and Girls Clubs of Chicago
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Chicago Foundation for Women
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The Chinese American Service League used its grant from the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust to support its Adult Employment Program, which provides new immigrants with the knowledge and skills they need to obtain jobs in various fields, including the food service industry. CASL intends to help at least 178 clients obtain permanent employment by 2015. Photo courtesy of the Chinese American Service League.
Searle Scholars

The Searle Scholars Program was designed and created by the Searle family in 1980 to nurture creative talent in scientific research. Since its inception, the program has been supported by the charitable lead trusts established under the wills of John G. and Francis C. Searle, which support research in medicine, chemistry and biological science.

The family selected The Chicago Community Trust as the organization to which it would make distributions from the Searle Family Trust to support the Searle Scholars Program. Approximately 15 percent of the funds come from the Searle Funds at The Chicago Community Trust. The other 85 percent of the funds come from the annual grants recommended by Searle family representatives and approved by the trustees of the Searle family trusts.

The Searle Scholars Program is administered by a distinguished scientist selected by the Searle family. He appoints an advisory board of eminent scientists who choose the Searle Scholars based on rigorous standards aimed at finding the most creative talent interested in pursuing academic research careers.

Since the program began in 1980, 542 Searle Scholars have been named. Approximately 10 percent have been inducted into the National Academy of Sciences. Fifteen Searle Scholars have been recognized with the MacArthur Fellowship, known as the “genius grant.” And a Searle Scholar has even been awarded the Nobel Prize for Chemistry.

The 2014 scholars and their institutions are listed below. Each institution will receive $300,000 over three years in research support for each Searle Scholar. The total amount awarded this year was $4.5 million, which brings the value of all awards since 1980 to more than $115 million.

To learn more about the Searle Scholars and their research projects, please visit www.searlescholars.net.

2014 SEARLE SCHOLARS AND SPONSORING INSTITUTIONS

Janelle S. Ayres
Salk Institute for Biological Studies

Brenda L. Bloodgood
University of California at San Diego

Amie K. Boal
Pennsylvania State University

Irene A. Chen
University of California at Santa Barbara

Kwanghun Chung
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Damon A. Clark
Yale University

James S. Fraser
University of California at San Francisco

Mitchell Guttman
California Institute of Technology

Daniel F. Jarosz
Stanford University

Gabriel C. Lander
Scripps Research Institute

Kirk Lohmueller
University of California at Los Angeles

Mohammad R. Seyedsayamdost
Princeton University

Matthew Simon
Yale University

Sarah A. Stanley
University of California at Berkeley

Hani Zaher
Washington University
Community CHAMPION

María Bechily served on The Chicago Community Trust’s Executive Committee from 2004–2014, helping to foster diversity and inclusion in the Trust’s grant making. Photo by Chris Kirzeder.
María Bechily is keenly aware of how philanthropy can transform lives. In 1961, she immigrated to Chicago from Cuba when she was 12 as part of Operation Peter Pan, the Catholic Church program that brought 14,000 Cuban children to the United States. It sought to protect the children of parents who opposed Fidel Castro. Bechily ended up in a foster home in Chicago separate from her brothers and couldn’t speak English. But her social worker from Catholic Charities and foster family were a source of comfort and support to her as she acclimated to a new country and waited to reunite with her parents two years later.

That life-changing experience sparked her passion for giving back. Today Bechily is one of metropolitan Chicago’s most ardent philanthropic leaders, partnering with The Chicago Community Trust to foster grant making that supports diversity and inclusion.

**EMBRACING DIVERSITY**

Bechily began working with the Trust in 2004 when she joined the Executive Committee, the Trust’s governing board. During her 10 years on the board, Bechily was proud of how the Trust responded to the needs of the growing minority populations in the Chicago region. “The Trust leads by example, and one of the Trust’s great values is diversity and inclusion,” says Bechily, a retired public relations consultant who founded one of the first public relations firms that targeted Latinos in Chicago.

During Bechily’s tenure on the Executive Committee, the board reinforced the Trust’s commitment to diversity and inclusion. The Trust created its diversity statement, which emphasizes that the region’s strengths are found in its differences and that the Trust strives to integrate diversity in its work. The Executive Committee also gave more weight to the diversity of a nonprofit’s board and staff when evaluating grant applications. In addition, the Trust encouraged large nonprofits to partner with small nonprofits to effectively reach specific demographics and communities. And the Trust helped create identity-focused funds to promote collective philanthropy for diverse communities in the Chicago region. Today the Trust has seven identity-focused funds, including Nuestro Futuro, which seeks to improve the quality of life for Latinos in the Chicago region.

**STRENGTHENING LATINO COMMUNITIES**

Bechily and fellow Executive Committee members Marty Castro, Adela Cepeda and Virginia Ojeda founded Nuestro Futuro in 2004 to inspire donors to work together to make a difference in the lives of Latinos, the fastest growing minority group in Illinois. “The ultimate beauty of Nuestro Futuro is the power of collective philanthropy at work,” says Bechily, who serves as co-chair of the fund. “Whatever gift I can make is leveraged by pooling my resources with other like-minded people.”

Nuestro Futuro reaps the benefits of the Trust’s resources as well. The group works with the Trust’s program officers to vet nonprofits that apply for grants. The Trust’s financial advisors manage Nuestro Futuro’s fund, helping it to grow to about $3.5 million. And the Trust’s reputation as a trusted philanthropic force in Chicago for nearly 100 years has helped Nuestro Futuro with recruiting members and fundraising.

Since 2004, Nuestro Futuro has awarded about $1.8 million in grants to 57 nonprofits in Chicago and the suburbs. In recent years, it has mainly supported nonprofits that provide early childhood education as well as basic human needs.

**MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

Bechily’s philanthropy also extends beyond the Trust. She supports more than 50 nonprofits in the region that empower women, girls and immigrants as well as those in the arts, education and health care. One of her most satisfying achievements includes co-chairing the capital campaign that raised more than $200 million to build the new Prentice Women’s Hospital.

Despite her vast philanthropic experiences, Bechily says her tenure on the Trust’s Executive Committee gave her new insight into innovative and strategic philanthropy that delivers impact. “I loved my time at the Trust. It was the highlight of my philanthropic career,” Bechily says. “It should be the highlight of everyone’s philanthropic and civic involvement in Chicago.”
CANDID CONVERSATIONS

Thousands of residents gather together to address some of the most important issues facing the Chicago region.

How do we build a better tomorrow for those of us who call metropolitan Chicago home? We start by listening. During a single day at over 1,100 mealtime conversations, more than 11,500 of our fellow residents shared their ideas to improve life in our region. This event we called On the Table was held on May 12, 2014, to recognize the Trust’s 99th anniversary and pay tribute to the civic spirit that led to its founding. The result: On the Table gave voice to the big ideas of residents who engaged in candid discussions and shared their passion to build and sustain strong communities.

“On the Table is a defining moment for the Trust,” says Frank M. Clark, chairman of the Trust’s Executive Committee. “The input we receive can shape the future direction of the Trust and the region for at least the next decade.”

Lively conversations took place in dining rooms, backyards, cafes, churches and community centers. Some were among friends, while many were strangers to one another. But they all came together to talk about the issues vital to improving the quality of life in the region.

Many discussions centered on how to improve the educational system and encourage community engagement and collaboration. While there were no easy solutions to resolve the issues, participants offered several promising suggestions. One idea focused on lengthening high school to five years for those students who need the extra time to graduate with heightened opportunity for success. Another recommended that manufacturers adopt a “Made in Chicago” label and build this brand as an emblem of excellence for the region.

In addition, more than 8,500 conversations transpired on social media, with On the Table trending on Twitter. Social media users discussed various topics online, including how to mitigate the foreclosure crisis, improve access to culturally competent health care and spur volunteerism.

ONGOING COLLABORATION

The Trust received nearly 1,000 ideas from On the Table. After reviewing all of the ideas, the Trust chose 25 for further consideration. A selection committee that included civic and business leaders whittled those ideas down to six to refine and develop:

• **Asset Mapping:** Develop a digital platform to connect community needs with nonprofits and government services.

