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2016-17 COMMUNITY REPORT
On Behalf of the Entire Chicago Blackhawks Organization, We Are Proud to Share Our 2016-17 Chicago Blackhawks Charities Annual Report.

We have always believed that our success is measured not solely by accomplishments on the ice, but also by our impact in the communities we call home. By that measure, thanks to your generous support, this past year was an exceptional one.

To truly understand our commitment, look no further than two blocks south of the United Center, where the Community Ice Arena will not only become home to the team’s new practice facility but also serve as a rink for the community. With the $65 million, privately funded, 125,000-square-foot facility set to open this winter, we will be offering community benefits valued at approximately $3 million over the first five years for Chicago’s underprivileged youth.

Beyond the facility, Chicago Blackhawks Charities continues to teach Chicago children to learn and play the sport we all love so much. This past year 90,000 students and new players were introduced to hockey for the first time through our Little Blackhawks and Get Out And Learn programs. The learning continues off the ice as well. This year, the Blackhawks hosted a reading program to motivate young minds through a little healthy competition between schools, and the classroom that read the most received a special visit from a Blackhawks player.

In addition, this past year CBC raised over $2.5 million, providing funds to support programs and organizations that share our belief that together we can build a better community for all. With a focus on health, wellness, education and housing, CBC continues to strive toward creating a better tomorrow for our neighbors and all of Chicagoland. For example, this year we saw 3,310 Chicagoland families receive assistance with new or existing housing.

As we reflect on our accomplishments this year, we keep an eye on the future. With your support, we will continue to set and meet ambitious goals, striving to make an even greater impact on those who need our support the most.

On behalf of the entire Chicago Blackhawks organization, thank you for your support, your friendship and your continued partnership.

Sincerely,

W. Rockwell Wirtz
Chairman, Chicago Blackhawks
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OUR MISSION

As the official charity of the Chicago Blackhawks, Chicago Blackhawks Charities pledges to support programs and institutions throughout Illinois that work toward creating a better tomorrow. Chicago Blackhawks Charities focuses on health and wellness, education and housing, striving to serve local citizens and impact the lives of youth and their families in and around the city of Chicago.

OUR STORY

Since its inception in October 1993, Chicago Blackhawks Charities (CBC) has granted over $16 million to local nonprofit organizations that fit within our mission. Through interactions with our fans at games, participation in community events and partnerships with other local charitable organizations, CBC has worked to become an integral part of improving the city of Chicago. The growth of the Youth Hockey and Tommy Hawk programs has helped us accomplish more by expanding hockey’s reach. Through these various programs and initiatives, CBC is committed to serving the people of Chicago.
COMMUNITY IMPACT

$2.5M raised throughout the 2016-17 season

OVER

750,000

CLIENTS SERVED by programs that received grants from CBC and the Chicago Blackhawks Community Fund, a McCormick Foundation Fund.

1,400

IN-KIND DONATIONS of Blackhawks merchandise or game tickets

90,000

STUDENTS in Chicago schools affiliated with CBC education programs

12,237

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1,400

FAMILIES received assistance with existing or new housing

3,310

STUDENTS were introduced to hockey for the first time through Little Blackhawks and G.O.A.L. programs

OVER

1994

$250K

1995

$209K

1996

$297K

1997

$696K

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$773K

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$740K

2000

$650K

2001

$387K

2002

$395K

2003

$505K

2004

$475K

2005

$575K

2006

$764K

2007

$743K

2008

$733K

2009

$700K

2010

$1.085M

2011

$1M

2012

$1.092M

2013

$1.112M

2014

$2.052M

2015

$2.215M

2016

$2.473M

2017

$2.5M

Data for 2008 not available.
Year after year, the Blackhawks organization seeks new ways to improve the lives of those we are fortunate to call our neighbors. We are proud to support new initiatives that focus on education, civic engagement and environmental sustainability, to benefit our greater community.
COMMUNITY ICE ARENA

Later this year we will honor this commitment with the opening of our state-of-the-art, $65 million, privately funded community ice arena. The 125,000-square-foot facility will serve as a center of activity for children and adults throughout the area. More importantly, the Chicago Blackhawks, in partnership with Chicago Blackhawks Charities, will be offering community benefits valued at approximately $3 million over the first five years for Chicago’s underprivileged youth. All told, approximately 94 percent of the arena’s use will be for community, youth and adult programming.
BLACKHAWKS BRUSHSTROKES
During the holiday season Chicago Blackhawks Charities sold limited edition holiday cards based on paintings designed by members of the 2016-17 team. There were 10 total card designs created by forwards Marian Hossa, Patrick Kane, Marcus Kruger, Artemi Panarin, Nick Schmaltz and Jonathan Toews; defensemen Brian Campbell and Niklas Hjalmarsson; and goaltenders Corey Crawford and Scott Darling. The original paintings were auctioned off, raising over $19,000 for CBC.

