

Dear Supporters,

THANK

YOU 4 your

Help!

from Omarion



## YOU HELPED OMARION WRITE THIS **THANK YOU** NOTE.

**Meet Omarion and his tutor, Meagan.** They are always a present and productive duo at Tutoring Chicago's after-school program. An eager learner, Omarion came to the tutoring program for math help two years ago. With Meagan's support, Omarion has improved his math skills and discovered the fun of reading. His family is very proud of his accomplishments, including his growing pile of recently read books.

Through the generous donations, time and energy of people like you, Omarion, and other students like him, have a brighter future. Whether you've donated your time, money, or talents – we are grateful. Whether you're a volunteer, teacher, or one of the thousands of people working in government, media, schools and nonprofits that help transform lives every day, we appreciate you. By partnering with you, Chicago Tribune Community Giving helps under-served youth create pathways toward success and safety. We can't thank you enough – and neither can Meagan, Omarion and his family.



CHICAGO TRIBUNE  
**2013 COMMUNITY GIVING REPORT**

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WE'VE HELPED MAKE OUR  
COMMUNITY BETTER.



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I am very thankful

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# THANK YOU FOR HELPING US MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

As the city's leading news and information source, we know the challenges facing the people in our communities, and we embrace opportunities to make a difference.

We believe that education fuels the future of our community: a child ignited by learning to read; an adult sparked by developing English-language or job skills; a high-risk teenager choosing a brighter future by staying in school; a parent enlightened with parenting skills needed to raise a family.

But education needs support—from people dedicated to making a difference, funds to sustain programs, and organizations committed to touching the lives of others. Education needs community involvement. Community needs people like you.

Through your assistance, Chicago Tribune Community Giving and Chicago Tribune Charities, a McCormick Foundation Fund, support nonprofit programs that help under-served youth and adults create educational

pathways and help lift families out of poverty. We provide financial contributions from several giving areas, as well as donate ad space and encourage employee participation in the community. Specifically, we promote:

- Youth education for K-3 reading programs and arts education
- High school support/stay in school programming
- Adult and youth workforce development
- Adult literacy training
- Child abuse prevention and treatment programs
- Journalism training programs
- The United Way of Metropolitan Chicago
- Employee leadership, volunteerism and matching gifts

At Chicago Tribune Community Giving, we humbly give our thanks to everyone who makes such a positive difference in transforming lives throughout our community.

## ARTISTS BRING CHILDREN'S BOOKS TO LIFE.



If children do not learn to read at a young age, the odds for success are stacked against them. Some communities have fewer resources and opportunities, which makes the potential to achieve academic success challenging. In Maywood, located west of Chicago, several of the elementary schools are on academic warning.

How do you expose children to the joy of reading when they do not have the proper opportunities? Maywood Fine Arts Association, an arts education venue serving 700 students in downtown Maywood, is helping tackle this issue. Through its drama, dance, voice and music programs, the staff of **Maywood Fine Arts Association** created Books Alive.

Books Alive interprets children's books through performances for young children held in libraries, parks and community centers. The Association's drama and dance students bring the books to life through their performances in lively colored costumes, with imaginative set designs and music.

Teachers immediately recognize a spark in their young students after seeing the performances. They are thankful for a program that assists students with reading comprehension and unleashes their imagination.

Chicago Tribune Foundation is a proud supporter of Maywood Fine Arts Association.



To encourage Chicago's youth to write, read, learn and understand news, Chicago Tribune publishes The Mash, a teen newspaper and literacy program that provides students the opportunity to develop their reporting and writing skills under the direction of Tribune editors. **The Mash** is published once a week throughout the school year and delivered to more than 260 high schools and community centers. It is also available online at [themash.com](http://themash.com).





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## JOVANI IS RUNNING TOWARDS AN EDUCATIONAL DREAM.

Jovani came to the U. S. at the age of 12. Even though he has a supportive family, he had a hard time adjusting to living in Chicago. Initially, Jovani struggled to learn English and greatly missed his homeland culture. There were moments when he did not want to attend school because he felt intimidated, and none of his teachers spoke Spanish.

Seeing first-hand the hard work and sacrifices that his parents made to support his family, Jovani decided to put that same work ethic in practice and dedicated himself to learning English and doing well in school. He excelled on the high school track team and challenged himself to develop great self-discipline through running.

Jovani looks up to his two older brothers who wanted to attend college but were unable due to cost. Interested in engineering, Jovani's goal is to get a college education, regardless of the challenges ahead. He is working with **Enlace Chicago** to achieve his educational goals. Enlace creates a college-bound culture in the Little Village Lawndale community by helping seniors and their families with college applications, scholarship assistance, internships and field trips. Chicago Tribune Charities is proud to fund these efforts to help first-generation college students and their families pursue action plans for college success and career pathways for bright students like Jovani.