• **The GenG Project:** Connect youth to opportunities in the sustainability and green industries.

• **Opportunity Hubs:** Revitalize vacant properties to create innovation hubs in underserved communities.

• **Parent Engagement Road Map:** Empower parents to improve their neighborhood schools.

• **Sister Neighborhoods:** Facilitate cultural awareness and break down barriers between communities.

• **Where is Your Bench?:** Create a campaign to establish safe spaces where people can gather and get to know each other.

The Trust has already begun stewarding these ideas into action in lab sessions called collaboratories, which debuted at Chicago Ideas Week Oct. 13-19, 2014. Nearly 200 residents participated in the collaboratories at Chicago Ideas Week, weighing in on how to advance these six ideas. The collaboratories are further honing these ideas over the course of the fall and winter. Six working groups of On the Table participants are collaborating with the innovation firms Doblin, Gravity Tank, Greater Good Studio and IDEO to develop sustainable plans. In April 2015, the teams will pitch their proposals to a panel of investors and influencers to secure support for the implementation of their ideas.

UP FOR DISCUSSION

In addition to the powerful ideas that emerged from On the Table, the event illuminated the passion and commitment of the region’s residents. For example, Clark hosted a lunch for nine guests, ranging from corporate executives to a teacher. They discussed a host of topics, including the state of the city’s economy and the role of the Trust in advocating for change. “With the level of concern and depth of feelings some of the participants expressed, it meant a lot to see how much everyone cared about the problems facing Chicago,” Clark says.

Denise Gardner, chair of the African American Legacy, an identity-focused fund at the Trust, hosted a dinner for 140 members and friends of AAL. They discussed how to reduce and prevent violence in the city. AAL leveraged those fruitful conversations into a summit it held on Nov. 1, 2014, addressing youth violence in the African-American community. “Everyone came with a different perspective, depending on their own personal life experiences,” Gardner says of On the Table. “That was one of the great parts of this discussion. It yielded a broad range of perspectives.”

The Trust would like to thank Carole L. Brown and Leslie Bluhm for co-chairing On the Table. Their leadership was invaluable in making this event a success.

To learn more about the ideas from On the Table, read the report at www.onthetablereport.com.
Sol Flores, executive director of La Casa Norte and a 2010 Chicago Community Trust fellow, attended an On the Table breakfast at RL Restaurant, where the guests at her table brainstormed about how to help people find jobs and affordable housing and how to address the economic and social inequities in the region. “The folks I sat with were fantastic, and the conversation was so engaging,” Flores says. “No shrinking violets at all. Everyone contributed, asked good questions and posed opinions.” Photo by Jon Shaft.

Maria Bechily (center), co-chair of Nuestro Futuro, an identity-focused fund at the Trust, hosted a dinner, where guests, including Purva Sule of BMO Harris (l.) and Juan Salgado of Instituto del Progreso Latino, discussed how to engage younger Latinos in philanthropy. “It was a great setting to allow us to think big,” Bechily says. Photo by Laura Witherow.

Mayor Rahm Emanuel attended an On the Table breakfast at Christian Fenger High School, where Principal Liz Dozier (l.), half a dozen Fenger students and community leaders talked about the school’s successful “Keep Students In” policy. Teachers and administrators work to keep students in class and engaged through innovative practices like restorative justice and peace circles while also focusing on each student’s academic needs. The students also praised nonprofits like One Goal, Urban Alliance and Mikva Challenge for connecting them with positive role models. Photo by LKM Photography.

Frank Clark (second from l.), chairman of the Trust’s Executive Committee, hosted an On the Table luncheon at the Metropolitan Club in the Willis Tower. His guests covered a variety of topics, including the state of Chicago’s economy and education. Photo by John White.

The Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights hosted a breakfast at Nuevo Leon restaurant in Pilsen for 25 representatives of political reform organizations, youth and LGBT groups, day laborer support networks, unions and faith-based initiatives to discuss how to empower Chicago’s immigrant communities. They stressed the importance of collaboration and building coalitions to pass immigration reform laws and help immigrants on the path to citizenship. Photo by Timothy Musho.
Marguerite Griffin (center), senior vice president and national director of philanthropic services at Northern Trust, hosted a lunch at Northern Trust for 15 people. Their conversation focused on how partnerships among private businesses, local government and communities can improve the quality of life in the region. “The conversation was rich and so interesting,” Griffin says. “I wish we could do this more often.” Photo by Laura Witherow.

President and CEO Terry Mazany (r.) attended his first of five On the Table events at Mather’s Café for breakfast with 10 community leaders. They spoke about how the Trust can help nonprofits improve their operations and leverage each other’s strengths and resources. Photo by John White.

Jada Russell, founder of High Style Marketing & PR, and her husband, Julius Russell, executive chef of A Tale of Two Chefs, hosted 17 guests at their On the Table dinner at the University of Chicago. They discussed how to position Chicago as a world-class city that can compete on the global stage. “Our primary focus was the future of Chicago, and an important part of the conversation examined the city’s global presence,” Jada Russell says. “Having guests that hail from Australia, Ghana and Trinidad helped shape that dialogue.” From l: Adam Heenan, Heather Ireland Robinson, David Byrd, Jada Russell, Dr. Byron T. Brazier, Latice Nicholson, Monika Simmons, Maestro Walker, Nick Nicholson, Erika Simmons and Cherie Jackson. Photo by Jon Shaft.

Starting Strong in Illinois, a group convened by the Trust and other funders and partners to help implement the Affordable Care Act, kicked off its On the Table event with a power walk before heading to the Shriver Center for lunch to discuss health care reform. Photo by Jon Shaft.

Trust donor Rhonda Kodjayan (r.) attended the Youth Ambassador Event, an On the Table event that drew students from across metropolitan Chicago to the Chicago Cultural Center. The students at her table talked about student safety as a shared community responsibility. They emphasized that safety involves parents being aware of where their children are at all times, schools providing secure learning environments, and community collaboration with neighborhood groups and the police. “These young people were so bright and well-spoken,” Kodjayan says. “It was a pleasure to spend the afternoon with them.” Photo by John White.

Trust donor Mary Pattillo helped moderate the conversations that took place at the On the Table dinner hosted by Denise Gardner of the African American Legacy, an identity-focused fund at the Trust. The 140 guests at the Casino Club tackled the topic of violence in the African-American community. They discussed solutions such as allocating resources like gyms and libraries to underserved schools, increasing access to preventive health care services, and instituting peace circles, in which students recreate problematic situations and find ways to solve them. Photo by Preston Thomas.
Alex Levesque created the Automotive Mentoring Group in 2007 to help at-risk youth escape gang violence by teaching them the art of restoring classic muscle cars. Photo by Bruce Powell.
Laura Mendez has recently gained an appreciation for classic American muscle cars like the ’66 Chevy Impala and ’69 Ford Mustang. Her new interest in these vintage automobiles known for their aggressive power and style is not just a hobby for the 20-year-old. It has been a life-changing experience that has helped her escape gang life, rebuild her relationship with her father and set her on a new path for a better future.

Mendez credits the Automotive Mentoring Group for her new lease on life. AMG is a nonprofit supported by The Chicago Community Trust that mentors young men and women like Mendez who have fallen into gang violence by teaching them the art of restoring muscle cars and motorcycles from the midcentury.

“I’ve learned so much about myself,” says Mendez, who joined the Bedford Park, Ill.-based program in the summer. “This is therapy for me because it helps me sort out my problems from the past and present.”

UNDER THE HOOD

Mendez is one of 25 participants in the AMG program. Seven mentors, which include school teachers, police officers and firefighters, volunteer to teach them auto-mechanic and body-work skills. The students in the program learn how to deconstruct and rebuild a car from the outer body frame to the engine. They are also taught the basics of finishing a car, including designing and sewing upholstery, installing canvas tops and carpets, and painting. In addition, their mentors teach them life and job-readiness skills, such as how to be on time, how to work with others, decision-making and customer service.