TOP RIGHT: Crawford works on his holiday masterpiece before it’s turned into a card and sold to fans for CBC.

NHL LEGACY TREE PROJECT
As hosts of the 2017 NHL Draft, the Chicago Blackhawks planted 31 trees around Chicagoland to represent all the teams in the NHL. Patrick Kane and alumus Daniel Carcillo planted 10 trees near the United Center as a visible reminder of the NHL’s commitment to the environment and sustainability. Students from Suder Montessori Elementary were invited to take part in the tree planting process.

NEW VENTURES

REDUCTION
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Chicago Blackhawks Charities is committed to supporting Illinois programs and institutions that work toward creating a better tomorrow for the youth of today. In addition to our own initiatives, CBC supports the programs founded by the National Hockey League. We are dedicated to impacting the lives of individuals through an array of special events and outings, along with numerous community programs throughout Illinois.

Jonathan Toews works with the Kitchen Community, a group that brings gardening to schools and teaches kids about taking care of their bodies.
MAKE-A-WISH
Chicago Blackhawks Charities teamed up with Make-A-Wish last season to grant wishes for three special Blackhawks fans. Liam, a 13-year-old from Las Vegas, got to spend time with his hero, Patrick Kane. He was given a tour of the locker room and an opportunity to go on the ice and take a photo with the team. Riley, an Alberta teen recovering from Burkitt lymphoma, suited up to take part in Blackhawks morning skate at the United Center. He played goalie and took pointers from his favorite player, Corey Crawford. Lauren, a teenager with a brain tumor, watched practice and took lunchtime with her favorite Blackhawks, Jonathan Toews and Patrick Kane. She also enjoyed a special skating event at the Blackhawks Store.

LEFT: Kane gives Liam a few on-ice pointers during his time at the United Center. TOP RIGHT: Toews and Lauren eat lunch after a Blackhawks practice. BOTTOM RIGHT: Riley meets Duncan Keith and Brent Seabrook before spending time with Crawford in the net.

GO GREEN
In partnership with Constellation and the Chicago Bulls, the Blackhawks teamed up with Girls in the Game to host a Go Green event to end their summer camp program. Girls in the Game camps rotate in shifts to spend time learning how to play street hockey alongside Team USA hockey player Kendall Coyne. Tommy Hawk also made an appearance to wish the campers well on their final day.

TOMMY HAWK’S SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES
Tommy Hawk’s Teamwork Time Out School Assemblies is an interactive school assembly that aims to educate and entertain students. The focus of the assembly is teamwork and getting students to use character counts to identify a good team member. Tommy Hawk has reached thousands of students with his message of teamwork and working together. The students take away valuable life lessons that will translate into their everyday lives. Students and teachers can both get a good laugh from Tommy Hawk’s antics while learning valuable life lessons!
HOCKEY IS FOR EVERYONE
On February 18, 2017, the Blackhawks hosted Hockey is For Everyone Night at the United Center. During the game, the Chicago Gay Hockey Association, You Can Play and other organizations hosted informational tables on the concourse where fans learned more about each organization and how they can get involved. In support of Hockey is For Everyone, a hockey clinic was hosted at Center on Halsted, and Hockey on Your Block screened “Soul on Ice: Past, Present and Future” and hosted a panel including Blackhawks alumnae Jamey Moyer. You Can Play is dedicated to ensuring equality, respect and safety for all athletes regardless of sexual orientation and gender identity. You Can Play works to guarantee that athletes are given a fair opportunity to compete, judged by other athletes and fans only by what they contribute to the sport and their team’s success.

TOP LEFT: Corey Crawford and the Blackhawks warm up with rainbow tape on their sticks in support of Hockey is For Everyone. BOTTOM LEFT: Blackhawks alumnu Ben Eager stands during the hockey clinic supporting the cause.

USA WARRIORS
The Blackhawks hosted the USA Warriors Hockey Team over the weekend of January 20-22, 2017. USA Warriors sent a stand-up team to the United Center in Chicago to play games, teach clinics to youth hockey players and watch the Blackhawks.

