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## **McCORMICK FOUNDATION AND CHICAGO TRIBUNE CELEBRATE 20+ YEARS OF GENEROSITY IN CHICAGO**

*CHICAGO TRIBUNE CHARITIES REACHES \$100 MILLION MILESTONE IN GIVING*

**CHICAGO, June 13, 2012**—With the awarding of Chicago Tribune Charities' [second quarter grants](#), Robert R. McCormick Foundation and *Chicago Tribune* announced a charitable-giving milestone.

Since 1990, through Chicago Tribune Charities, a McCormick Foundation Fund, \$100 million in charitable grants have been made, providing financial and social service assistance to help thousands of people across the greater metropolitan area.

"It's a significant milestone worth celebrating," said David Hiller, President and CEO of Robert R. McCormick Foundation, "because it represents twenty-two years of neighbors helping neighbors. We're proud to have played a role by matching and administering these funds, but these grants are made possible by thousands of generous individuals across Chicagoland. It is the donors who deserve the recognition. We have made real progress working together."

"The donations of our generous readers have enabled people to improve their lives. This milestone is a reflection of the effective partnership between donors, nonprofit organizations, *Chicago Tribune* and McCormick Foundation," said Tony Hunter, Publisher of the *Chicago Tribune*, and CEO of Tribune Publishing. "These funds support human services and educational programs. We are thrilled to reach this \$100 million milestone. We thank our partners for their dedicated, ongoing support."

In 1990, the aim was simple and charitable: To help those less fortunate have a more enjoyable holiday season and to meet basic human needs, such as food and shelter. Today, Chicago Tribune Charities is focused on helping individuals become self-sufficient by:

- Encouraging them to stay in school and prepare for college or vocational careers
- Providing basic literacy and employment training programs
- Providing counseling for domestic and child abuse prevention, and shelter referrals

**The McCormick Foundation matches all gifts at 50 cents on the dollar**, increasing the impact of individual contributions. The McCormick Foundation and *Chicago Tribune* pay all campaign and administrative costs, **ensuring 100 percent of donations, plus the match**, is granted to local nonprofits. To learn about the lives of those who have benefited from Chicago Tribune Charities and/or to mark the milestone with a donation, please visit us at [chicagotribune.com/donate](http://chicagotribune.com/donate). You can also make a gift by calling us at 1.800.217.3190.

### **About the Robert R. McCormick Foundation**

Robert R. McCormick Foundation is committed to fostering communities of educated, informed and engaged citizens. Through philanthropic programs, Cantigny Park and museums, the Foundation helps develop citizen leaders and works to make life better in our communities. The Foundation was established as a charitable trust in 1955, upon the death of Colonel Robert R. McCormick, the longtime editor and publisher of the *Chicago Tribune*. The McCormick Foundation is one of the nation's largest foundations, with more than \$1 billion in assets.

The McCormick Foundation continues McCormick's legacy by partnering with media outlets, such as the *Chicago Tribune*, sports teams and philanthropic organizations across the country, to encourage local giving, inspire civic involvement and address human needs. To learn more about the McCormick Foundation visit [www.McCormickFoundation.org](http://www.McCormickFoundation.org).

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