“It’s all hands-on experience in the shops as well as in our classrooms,” says Alex Levesque, who founded AMG in 2007 after seeing the growing tide of gang violence in Chicago.

AMG has helped more than 300 young men and women turn their lives around since it opened. When they complete the six-month program, AMG helps them earn their high school diplomas and enroll in colleges as well as obtain jobs or apprenticeships in the automotive industry. About a third of his former students are either pursuing their college degrees at one of the city’s community colleges or they are serving as apprentices at other automotive-restoration shops. Some also have obtained jobs in other automotive-related fields. For example, one former student teaches auto-body work at a local high school.

STEADY SUPPORT

AMG will be able to help more at-risk youth thanks to the grants the nonprofit was awarded from the Dan A. Nicholson Fund at the Trust as well as the Springboard Foundation and Glasser and Rosenthal Family Foundation, which are both supporting organizations of the Trust.

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“I loved the passion among the leadership, loved the mission and loved the kids we met,” says Doug Sharfstein, a member of Springboard, which supports after-school programs in Chicago’s poorest neighborhoods. “We look for strong leadership and a solid program, which we saw during our site visit to AMG.”

Associate Program Officer Brandon Thorne brought AMG to the attention of Trust donors like Sam Rosenthal of the Glasser and Rosenthal Family Foundation. “I’m impressed with Alex’s energy and passion,” Thorne says. “He has been able to take the students’ interest in vintage cars and motivate them into making a better future for themselves.”

“We would not have been aware of, let alone connected with, AMG without the Trust.” Rosenthal says. The Glasser and Rosenthal Family Foundation is committed to funding AMG for three years to provide the ongoing support the nonprofit needs to build its capacity.

Levesque, who has kept AMG operating through private donations and his own savings, now has the funding to expand the program: “The support through the Trust shines a bright light on my spirit because it was the first of its kind to support us in such a way and connect us with the right funding partners.”
# DONOR ADVISED GRANTS

Hundreds of people, families, institutions and corporations partner with The Chicago Community Trust, using our expertise and services to ensure their charitable giving is meaningful and effective. Following are the nonprofit organizations that received grants from the Trust’s donor advised funds in 2014. For more information about our donor advised fund program or how you can collaborate with the Trust in your giving, please visit www.cct.org.

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The internationally renowned Lyric Opera of Chicago features the world’s greatest singers in groundbreaking, innovative productions like “Canciones y arias,” a performance that showcases the musical connections between mariachi and opera. Photo courtesy of the Lyric Opera of Chicago.

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Bill and Cheryl Lowry opened a donor advised fund at The Chicago Community Trust to support The It’s Time Organization, an organization they created to prevent and reduce violence. Photo by Chris Kirzeder.
SEIZING the MOMENT

In the wake of a tragedy, Bill and Cheryl Lowry partner with the Trust to tackle violence in the community.

The shooting of Hadiya Pendleton on Jan. 29, 2013, hit close to home for Bill and Cheryl Lowry. The 15-year-old honor student was caught in the crossfire of gang violence in a park about 10 feet from the Lowrys’ backyard. The tragic incident not only garnered national headlines and cast the spotlight on gun violence in Chicago, it also troubled the Lowry family to see the problem so close to their doorstep. That’s when their 17-year-old son Evan asked them, “What are you going to do about all this violence around us?”

The Lowrys responded to their son’s call to action: They created The It’s Time Organization to prevent and reduce violence in Chicago and partnered with The Chicago Community Trust to aid the new organization in fulfilling its mission.

STRONG START

Founded in February 2013, The It’s Time Organization, or TITO, makes grants to nonprofit organizations that work to alleviate violence in neighborhoods in the South Side. “I’m a big believer that less is more. So you start small. You do it right and you expand from that,” says Bill Lowry, a lawyer. “So the focus of our efforts is geared towards where most of us live in the 3rd, 4th and 5th wards of the city.”

This year TITO awarded its inaugural grants to youth and community development programs. BUILD, a nonprofit that provides programs for at-risk youth in the West Side, received a grant from TITO to expand the nonprofit’s leadership and career-preparation programs to the South Side for 10 to 15 teenagers. In addition, because TITO members believe a vibrant, thriving and healthy community is key to thwarting violence, they also awarded a grant to Quad Communities Development Corporation to support the economic development of North Kenwood, Oakland, Douglas and Grand Boulevard.

These inaugural grants cap off a busy year for TITO, which has achieved much in its short history. The organization has held a successful fundraiser, exceeding its goals by 50 percent. It has recruited more than 60 members and donors that meet every other month to discuss the best ways to tackle violence in their communities and determine the nonprofits they would like to partner with and support. And TITO counts policy makers and influencers such as Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle and Mayor Rahm Emanuel as supporters.

BUILDING MOMENTUM

The Lowrys credit the Trust for helping TITO to get off to a strong start. After the Pendleton shooting, the couple wanted to hold a fundraiser immediately for TITO because the issue was top of mind for many concerned residents. But they thought they needed to wait until TITO received its 501(c)(3) nonprofit designation. “You need to seize the momentum while you’re at the height of it. I was waiting for the 501(c)(3) designation to come through for our group before we could get everyone together and have an event where we could garner support for TITO,” Bill Lowry says. “And then it came to me that the donor advised fund would work.”

The Lowrys established a donor advised fund at the Trust for TITO so the organization could start raising funds and engaging donors right away. By housing TITO’s contributions in a donor advised fund, donors to TITO receive immediate tax benefits. In addition, the Trust provides financial management of the fund and handles administrative tasks, including preparing and filing tax returns for the fund. And the Trust can use its grant making expertise to help TITO evaluate nonprofits that it may want to support.

Beyond the operational benefits, the Lowrys are proud to partner with the Trust because of its deep commitment to improving the lives of underserved residents in the region. “I value so much that the Trust gives voice to folks who often are not heard and shines a light on situations that maybe some other organizations may choose not to shine a light on,” says Cheryl Lowry, a dentist.

The Lowrys are still waiting for TITO’s 501(c)(3) designation, but they are no longer concerned about the protracted process. “As long as we’re collaborating with the Trust, we’ll just keep moving forward,” Cheryl Lowry says.
MATCHING GIFTS

Furthering its mission to promote philanthropy and build Chicago’s charitable resources, The Chicago Community Trust offers a matching gifts program to staff and the Executive Committee, the governing board of the Trust. This opportunity allowed employees and the members of the Executive Committee to augment their gifts to nonprofits. In 2014, the Trust donated more than $139,000 to nonprofit organizations through its matching gifts program. Following are the recipients of these charitable gifts.

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Steps for Doug
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Underscore Theatre
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Urban Initiatives
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Voices for Illinois Children
Waukegan Park District
Wesley Child Care Center
World Bicycle Relief
Young Women’s Leadership Charter School of Chicago
YWCA of Metropolitan Chicago

Founded by The Chicago Community Trust in 1987, Voices for Illinois Children advocates on behalf of children in the state to ensure their education, health and development as well as the economic security of their families. Photo courtesy of Voices for Illinois Children.
As part of The Chicago Community Trust’s commitment to encourage collective philanthropy that meets the changing needs of the diverse communities in metropolitan Chicago, we have partnered with community and corporate leaders to create the following giving groups.

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- Children’s Center of Cicero-Berwyn
- El Hogar Del Niño
- Farmworker Advocacy Project
- Gads Hill Center
- Garden Quarter Neighborhood Resource Center
- Latino Organization of the Southwest
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**Grant Recipients**
- Allowance for Good
- Bridge to Success
- Chicago Area Fair Housing Alliance
- Community Film Workshop
- Easing the Distance
- Happiness Club
- Joanie Girl’s Heart [she crew]
- Sit Stay Read

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**Grants from Identity-Focused Funds**

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GRANTS from SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONS

Supporting organizations are affiliates that operate in conjunction with The Chicago Community Trust. Because of their association with the Trust, supporting organizations enjoy benefits such as favorable tax treatment, exclusion from restrictions normally placed on private foundations, and the Trust’s expert staff and resources. Though these affiliates work closely with the Trust, each retains its unique identity and is responsible for its own grant making decisions, investments and operations.