LURIE CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL VISIT
In December 2016, Blackhawks players and coaches visited Lurie Children’s Hospital. They met with families, visited with patients and delivered toys to help celebrate the holiday season. LEFT: Patrick Kane and Dennis Rasmussen introduced themselves and spent time with a patient.

SHIRLEY RYAN ABILITY LAB PLAYROOM
Chicago Blackhawks Charities is the proud sponsor of a child-life playroom on the pediatric level at the Shirley Ryan Ability Lab. The Pediatric Innovation Center provides the best care to patients, and the Chicago Blackhawks Child Life Playroom is a place for them to get away from their treatments and take time for themselves.
Throughout the season, Chicago Blackhawks Charities hosts various organizations, benefit nights and activities to involve the community around the Chicagoland area. Veterans and active military members are honored, CBC partners gain exposure, and fans experience the game in a whole new way. Thank you, fans, for giving us the opportunity to offer these experiences and help those around us.

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BOOK DRIVE
Presented by Dover
CBC collected new and lightly used books from fans. More than 2,500 books were donated, and these were given to organizations that serve families who are facing economic difficulties.

FOOD DRIVE
Presented by Brio’s Pies
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USO/MILITARY TICKETS
Presented by Boeing
During every Blackhawks home game, an active service member and a military veteran are honored on the ice with anthem singer Jim Cornelison during the singing of "The Star-Spangled Banner." The Boeing Company provides tickets for each service member and their guest, and sponsors a "Salute" for the honored guests during a break in game action. To commemorate the experience, these honorees are sent a video and photos. LAYF, Veterans and active military members are honored for their service on the ice during the national anthem.

VETERANS DAY
On Nov. 11, 2016, the Blackhawks recognized Veterans Day by inviting active military members and veterans from all five branches to participate in the game presentation. During the national anthem, 75 participants walked onto the ice, and during the second period, military members throughout the arena stood to be honored for their service to our country. Blackhawks players and coaches wore unique camo jerseys and ties that were auctioned off to benefit USO Illinois.

GRANT RECIPIENT AWARENESS
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During the second intermission of each game, the Shoot the Puck contest included a participant from our grant recipients or another charity in the Chicago area. This opportunity allowed each participant to publicize the work of the organization they represent with the crowd and those watching the game on television, and share information about how they partner with Chicago Blackhawks Charities.

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Most Chicago Blackhawks Charities fundraising comes from our fans during in-game activities. Together, our supporters have helped us raise more than $2.5 million to distribute to our grant recipients. In addition, CBC has partnered with other nonprofit organizations to help support their fundraising efforts by donating a percentage of funds raised during games.

Last year’s Four Feathers Golf Invitational raised over $430,000 for CBC.
BEARD-A-THON
This year the Beard-A-Thon raised over $7,000 during the First Round of the 2017 Stanley Cup Playoffs through donations to players’ and fans’ playoff beards.

BIRTHDAYS AND GROUP WELCOMES
Want to wish a friend happy birthday or give a shoutout on the scoreboard? For a $100 donation to CBC, your message will appear during a game. Nearly $39,700 was donated this way during the 2016-17 season!

PICK-A-PUCK
Mystery puck sales throughout the season brought in over $54,000 for CBC. Fans can make a $30 donation to receive a puck autographed by one of the current Blackhawks players.

SPECIALTY AUCTIONS
For Hockey Fights Cancer Night, Veterans Day and St. Patrick’s Day, the team wore specialty warmup jerseys, and coaches and broadcasters wore themed ties. These were later auctioned off, raising more than $131,000 for CBC. Jonathan Toews warms up in a specialty jersey for St. Patrick’s Day.

SILENT AUCTION
During each home game, Chicago Blackhawks Charities holds a Silent Auction featuring unique, player-autographed items located at Sections 104 and 333. During the 2016-17 season, CBC raised $362,000 through the Silent Auction. To participate in the in-game auctions, text “Blackhawks” to 521-82 and follow the prompts to register.

FOUR FEATHERS GOLF INVITATIONAL
The annual Four Feathers Golf Invitational is Chicago Blackhawks Charities’ biggest fundraising event of the season. Last year the event was held at the prestigious Medinah Country Club and raised $433,292 for CBC. This high-class event features the entire Blackhawks hockey team and former Blackhawks greats teamed with each foursome, lunch, dinner, auctions and more. Every member of the Blackhawks family attends this event, including the players, coaching staff, front office staff, Breakthrough Beverage, media, and sponsors. Four moreers (center, left, Dennis) and the rest of their group get ready to tee off.