Thank you for giving Enlace the help that they need. Enlace has used this help successfully, because thanks to this organization I am able to complete scholarships. Enlace has help me along the road to complete and accomplish many of these scholarships that will help me greatly in the future.

Dear Funder,

Thank You! Because of your organization I have been able to apply for scholarships.

## ANNE AND HER CHILDREN RECEIVED HELP. NOW SHE PROVIDES IT.

Many years ago, Anne was a frightened wife and young mother with two small children under the age of four. During a church service, her pastor mentioned the name of a nonprofit that serves women in domestic violence situations. Deeply depressed and ready to give up, Anne made a phone call to the organization. This pivotal phone call became her path out of a terrifying marriage. The support and encouragement from South Suburban Family Shelter was liberating. "You can do it, you are strong enough, you are ready now," they taught her. Slowly, Anne began to believe.

Anne re-built her life. Today, she is a leader in domestic violence prevention and actively gives back to the community that changed her family's lives for the better.

**South Suburban Family Shelter** provides comprehensive services addressing domestic violence. Its children's counseling program receives funding from Chicago Tribune Charities. Counseling support is imperative in helping reduce the effects of trauma on children who have witnessed domestic violence. With this help, children can acquire positive behavior patterns, improve emotional wellness, and develop confidence.

THANK YOU

Thank you for helping me

Dear Donors,  
Thank you for all your support

## GERNELL IS BUILDING HOPE FROM POVERTY TO PATHWAYS.

Gernell is a motivated business solutions manager at **North Lawndale Employment Network**. The Network assists North Lawndale residents address barriers to employment and helps them secure jobs with family supporting wages.

To enhance her job development and placement potential, Gernell sought training from the **Chicago Jobs Council's** frontline program. Her goals were to increase her network of employers and learn additional methods to match clients with employers. She put these practices immediately to work. One of her clients, with a criminal background, was hired by the Network's social enterprise program, where he demonstrated a strong work ethic. Gernell matched his abilities with a large grocery store chain in her new network of potential employers. Impressed with her client's presentation, the grocery store manager hired him. Two months later, the manager indicated how pleased he was with her client's work ethic and customer service skills - a great job fit for both employer and employee.

Gernell's initiative and the training she received from North Lawndale Employment Network and Chicago Jobs Council helped write this success story. Both organizations receive support from Chicago Tribune Charities. Your generous donations bring job skills programs and literacy training to help low-income adults. With this support, families have new opportunities to develop economic self-sufficiency, ensuring a brighter future for everyone.

Thanks to your trainings, I have been able to better match employer needs with that of job seekers, and you have also provided excellent efficiency tools for managing client relationships. Thank you!



# THANK YOU FOR GIVING SO MUCH.

**Chicago Tribune  
Charities**  
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Through Chicago Tribune Charities, the McCormick Foundation granted more than \$4 million in 2013 to nonprofit programs and initiatives in the city and suburbs that help improve the lives of at-risk youth and families. These programs include the organizations below, plus \$400,000 to nonprofit organizations that address the issues of hunger and homelessness.

The funds raised to support these nonprofit organizations come from our generous donors throughout the year, and particularly during the Chicago Tribune Holiday Giving campaign. Each donation receives a match of 50 cents on the dollar from the McCormick Foundation, allowing

for even greater impact. Chicago Tribune and the McCormick Foundation cover all administration and promotional expenses so that 100% of each donation goes to support nonprofit programs and maximizes the impact of contributions.

Since its inception, more than \$108 million in charitable grants have been made through Chicago Tribune Charities. We are honored that our partnership with the McCormick Foundation, nonprofits and readers has helped so many people. Thank you for your support in helping further our vision of a brighter tomorrow for everyone.

## CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION & TREATMENT

Grants support positive parenting, child abuse and domestic violence prevention programs of nonprofit organizations through child counseling, family support and home-visiting services. The category also supports advocacy and technical assistance programs that enhance services to families.

\$37,500	Beacon Therapeutic School (Chicago)
\$35,000	Between Friends (Chicago)
\$40,000	Bridge Youth & Family Services (Palatine)
\$97,500	Chicago Children's Advocacy Center (Chicago)
\$20,000	Children's Advocacy Center of North and Northwest Cook County (Hoffman Estates)
\$45,000	Christopher House (Chicago)
\$30,000	Connections for Abused Women and their Children (Chicago)
\$27,500	Crisis Center for South Suburbia (Tinley Park)
\$52,500	Family Rescue (Chicago)
\$37,500	Family Shelter Service (Wheaton)
\$30,000	Hektoen Institute for Medical Research (Chicago)
\$45,000	Juvenile Protective Association (Chicago)
\$30,000	La Rabida Children's Hospital and Research Center (Chicago)
\$22,500	Lydia Home Association (Chicago)
\$30,000	Mujeres Latinas en Acción (Chicago)
\$45,000	One Hope United Northern Region (Lake Villa)
\$37,500	Parenthesis (Oak Park)
\$30,000	Pillars Community Services (La Grange Park)
\$30,000	Sarah's Inn (Oak Park)
\$45,000	South Suburban Family Shelter (Homewood)
\$52,500	Teen Parent Connection (Glen Ellyn)
\$40,000	Women's Treatment Center (Chicago)
\$40,000	Zacharias Sexual Abuse Center (Gurnee)

\$900,000 TOTAL FAMILY STRENGTHENING

## CHILD AND YOUTH EDUCATION

Grants support nonprofit organizations that help students from low-income families successfully transition through key stages in their academic career and enter post-secondary programs. The two key stages include: 1) reading proficiently by the end of third grade and 2) successful completion of high school and entering a post-secondary situation.