BURRIDGE D. BUTLER MEMORIAL TRUST

Established in 1951, the Burridge D. Butler Memorial Trust is the oldest supporting organization of The Chicago Community Trust. About 20 percent of the annual earned income from this trust is designated for the Children’s Home and Aid Society of Illinois. The remaining earned income benefits the general charitable purposes of The Chicago Community Trust.

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2014 GRANT RECIPIENT
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THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF WILL COUNTY

With a growth rate among the fastest in the nation, Will County, Ill., has experienced significant social change recently. As businesses thrive and the population expands, so, too, do the county’s social service needs. Local civic leaders partnered with The Chicago Community Trust to form The Community Foundation of Will County in 2006 to address the evolving challenges of the communities in this county. Since 2006, the Trust has provided more than $1 million to help support the operation and grant making activities in Will County.

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2014 GRANT RECIPIENTS

The Community Foundation of Will County awarded a grant to support the Warren-Sharpe Community Center urban garden in Joliet. In the summer, families and children in the area harvested a bounty of produce and herbs and took cooking classes to learn how to prepare the food. The children who tended to the garden and attended the cooking classes are writing a cookbook, Veggie Casserole: Kids Cook the Darndest Things!, which will be published in February 2015. Photo courtesy of The Community Foundation of Will County.
GLASSER AND ROSENTHAL FAMILY FOUNDATION

The Glasser and Rosenthal Family Foundation was created in 2012 by the Glasser and Rosenthal families to support the philanthropic activities of successor generations from each family. Its mission is to improve the quality of life in the Chicago region by nurturing organizations related to education, civic affairs, urban problems and cultural activities.

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2014 GRANT RECIPIENTS
Automotive Mentoring Group
Chicago Voyagers

THE LAKE COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

In response to the growing needs in Lake County, a region in northern Illinois, The Chicago Community Trust partnered with community leaders to launch The Lake County Community Foundation in 2004. Supported by grant resources from the Trust, the foundation has awarded more than $2.6 million in grants to more than 75 nonprofit organizations that are improving the quality of life for Lake County’s most vulnerable residents. Emerging as a strong civic leader with a deep understanding of community needs, the foundation serves as a strategic resource to the nonprofit sector and as the charitable compass for the community and a growing base of donors — pointing the way to collaborative philanthropy.

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Ounce of Prevention Fund
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UC/Chicago Impact
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YBLC d/b/a YouthBuild Lake County
Zion Benton Childrens Service
Zion Elementary School District 6

LAVIN FAMILY SUPPORTING FOUNDATION

Established in 1996 by Bernice and Leonard Lavin and family, the Lavin Family Supporting Foundation makes grants that benefit the general charitable interests of metropolitan Chicago and beyond.

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No new grant commitments were made in 2014. Previous grant commitments were fulfilled in 2014.
THE MCHENRY COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The McHenry County Community Foundation, an affiliate of The Chicago Community Trust, partners with donors to leverage and guide their philanthropy to help transform the lives of the most vulnerable people in this northwest region just outside of Chicago. Since 2001, the foundation has contributed more than $3 million to nonprofit organizations that support basic human needs, community development, education and health throughout McHenry County.

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2014 GRANT RECIPIENTS

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- A to Z Literacy Movement
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- Adult and Child Rehabilitation Center for McHenry County
- Albums of Hope
- Alexander Leigh Center for Autism
- Artland Story Group
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of McHenry County
- Blessing Barn
- Boone Creek Watershed Alliance
- BraveHeart Therapeutic Riding & Educational Center
- CASA McHenry County
- Centegra Health System Foundation
- Challenger Learning Center for Science & Technology
- City of Woodstock, Illinois
- Colby-Petersen Farm Foundation
- Community Action Agency for McHenry County
- Consumer Credit Counseling Services of McHenry County
- Creative Arts
- Crystal Lake Food Pantry
- DePaul University Schmitt Academic Center
- Environmental Defenders of McHenry County
- Families Empowered to Change
- Family Alliance
- Family Health Partnership Clinic
- Farmworker Advocacy Project
- First Congregational Church
- Free Guitars for Future Stars
- Friends of McHenry County College Foundation
- Friends of Moraine Hills State Park
- Garden Quarter Neighborhood Resource Center
- GIGI’s Playhouse McHenry
- Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois
- Girls on the Run of Northwest Illinois
- Habitat for Humanity of McHenry County
- Home of the Sparrow
- Huntley Community Radio
- Idaho State University
- Illinois State University
- It’s All About Kids
- James Millikin University
- Land Conservancy of McHenry County
- Last Chance House
- Leadership Greater McHenry County
- Little League Baseball
- Loeffel Epilepsy Foundation
- Main Stay Therapeutic Riding Program
- Marengo—Union Library District
- McHenry County 4-H Foundation
- McHenry County College
- McHenry County Government Center McHenry County Workforce Network
- McHenry County Historical Society
- McHenry County Housing Authority
- McHenry County PADS
- Mental Health Resource League
- Neighbors Helping Neighbors
- NISRA Foundation
- Northern Illinois Center for Autism
- Northern Illinois Food Bank
- On Angels’ Wings
- Pioneer Center for Human Services
- Raue Center for the Arts
- Rotary Club of Crystal Lake
- Salvation Army - Crystal Lake
- Samaritan Counseling Center of the Northwest Suburbs
- Senior Care Volunteer Network
- Senior Services Associates
- Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville
- Spring Grove Fire Protection District
- St. Paul’s Episcopal Church Diaper Bank
- St. Vincent de Paul Society The Church of Holy Apostles
- Thresholds
- Transitional Living Services
- Turning Point
- United Way of Greater McHenry County
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- University of Illinois Extension
- University of Michigan
- University of Wisconsin - Madison
- University of Wisconsin - Whitewater
- Volunteer Center of McHenry County
- Wellness Place
- Woodstock Christian Life Services dba Hearthstone Communities
- Woodstock Community Unit School District 200
- Woodstock Police Department
- Woodstock Public Library

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Children’s Home and Aid Society of Illinois
Delta Institute
JourneyCare Foundation
The Lake County Community Foundation
Main Stay Therapeutic Riding Program
Planned Parenthood of Illinois
SGA Youth & Family Services
Turning Point
Women Employed Institute
Woodstock Christian Life Services dba Hearthstone Communities

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Care for Real
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Chicago Shakespeare Theater
Chicago Symphony Orchestra
Children’s Home and Aid Society of Illinois
Child’s Voice
Community Health Charities of Illinois
Connections for the Homeless
Electrical Safety Foundation International
Ethiopian Community Association of Chicago
Family Matters
Field Museum of Natural History
Heart of Florida United Way
High Ridge YMCA
Howard Area Community Center
Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
It Can Be Done
Jane Addams Resource Corporation
John G. Shedd Aquarium Shedd Aquarium Society
Lawrence Hall Youth Services
Lyric Opera of Chicago
Lincoln Park Zoological Society
Misericordia Home
Museum of Science and Industry
Northside Community Resources
Pensacola Museum of Art
Rogers Park Business Alliance – DevCorp North
Rogers Park/West Ridge Historical Society
Saint Gertrude Parish
Saint Ignatius Church
United Way of Greater Milwaukee
United Way of Metropolitan Chicago
United Way of the Bay Area
University of Illinois College of Engineering
Warren Park Youth Baseball Program

SPRINGBOARD FOUNDATION
The Springboard Foundation was created to improve the quality of life in Chicago’s low-income neighborhoods by supporting small, grassroots nonprofit organizations. Since its inception in 1998, the foundation has supported numerous programs dedicated to promoting constructive educational and out-of-school activities for children.