SPLIT THE POT RAFFLE
Chicago Blackhawks Charities holds a Split the Pot raffle during each home game. One lucky fan walks home with 50 percent of the net proceeds from that night’s raffle ticket sales, and the other 50 percent benefits CBC. Nearly $1.3 million was raised last season!

ZAMBONI RIDES
For a $500 donation to Chicago Blackhawks Charities, Blackhawks fans can ride the Zamboni at a Blackhawks home game. Each rider will also receive a photo as a memento of the experience. Zamboni rides are available during pregame and both intermissions. Subject to availability with at least a 48-hour notice. Riders must be at least 48 inches tall. Mruntime: 15. It’s like riding the Zamboni before a Blackhawks game.
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HEALTH AND WELLNESS

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NEIGHBORS’ DEVELOPMENT NETWORK • neighbors.org • Grant funded programs for children on the Near West Side of Chicago that educate them on healthy eating and provide opportunities to engage in physical recreation through the summer running lab.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES • rmhccni.org • Grant supported the Ronald McDonald House associated with Lurie Children’s Hospital in downtown Chicago, serving families of young patients and allowing them to have a home away from home during their health struggles.

SHIRLEY RYAN ABILITY LAB • shirleyabilitylab.org • Grant funded the Shirley Ryan AbilityLab, which offers services to people with disabilities to participate in sports such as sit hockey, wheelchair rugby, softball, basketball, road cycling and adaptive golf, as well as providing a life-changing playground on the Pediatric Floor of the new hospital.

UNITED SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS OF ILLINOIS, INC. (USO OF ILLINOIS) • usoofillinois.org • Grant supported various USO of Illinois youth programs such as Discovery Kids, United Through Reading and Camp R&R, which are designed to entertain and support the children and teens of the armed forces community.

URBAN INITIATIVES • urbaninitiatives.org • Grant funded the Work to Play program, serving kindergarten through 4th grade students in CPS. Work to Play is designed to change children’s attitudes and behaviors toward healthy eating and physical activity and encourage children to develop healthy behaviors and habits early in their lives.
EDUCATION

**BOTTOM LINE**
bottomline.org • Bottom Line’s mission is to help low-income, first-generation students get into college, graduate from college and go on to live fulfilling lives.

**EMBARC**
embarcchicago.org • Embarc’s goal is to drive student success with long-term social and cultural exposure. Students are awakened to the possibilities of their potential by dissolving the borders of the city and in their minds.

**THE FIELD MUSEUM**
of NATURAL HISTORY
fieldmuseum.org • The Field Museum has been providing educational programs to students and teachers since 1933. Our primary goal is to provide field trip experiences, this program provides a digital, interactive connection between the Museum and the classroom.

**GENESYS WORKS**
genesysworks.org • General funding for program expansion to support more of today’s low-income youth that are not prepared for tomorrow’s workforce.

**ONEGAL**
onegalgraduation.org • Grant funded OneGal’s new cohort of 25 students. OneGal delivers an innovative college persistence program to support children and youth in grades K-12 to achieve academic success, complete high school and enter post-secondary education.

**ONE MILLION DEGREES**
onemilliondegrees.org • Grant funded the Scholer Development Program, which allows OMD to provide services to more Chicago-area community college students, helping to fill the gap between financial aid and other costs of college, including books and technology, transportation and childcare expenses for parenting students.

**THE POSSE FOUNDATION**
possefoundation.org • The Posse model works for both students and college campuses and is rooted in the belief that a small, diverse group of talented students — a Posse — that is carefully selected and trained can serve as a catalyst for increased individual and community development.

**SOS CHILDREN’S VILLAGES ILLINOIS**
sosciv.org • Grant funded the College Bound and Beyond Program, which provides supplementary academic support to ensure that every foster child graduates high school and either attends college or obtains full-time employment.

**THRIVE**
thrivechicago.org • Grant supported the entire Thrive Chicago initiative, specifically allowing for a Project Specialist dedicated to advancing students’ high school graduation, college readiness and college enrollment initiatives.

**TRICKSTER ART GALLERY**
trickstergallery.com • Grant funded programming at the Gallery, including cultural education programs showcasing the history of Native American, interactive workshops, a Native library and economic development initiatives.