\$30,000	Association House of Chicago (Chicago)
\$30,000	Center for Companies That Care (Chicago)
\$30,000	Centro Romero (Chicago)
\$38,000	Chicago Youth Programs (Chicago)
\$25,000	Children's Home & Aid Society of Illinois (Chicago)
\$143,000	Children's Literacy Initiative (Chicago)
\$60,000	El Valor Corporation (Chicago)
\$143,000	Enlace Chicago (Chicago)
\$60,000	Erie Neighborhood House (Chicago)
\$38,000	Glen Ellyn Community Resource Center (Glen Ellyn)
\$33,000	Howard Area Community Center (Chicago)
\$50,000	OneGoal (Chicago)
\$30,000	Tutoring Chicago (Chicago)
\$42,000	Umoja Student Development Corporation (Chicago)
\$70,000	University of Chicago (Chicago)
\$78,000	Youth Guidance (Chicago)

\$900,000 TOTAL CHILD AND YOUTH EDUCATION

## LITERACY

Grants support modified (workforce-enhanced) Adult Basic Education (ABE), and English as a Second Language (ESL) programs that help low-income adults raise their reading and English proficiency levels to meet eligibility requirements for job training, high school equivalency GED classes, and/or post-secondary education programs.

\$20,000	Aquinas Literacy Center (Chicago)
\$10,000	Asian Human Services of Chicago (Chicago)
\$37,500	Association House of Chicago (Chicago)
\$80,000	Chicago Citywide Literacy Coalition (Chicago)
\$40,000	Christopher House (Chicago)
\$15,000	Corazón a Corazón (Chicago)
\$82,500	De La Salle Institute (Chicago)
\$40,000	Erie Neighborhood House (Chicago)
\$30,000	Friends of McHenry County College Foundation (Crystal Lake)
\$35,000	Institute for Latino Progress (Instituto del Progreso Latino) (Chicago)
\$35,000	Jane Addams Resource Corporation (Chicago)
\$20,000	Jewish Vocational Service (Chicago)
\$25,000	Korean American Community Services (Chicago)
\$15,000	Korean American Resource and Cultural Center (Chicago)
\$35,000	Latin Center - Universidad Popular (Chicago)
\$90,000	Literacy Works (Chicago)
\$35,000	Morton College (Cicero)
\$50,000	National Latino Education Institute (Chicago)
\$25,000	Oakton Community College Educational Foundation (Des Plaines)
\$45,000	Poder Learning Center (Chicago)
\$25,000	Public Agenda Foundation (New York)
\$65,000	Pui Tak Center (Chicago)
\$45,000	World Relief DuPage/Aurora (Wheaton)

\$900,000 TOTAL ADULT LITERACY

## WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Grants support community-based vocational and employment programs for people in poverty and skills training for low-income youth. The category also supports advocacy and technical assistance endeavors which promote improvement in the workforce development system, increase resources available to disadvantaged job seekers, and enhance the quality of service delivery.

\$40,000	Breaking Ground (Chicago)
\$100,000	Cara Program (Chicago)
\$55,000	Chicago House and Social Service Agency (Chicago)
\$90,000	Chicago Jobs Council (Chicago)
\$40,000	Inner-City Computer Stars Foundation (Chicago)
\$75,000	Inspiration Corporation (Chicago)
\$70,000	Institute for Latino Progress (Instituto del Progreso Latino) (Chicago)
\$55,000	National Able Network (Chicago)
\$55,000	National Latino Education Institute (Chicago)
\$70,000	North Lawndale Employment Network (Chicago)
\$40,000	Safer Foundation (Chicago)
\$25,000	St. Leonard's Ministries (Chicago)
\$75,000	Women Employed (Chicago)
\$35,000	Year Up (Chicago)
\$50,000	Youth Guidance (Chicago)
\$25,000	Youth Job Center of Evanston (Evanston)

\$900,000 TOTAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

## SECTOR BUILDING

Grants support programs that provide systemic or training programs to improve the field.  
\$30,000 Christopher House (Chicago)



# THANK YOU FOR CARING.

Your donation to Chicago Tribune Charities will make a big impact on families in need. The McCormick Foundation matches all gifts at fifty cents on the dollar.

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