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Chicago Youth Boxing Club
Chicago Youth Development Program
Cool Classics
EMBARC
FOUS Youth Development Services
GirlForward
Grace and Peace Fellowship
Green Star Movement
Hip-Hop Detox
Intonation Music Workshop
Living Works
Madonna Mission
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Musical Arts Institute
Peace Corner
Project VISION
Restoring the Path
Supplies for Dreams
Dan O’Neil, executive director of the Smart Chicago Collaborative, spearheads the Chicago School of Data, a project that helps civic organizations across metropolitan Chicago work together to use collective data for the public good, to serve community needs and improve connections among those organizations. Photo by Mark Campbell.
For the Chicago School of Data project, the term “power in numbers” has multiple meanings. Funded by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and spearheaded by the Smart Chicago Collaborative, a funder collaborative of The Chicago Community Trust, the Chicago School of Data brings together civic groups throughout the Chicago region to share information as a means to improve lives. Simply put, its premise is that more data shared by more organizations will result in more benefits for everyone.

“We want to help organizations use data and technology to do their jobs, be more effective and make lives better,” explains Dan O’Neil, executive director of Smart Chicago. “Our objective is to pull together all of the great energy we see in nonprofit, government and other sectors in a cohesive way that can support everyone.”

DATA MINING
By all accounts, it’s a lofty goal and a massive undertaking. O’Neil and his team started from scratch, conducting surveys, interviews and research with hundreds of organizations to understand how they use data to improve lives in the Chicago region. The team identified challenges organizations face in using data and opportunities to improve the Chicago data ecosystem, including potential collaborations between organizations.

Based on this initial legwork, Smart Chicago put together the Chicago School of Data Days conference in September 2014. More than 300 people attended the two-day conference. It covered a variety of topics, including how to access, clean and map data, and create a culture of data sharing. Trust President and CEO Terry Mazany gave the keynote remarks on the second day, sharing how the Trust uses data to address pressing issues, such as unemployment and climate change.

Attendees were particularly interested in software training, understanding and presenting data, and how to share data among organizations in ethical ways. “Privacy, and the technical needs around that, is a big concern,” O’Neil notes. “But we came away seeing that people are motivated by the desire to get the skills to share information and use it to support one another and collaborate.”

“The Chicago School of Data is based on a deep, comprehensive understanding of data usage in the greater Chicago community,” says Brenna Berman, commissioner and chief information officer of the City of Chicago and a member of the advisory committee of the Smart Chicago Collaborative. “Smart Chicago builds on that understanding to bring together a broad ecosystem of stakeholders to debate, develop and further the technical data skills of all members of the community through connection, training and development.”

ALIGNING FOR SUCCESS
Smart Chicago will publish a book in March 2015 that summarizes the findings from the conference. But O’Neil’s long-term goal extends beyond the book. He wants to help align metropolitan Chicago’s varied civic groups so they work in concert with each other as they use data to improve the region. “I see there being a fluidity of data, talent, information and software among organizations that doesn’t exist today, and an alignment of projects that makes everyone more efficient,” O’Neil explains.

Smart Chicago is already making an impact in sharing data. In 2014, the Chicago Department of Public Health awarded Smart Chicago its Healthy Chicago award for contributing to the overall health of the city with two projects. Smart Chicago teamed up with the Chicago Department of Public Health to create Foodborne Chicago, an app that identifies tweets related to possible cases of food poisoning at restaurants and triggers restaurant inspections. Smart Chicago also worked with CDPH, the Trust and other organizations to make public health data available on the Chicago Health Atlas website so people can see the prevalence of specific health conditions in their areas and learn how they can improve their health.

O’Neil says Smart Chicago’s location within the Trust headquarters was invaluable to achieving these successes as well as getting the Chicago School of Data project off the ground. “The Trust is at the center of all the work that we aim to be involved in, and being here provides us with an ideal vantage point,” he says. “It makes it easy for us to do outreach and build relationships, and that is so important for our long-range goals.”
Recognizing the importance and effectiveness of collaboration, The Chicago Community Trust supports funder collaboratives, which bring together leadership and funding from multiple foundations, corporations and donors to respond to a particular issue. These collaboratives help funders mobilize and leverage resources needed to achieve greater impact for the community. Following are funder collaboratives of the Trust and the nonprofit organizations they made grants to in 2014.

**ARTS EDUCATION INITIATIVE**
No grants were made in 2014.

**ARTS WORK FUND FOR ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**
Actors Gymnasium
Archi-Treasures Association
Artists Cooperative Residency and Exhibitions Project
Arts & Business Council of Chicago
Barrel of Monkeys Productions
Bella Voce
Chicago Artists’ Coalition
Chicago Chamber Choir
Chicago Gay Men’s Chorus
Chicago International Movies and Music Festival
Chicago Jazz Orchestra Association
Chicago Jazz Philharmonic
Chicago Poetry Slam
Chicago Public Art Group
CircEsteem
Classical Kids Music Education
Clinard Dance Theatre
Company of Folk
DanceWorks Chicago
Elastic Arts Foundation
Erasing the Distance
Evanston Symphony Orchestra
Fifth House Ensemble
Free Street Programs
Hedwig Dances
Hot House Center for International Performance and Exhibition
Hyde Park School of Dance
Intonation Music Workshop
Jazz Institute of Chicago
Kalapriya Foundation Center for Indian Performing Arts
Kuumba Lynx
Mary-Archie Theatre
Mitchell Museum of the American Indian
Mudlark Theater Company
Najwa Dance Corps
Natya Dance Theatre
Open Studio Project
Piccolo Theatre
Puerto Rican Arts Alliance
Raven Theatre
Red Clay Dance Company
Rivendell Theatre Ensemble
Rush Hour Concerts at St. James Cathedral
Seldoms
Serendipity Theatre Collective
Shattered Globe Theatre
Sideshow Theatre Company
Sones de Mexico Ensemble
South Chicago Art Center
Space/Movement Project
Spudnik Press Cooperative
Steep Theatre Company
Storycatchers Theatre
Striding Lion InterArts Workshop
Thodos Dance Chicago
The Utopian Theatre Asylum/T.U.T.A.
Voice of the City

**CHICAGOLAND WORKFORCE FUNDER ALLIANCE**
Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois
Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership
Creating IT Futures Foundation
Illinois Manufacturing Excellence Center
OAI
Working Hands Legal Clinic

**THE DREAMERS FUND**
Alliance of Filipinos for Immigrant Rights & Empowerment
Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago
Center of Information of Elgin
Centro Romero
DePaul University College of Law
Erie Neighborhood House
Family Focus
Heartland Alliance for Human Needs & Human Rights
Hispanic American Community Education and Services
Korean American Resource and Cultural Center
Latinos Progresando
Logan Square Neighborhood Association
Mano a Mano Family Resource Center
RefugeeOne
Southwest Organizing Project
World Relief DuPage

**FINANCIAL SERVICES PIPELINE INITIATIVE**
No grants were made in 2014.

**GET IN CHICAGO FUND**
Alternatives
Black Star Project
BUILD
Chicago Urban League
Children’s Home and Aid Society of Illinois
Community Counseling Centers of Chicago
Faith Community of Saint Sabina
Kleo Community Family Life Center
Phalanx Family Services
SGA Youth & Family Services
Sinai Health System

**HIVE CHICAGO**
Adler Planetarium
After School Matters
American Museum of Natural History
Anti-Cruelty Society
Artifice
California Academy of Science
Chicago Architecture Foundation
The Chicago Community Foundation
Chicago History Museum
Chicago Horticultural Society
Chicago Botanic Garden
Chicago International Charter Schools
Chicago Public Library Foundation
Columbia College Chicago Center for Community Arts Partnerships
DePaul University College of Computing and Digital Media
Do Something, dba Crisis Text Line
Free Spirit Media
Freedom Games
Intuit: The Center for Intuitive and Outsider Art
Iridescent
John G. Shedd Aquarium
Shedd Aquarium Society
Lawndale Christian Development Corporation
Mikva Challenge Grant Foundation
National Vietnam Veterans Art Museum
Northeastern Illinois University Foundation
Northwestern University Office of Sponsored Research
Open Books
Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum
The Chicago Academy of Sciences
Project Exploration
Project SYNCREE
Street-Level Youth Media
Sweet Water Foundation
True Star Foundation
University of Chicago

**THE PARTNERSHIP FOR NEW COMMUNITIES**
City Colleges of Chicago
OAI
Prairie State College
South Suburban Community College
District 510

**SMART CHICAGO COLLABORATIVE**
No grants were made in 2014.
David DeCoursey, who served as executive director of Leadership Greater Chicago for 25 years, passed away on Dec. 18, 2014, in his Chicago home after a courageous battle with cancer. He was 66 years old.

Under Mr. DeCoursey’s leadership, LGC, which was founded by The Chicago Community Trust, became widely known and respected for its signature fellowship program, in which participants study the complex challenges facing the region and develop solutions. Mr. DeCoursey was a member of the civic group’s first class in 1985. Since then, more than 900 civic, community and business leaders have participated in the selective 10-month fellowship program. Notable alumni include U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan and First Lady Michelle Obama.

In a statement, First Lady Michelle Obama remarked: “I am moved by all he did to unify our community, strengthen our country and make our world a better place.”

“David interviewed every candidate for twenty-five LGC classes,” says Emily Harris, a member of LGC’s 1989 fellowship class and executive director of ADA 25 Chicago. “He had the daunting assignment of working year after year with a selection committee to choose 35 individuals, balancing professions, geography, gender, race, perspective and personality. It was no easy task, but year after year, David brought together a mix of corporate, government, nonprofit and community-based leaders and created an environment of learning, trust, understanding and fellowship that is enduring.”

David DeCoursey served as executive director of Leadership Greater Chicago for 25 years, molding the nonprofit’s signature fellowship into a program noted for identifying and training rising civic leaders early in their careers. Photo courtesy of Leadership Greater Chicago.

A TRANSFORMATIVE EXPERIENCE

Indeed, the LGC Fellows Program is more than just a professional development program for rising leaders early in their careers. Mr. DeCoursey worked to ensure that fellows could explore some of the region’s toughest issues through retreats, seminars and community visits—and through varying perspectives and lenses. The program allowed them to gain a deep and complete understanding of the challenges facing metropolitan Chicago while laying the foundation for their lifelong commitment to civic engagement. They covered topics such as community awareness, race and ethnic relations, crime and violence, and leadership.

“David was a gifted facilitator, creating a safe space for challenging conversations and continually ensuring a high caliber of meaningful dialogue,” Harris says. “And when the questioning became too tough, he relaxed any tension with his wry sense of humor.”

“As a result of David’s leadership, we LGC fellows comprise a thriving network of people from all walks of life with a common experience who can talk to each other openly and honestly, agree to disagree, and rely on each other for support and perspective throughout our careers,” Harris adds.

“When David retired this year, it was hard to imagine LGC without him,” Harris says. “Now it is hard to imagine Chicago without David DeCoursey. He will be greatly missed.”
Sue Gin was a true pioneer — an innovator who relished conquering challenges with vision, resourcefulness and generosity. She blazed new trails in business while working tirelessly to help those in need, leaving behind an indelible mark in metropolitan Chicago and at The Chicago Community Trust before she passed away on Sept. 26, 2014, at the age of 73.

A NEW PATH

Ms. Gin served on the Trust’s Executive Committee from 1996-2006, helping to steer the Trust in a new direction. When Terry Mazany became chief executive officer and president of the Trust in 2004, Ms. Gin challenged him to think about the potential of the Trust. Without changing course, the Trust would become increasingly less relevant to the civic life of Chicago, or he could position the Trust as an active leader of issues of significance.

“She presented it as if we were at a fork in the road, and we were,” Mazany recalls of his dinner with Ms. Gin. “She shared her vision for the Trust, and she encouraged me in her delightfully exuberant style to lay out an ambitious agenda to elevate the Trust so that we can have a big impact on important issues.”

Under her advice, Mazany charted a new path for the Trust to provide vital philanthropic leadership and greater engagement with the diversity of the community. As a result, the foundation is now part of the ongoing conversation on how to address the key issues impacting the city — most of all, offering its expertise to develop lasting solutions. “This shows the impact that one person and one idea can have, and Sue had a way of always thinking out of the box and asking the right questions,” Mazany says.

SEEING OPPORTUNITY

That vision and insight also led Ms. Gin to become one of Chicago’s premiere entrepreneurs. In 1983, she launched Flying Food Group after she was served a half-frozen sweet roll on a Midway Airlines flight. She pitched to Midway that she could do it better, and she won the contract. Even when Midway collapsed in 1992, Ms. Gin forged ahead and found new clients. Flying Food now caters meals and snacks for about 70 airlines, including Air France and British Airways.

In addition, Ms. Gin founded New Management, Ltd., a real estate company with an extensive portfolio of commercial and residential holdings in Chicago. One of her early investments was a Lincoln Park building that would become home to her own French country bistro, the acclaimed Café Bernard.

GIVING BACK

Ms. Gin was just as committed to philanthropy. She served as president of the board for the William G. McGowan Charitable Fund, a family foundation established in memory of her late husband, the founder of MCI WorldCom. Since its inception, the fund has awarded more than $120 million in grants to support education, community initiatives, and health care and medical research. She also provided leadership for numerous civic committees, including the Illinois Business Immigration Coalition and Healthy Schools Campaign.

“Chicago lost a wonderful, spirited and courageous leader,” says Rochelle Davis, president and CEO of the Healthy Schools Campaign.

“She was truly a visionary and role model, not just in business, but also in her service to the community,” says Rebecca Shi, executive director of the Illinois Business Immigration Coalition. “For me, she’s irreplaceable.”
Metropolitan Chicago and The Chicago Community Trust lost one of its most distinguished civic and business leaders when Homer J. Livingston Jr. passed away on Dec. 22, 2014, at the age of 79.

Mr. Livingston served on The Chicago Community Trust’s Executive Committee from 1996-2003, putting his business acumen to work at the community foundation. A lifelong banker, Mr. Livingston chaired the Trust’s Finance Committee. He shepherded investment policies that eventually led to substantial growth of the Trust’s endowment.

Mr. Livingston was also a well-respected figure in the banking sector in Chicago. He described himself as a “professional fixer,” turning around the financial fortunes of banks, railroads and one-time manufacturing powerhouses.

**PATH TO SUCCESS**

Born and raised in River Forest, Illinois, Mr. Livingston graduated from Princeton University in 1957. He then served in the U.S. Navy from 1957-1961 and again from 1962-1963. He was a 1966 graduate of the Chicago-Kent College of Law at the Illinois Institute of Technology. During his time as a law student, he joined The First National Bank of Chicago, where he eventually became executive vice president of corporate banking.

Mr. Livingston departed First Chicago in 1979 to become a partner at Lehman Brothers Kuhn Loeb and then at William Blair & Co. before being tapped in 1984 to head LaSalle National Bank. In 1993, he became president and CEO of the Chicago Stock Exchange, a position he held until he retired in 1995.

Colleagues remember Mr. Livingston for his quick sense of humor and very direct approach to getting things done. “Homer’s successful leadership style was due to his ability to make everyone feel respected,” says Carol Crenshaw, chief financial officer at the Trust. “He embodied the distinguished gentleman archetype, and that made him a natural leader.”

**PHILANTHROPIC SPIRIT**

Mr. Livingston’s civic commitments were just as impressive. He was on the board of the S&C Foundation, a supporting organization of the Trust that funds human services, educational programs and community development. Mr. Livingston also served as chairman of the boards of Evanston-Northwestern Healthcare and Loyola Academy. In addition, he was on the boards of the Chicago-Kent College of Law, Loyola University and the Adler Planetarium. He was a long-standing member of the Commercial Club as well.

He and his wife, Marge, were deeply committed to a range of charitable organizations, including Misericordia, Catholic Charities and Regina Dominican High School.

When honored by the Chicago-Kent College of Law as one its most distinguished alumni, Mr. Livingston counseled students to “not just grab any piece of business that comes along,” but to be on the right side of any issue even when you’re starting out. “Do what’s right,” he said.
IN MEMORIAM

THE TRUST FONDLY REMEMBERS OUR FRIENDS WHO HAVE RECENTLY PASSED AWAY.

Sells Crenshaw

William Lewis

Paul Lutter

Lani Shaw

Emory Williams
For 99 years, individuals, families, organizations and businesses have worked with The Chicago Community Trust to manage their charitable giving through the establishment and support of individual funds. In 2014, the Trust welcomed 104 new funds to the 1,204 funds already housed here. We owe a debt of gratitude to all of our donors whose thoughtful philanthropic planning resulted in the establishment of these funds.

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The Birck Family Fund
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Jim & Judy Bolin Charitable Fund
Thomas & Sara Borin Foundation Fund
Tom and Dianne Campbell Charitable Fund
The Campobasso Family Fund
The Jessica and Timothy Canning Charitable Fund
Melissa and Michael Canning Charitable Fund
Edward F. Cary Memorial Fund
Center for Correctional Concerns Fund
Chicago Free for All Fund
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Maurice and Muriel Fulton Foundation Fund
Stephen H. Gardner Fund
Geocraft Fund
Lynn Levit Goetz Family Donor Advised Fund
John and Jean Greene Family Fund
William Haffner Foundation Fund
Tom & Janet Harrison Fund
The Mark and Judy Inserra Charitable Fund
The Irvine Fund
Jannotta Family Fund
JJS Advisory Fund
The Joliet Region Education Scholarship Fund
Abdul Karim Family Fund
Sharon L. King Charitable Fund
Stephen Kohl Charitable Fund
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The Rose E. Mancuso Charitable Fund
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Silver-Levit Family Fund
Lois Silverman Donor Advised Fund
Snake Family Fund
Jonathan Solovy Charitable Fund
Springboard Foundation Endowment Fund
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703 Donor Advised Fund
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Richard L. and Louise Abrams Family Fund
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Access Living Fund
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Adler Planetarium Endowment Fund
Adreani Foundation Fund
Adult & Child Therapy Services Fund
AF III
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Aramo Family Fund
Robert C. Albert Fund
Belle Allen Fund
Ruth Jones Allison Fund
Alta Vista Fund
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Alternative Visions Fund
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As a fellow in The Chicago Community Trust Fellowship, Ana Guajardo, executive director of Centro de Trabajadores Unidos: Immigrant Workers Project, traveled to Mexico to learn about business cooperatives and how she can implement them. Photo by Chris Kirzeder.
As a fellow in The Chicago Community Trust Fellowship, Ana Guajardo has ambitious plans. The executive director of Centro de Trabajadores Unidos: Immigrant Workers Project has been using her fellowship to not only pursue professional development but expand CTU’s scope of work. She is creating business cooperatives and exploring social enterprises to create jobs and ultimately businesses for immigrants on the Southeast Side.

CLOSE-UP LOOK

Funds from the fellowship allowed Guajardo to travel to Mexico to see cooperatives in action. Unlike investor-owned businesses, cooperatives are businesses owned and managed by its members, who pool their resources, democratically make decisions and share in the profits. A cooperative organizer took her to see successful ventures throughout the country that ranged in size from just five owner-workers to ones with members in the millions. She came away understanding how to teach members new skills that could lead to small business entrepreneurship as well as how to leverage the power of partnerships.

“My first thought was to start a tortilla-making cooperative,” Guajardo says. “But when I returned to CTU and sat down with our community, a group of women told me they really wanted to learn to cut and sew. So we started with that.”

Volunteers began training the women in August 2014. Soon after, the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights asked the group to make 500 vests for its volunteers working a voter drive in a month. The cooperative kicked into high gear. The women and the volunteers met three to four times a week at each other’s homes, sewing four to eight hours a day. “Everything moved so fast, and we weren’t quite ready for this,” Guajardo says. “But we wound up learning as we went along.”

The experience strengthened the cooperative. It bonded the women as they worked closely together for long hours in one another’s homes. They were also proud of the new skills they developed and the sense of accomplishment that came with completing that huge task in a short amount of time.

The sewing cooperative will now invest the money it earned to buy industrial sewing machines. In addition, Guajardo will hand over more of the leadership and operational duties, such as purchasing supplies and creating a work schedule, to the co-op owners. “I’m planning to take half a step back, let these women take some responsibility, and then move with full force,” she says.

As part of that effort, CTU is looking to partner with other nonprofits like St. Augustine College to hold sewing and business training sessions for the co-op and others in the community.

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

Another key component of Guajardo’s fellowship is professional development. Executive Director Sylvia Puente of the Latino Policy Forum and President and CEO Juan Salgado of Instituto Del Progreso Latino served as her mentors. They discussed how to grow CTU, build business relationships, and help enhance Guajardo’s leadership and management skills. She continues to regularly meet with Puente.

“I’m learning so much thanks to the Trust fellowship,” Guajardo adds. “The mentorship and ability to travel and be exposed to organizations and individuals that inspire and teach me how to better help people in Chicago have been invaluable. We didn’t have the resources to do any of this on our own. It’s been an amazing opportunity.”

Guajardo will also bring in the consultant she met in Mexico to help her plan more co-ops and develop training strategies.

“We’re already starting to get phone calls from community residents who are interested in working at these co-ops,” Guajardo says. “The word is spreading. People are eager to learn new skills.”

Guajardo also plans to work with the consultant to develop social enterprises, businesses that deliver positive social change. CTU intends to bring together leaders of the co-op as well as community and business leaders to create social enterprises that employ immigrants to produce and sell tortillas, salsas and jams.
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PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE and YOUNG PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Chicago Community Trust’s Professional Advisory Committee and Young Professional Advisory Committee consist of professional advisors in the legal, accounting, investment and financial services fields. They work with the Trust to learn more about how they can enhance their clients’ charitable giving. Members of the PAC and YPAC also assist the Trust in building relationships in their fields of expertise from banking and law to wealth consulting.

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Dimitri Eliopoulos, a member of the Trust’s Young Leaders Fund and Young Professional Advisory Committee, spoke to Director of Major and Planned Gifts Abbe Temkin about how the Trust gives him an inside look at philanthropy in metropolitan Chicago and helps his clients make impact with their charitable giving. Photo by Timothy Musho.
The Trust keeps Dimitri Eliopoulos informed about philanthropy in the Chicago region

Dimitri Eliopoulos, partner and senior wealth manager for RMB Capital Management, LLC, has seen firsthand The Chicago Community Trust’s grant making impact and expertise. As a member of the Young Leaders Fund, an identity-focused fund at the Trust, he and his fellow YLF members learn about effective philanthropy through hands-on grant making. Eliopoulos is also a member of the Trust’s Young Professional Advisory Committee, which is made up of legal, accounting and financial advisors who serve as ambassadors for the Trust. He spoke to Director of Major and Planned Gifts Abbe Temkin about why the Trust is a valuable philanthropic resource for him and his clients.

Temkin: How does The Chicago Community Trust benefit you and your clients?

Eliopoulos: It really comes down to people. The Trust serves as a reliable facilitator for grant making, and a lot of that has to do with the team working hard at the Trust every day. My clients know that if they need guidance or direction on a philanthropic issue, they can speak to an individual at the Trust that they have built a relationship with. That gives me and my team the confidence that when a mutual client calls and needs help, they’ll be taken care of.

Why do you recommend your clients use the Trust to achieve their philanthropic goals?

The Trust should be the first choice for those who have called Chicago home and have an affinity for our great city. The Trust provides guidance, research and direction for those donors who want to make an impact in the community but are not quite sure what neighborhoods or organizations are in the greatest need.

Why do you think the Trust is so important for metropolitan Chicago?

I don’t know of any other organization in Chicago that has a pulse on everything happening socially, economically, politically and culturally. I’ve attended dozens of meetings, presentations and events hosted or sponsored by the Trust over the years. The information that is shared is endless. We are fortunate to have an institution like the Trust that has been around for almost 100 years and has been a significant contributor to addressing challenges and making Chicago a world-class city.
Community CHAMPIONS

Ray and Susan Gillette use their donor advised fund at The Chicago Community Trust to support local, national and international nonprofit organizations that help underserved and low-income people. Photo by Chris Kirzeder.
GENEROSITY in ACTION

Ray and Susan Gillette not only make grants, but they also contribute their time and talents to help people in need.

Ray and Susan Gillette haven’t slowed down one bit since they grabbed the opportunity to retire early. Instead, the former advertising executives, who each served as president of DDB Chicago at separate times, have dedicated just as much energy to this chapter of their lives as they partner with The Chicago Community Trust to carry out their philanthropy and help underserved and vulnerable people in metropolitan Chicago and beyond.

The Gillettes established their donor advised fund at the Trust in 2005 because the community foundation has a long history of helping donors effectively support nonprofits that help people in need. “The Trust has been around for almost 100 years. It’s been established to give back and not for any other reason,” Ray Gillette says. “And the values of the Trust — integrity, innovation and diversity — are all important things to us.”

CONTRIBUTING TO THE COMMUNITY

The couple use their donor advised fund to make grants to The Salvation Army Metropolitan Division, which provides comprehensive social services in the Chicago region, northern Illinois and northwestern Indiana; Streetwise, which helps homeless people in Chicago gain self-sufficiency; and the Off the Street Club, which offers after-school programs for at-risk children in West Garfield Park. They also provide scholarships to their alma maters: Susan Gillette has funded scholarships for minority English majors at Northern Illinois University, while Ray Gillette set up a scholarship for minority students pursuing journalism degrees at West Virginia University. And Opportunity International receives their support to provide microloans to help people living in poverty around the world become entrepreneurs.

For the Gillettes, philanthropy entails more than just donating money. They often join the boards and committees of the nonprofits they support, contributing their advertising and business talents. For example, Susan Gillette served on the national board of The Salvation Army for six years, shepherding it through its first national advertising campaign. Ray Gillette has been on the board of Streetwise since 2000, offering guidance in strategy, communications and fundraising.

“It’s one thing to give money, but in many ways, it’s harder to give time,” Ray Gillette says. “We try to do both when we can. That in-kind work is very time-consuming but rewarding.”

PHILANTHROPY MADE SIMPLE

The Gillettes appreciate how the Trust eases some of the responsibilities associated with their charitable giving—helping them stay actively involved with the nonprofits they support. They like the convenience of making their grants online through Instant Impact, the Trust’s web portal that donors use to manage their funds. In addition, the Trust’s financial management of their fund has resulted in strong investment returns, allowing them to contribute more money to nonprofits. And the Trust handles much of the administrative work for their fund, including preparing and filing tax returns.

The Trust also sets itself apart in the philanthropic community because it helps donors maximize the impact of their giving, according to the Gillettes. The couple believes the Trust’s grant making expertise will be crucial when they eventually hand over their fund to their adult daughters, Maggie and Lindsay. “There’s a discipline to giving just like there’s a discipline to almost anything,” Ray Gillette says. “What the Trust does is provide you with that discipline.”

“Our daughters share our values and will be able to be philanthropic in part because we have protected these funds, and we think it’s just a great gift to give them,” Susan Gillette says.

The Gillettes are confident that the Trust will effectively guide their children’s charitable giving and provide them with a satisfying philanthropic experience as it has for the couple. “The Chicago Community Trust is a respected place for people who care about Chicago and the broader community,” Susan Gillette says. “More than anything, the Trust is dedicated to philanthropy, and this is our family’s commitment to philanthropy. So we feel very strongly that the Trust is the right choice for us.”
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of The Chicago Community Trust is the governing body responsible for all grant allocations made from the Trust’s funds, for overseeing asset development and for guiding our general operations.

Our founding Declaration of Trust specifies authorities who are designated to appoint members of this committee in order to represent the communities we serve. All members of the Executive Committee also compose the board of directors of The Chicago Community Foundation, our corporate affiliate. Following are the 2014 members of the Executive Committee and their appointing authorities.

Frank M. Clark
Chairman
Appointed in 2006 by the Trustees Committee

Leslie Bluhm
Appointed in 2013 by the president of Northwestern University

Carole L. Brown
Appointed in 2013 by the mayor of Chicago

Martin R. Castro
Appointed in 2011 by the presiding judge of the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Cook County

John H. Catlin
Appointed in 2007 by the mayor of Chicago

William M. Daley
Appointed in 2014 by the Executive Committee

Shawn M. Donnelley
Appointed in 2011 by the Trustees Committee

Michael W. Ferro Jr.
Appointed in 2008 by the Trustees Committee

Denise B. Gardner
Appointed in 2008 by the presiding judge of the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Cook County

King W. Harris
Appointed in 2005 by the chief judge of the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois

Christopher G. Kennedy
Appointed in 2010 by the chancellor of the University of Illinois at Chicago

Audrey R. Peeples
Appointed in 2007 by the chief judge of the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois

Mary B. Richardson-Lowry
Appointed in 2013 by the Trustees Committee

John W. Rowe
Appointed in 2014 by the Trustees Committee

Jesse H. Ruiz
Appointed in 2009 by the Executive Committee

Michael Tang
Appointed in 2009 by the president of the University of Chicago

Linda S. Wolf
Appointed in 2013 by the chair of the United Way of Metropolitan Chicago
Our relationship with Chicago financial institutions dates back to the founding of The Chicago Community Trust and continues to be a partnership with enduring richness. In 1915, Harris Trust and Savings Bank stood as the sole trustee bank charged with managing the Trust’s charitable assets. Over time residents began assessing their own personal giving and contemplated the charitable legacy they would leave the community. Individuals turned to the banks for assistance in leaving gifts in perpetuity, and the banks, in turn, looked to the Trust as a fellow civic leader.

Today five financial institutions manage a large portion of the Trust’s assets. We are privileged to have such strong relationships with these banks and their leaders.

The Trustees Committee, comprising five chief executives of these banks, appoints up to five members of the Executive Committee, approves other appointments to the committee and, according to the Declaration of Trust, “shall consult with and advise ... in matters pertaining to the development of The Chicago Community Trust and public relations.” Following are the 2014 members of the Trustees Committee and Trustee Banks.

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Chairman, Midwest Region
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U.S. Bank

**Mark F. Furlong**
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**Tim Maloney**
Illinois President
Bank of America

**Frederick (Rick) H. Waddell**
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
The Northern Trust Company

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- **Bank of America**
- **BMO Harris Bank, N.A.**
- **JPMorgan Chase**
- **The Northern Trust Company**
- **U.S. Bank**

*Former chairman*
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## TRUST at a GLANCE

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<td>The Trust regularly convenes public sector, civic and community leaders to work on finding solutions for challenges facing the region.</td>
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<td>Several Trust initiatives and programs have developed into stand-alone organizations addressing the needs of the community, including the Campaign for Community Schools, Chicago High School for the Arts, Executive Service Corps of Chicago, IFF, Ingenuity, Leadership Greater Chicago and Voices for Illinois Children.</td>
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<td>Donor Services</td>
<td>The Trust works one on one with local donors to help them manage their charitable giving, offering several ways to give, including setting up their own funds or contributing to existing funds. Donors with funds at the Trust are able to benefit from the expertise of the Trust’s grant making staff and the scope of our grant making.</td>
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The Chicago Community Trust, our region’s community foundation, partners with donors to leverage their philanthropy in ways that transform lives and communities. The Trust, together with its donors, grants more than $160 million annually to nonprofits working to develop new audiences to sustain the region’s vibrant arts organizations, protect the human services safety net for those hardest hit by the recession, stem the devastating effects of foreclosures on our neighborhoods, elevate teaching to meet world-class standards, and improve conditions for healthy and active lifestyles. By connecting the generosity of donors with the needs of the community, the Trust ensures that our region thrives today and for future generations.
To learn more about how the Trust has improved the quality of life in metropolitan Chicago, we invite you to visit our website at www.cct.org.

The 100 percent postconsumer recycled paper selection for this annual report has created the following environmental savings:

- 🌳 76 trees preserved for the future
- 🌊 32,504 gallons of wastewater flow saved
- ☀️ 54,198,720 BTUs of energy not consumed
- 🎡 221 pounds of water-borne waste not created
- 🚮 3,596 pounds of solid waste not generated
- 🌙 6,884 pounds of net greenhouse gases prevented