**UMOJA STUDENT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**
umojaeducation.org • Grant funded the College and Career Readiness Program. This program works with the entire senior class at Marthy High School to ensure that every student graduates with a postsecondary plan and is ready and able to achieve their goals.

**CENTER ON HALSTED**
centeronhalsted.org • Supports the Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Housing for homeless youth ages 18 to 24, which recognizes that youth need support as they transition to adulthood, that different youth need different types of support and that a “one-size-fits-all” approach is inadequate, and that homeless youth are unique from homeless adults and constitute a niche group within the larger homeless population that requires specialized services.

**PRIMO CENTER FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN**
primocenter.org • Staff of the Primo Center to provide intern and permanent supportive housing for homeless families plus essential supportive and behavioral health services. This center of supportive housing plus services creates a therapeutic community where homelessness/familial loss are healed and their independence.

**SALUTE, INC.**
saluteinc.org • Grant provides general funding to make an impact in the lives of over 2,000 military families who would have fallen through the cracks due to financial hardships and existing pressures on married military members who are currently experiencing the effects of the economic challenges facing our country with so much to contribute.

**TEEN LIVING PROGRAMS**
teenliving.org • Grant supported the Whole Health programs, which address the health and wellness needs of homeless young people who are contending with a wide range of complex issues. Whole Health strives to increase the youth’s ability to achieve self-sufficiency and lead healthier lives.

**ALL CHICAGO**
allchicago.org • Flexible Financial Fund that partners with community organizations to distribute funds to meet the temporary needs of low-income families.

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FAN DEVELOPMENT

Jamal Mayers and top prospects teach a youth hockey clinic prior to the NHL Draft as part of the Blackhawks Fan Fest.
HOCKEY CAMPS
Presented by Freshwave and Floor & Decor
Led by U.S. Hockey Hall of Famer Eddie Olczyk, weekly summer camps are open to all levels of skaters. Camps for boys and girls are conducted from June through August at various area hockey rinks. There are three daily camps for kids ages 5-12, as well as one designed exclusively for girls ages 9-14 and second-year Peewees and Bantams.

ILLINOIS HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS
Presented by Chicagoland & NW Indiana Chevy Dealers, CSN, Coca-Cola and Precision Control Systems
The Illinois State High School Hockey Championship is a competition designed to raise the visibility of hockey in Illinois while providing competitors with the opportunity to play at the United Center. There are three championship games played throughout the day. The Blackhawks work with AHAI to put on the event and to provide banners, hats and a trophy to the winners.

3x3 HOCKEY SERIES
Fan Development hosts bi-annual 3x3 tournaments for Chicago hockey players (Mite through Peewee). Depending on building availability, our holiday tournament is hosted at the United Center and our summer tournament takes place at a local rink.

MINI 1v1
Youth hockey hosted a Mini 1v1 Tournament at the United Center and accompanied the winners to the 2017 All-Star Game in Los Angeles to compete against other states and enjoy the All-Star experience.

FAN DEVELOPMENT
run through our rink partners. Chicago Park District free outdoor clinics are to Play, Alumni Clinics, Little Blackhawks and Indiana and Wisconsin. MinorHawks Learn more than 70 rink partners throughout Illinois, establishment of relationships with AHAI’s the growth of the sport by aiding in the The Rink Partnership Program is vital to RINK PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM taught by a Blackhawks legend. an opportunity for kids of all ages to be reach out to fans in local rinks and provide an opportunity for kids of all ages to be taught by a Blackhawks legend. With the help of Blackhawks alumni Daniel Carcillo, Ben Eager, Steve Konroyd, Troy Murray, Marian, Denis Savard and Jamal Mayers, Carcillo, Ben Eager, Steve Konroyd, Troy Murray, Eddie Olczyk, one that supports young hockey players and teams in Illinois who may not have the means to play at a competitive level. The Get Out and Learn (G.O.A.L.) program introduces hockey at the grassroots level to kids who may not otherwise have the opportunity to try hockey, bringing the game to schools, community centers and other places where kids can play in safe, structured environments. Fan Development reaches 150 schools last year, teaching two hour-long clinics at each school. Teachers and principals receive training at the United Center, and each school received 20 sets of gear, a banner, school kits and set of pinnies. Free Fan Development two-hour clinics were open to all. Additionally, during the month of February, 9,000 students participated in the Toews Teamwork Challenge, which encourages exercise and healthy choices with a month-long fitness initiative. INTERMISSION SKATES Sponsored by Meijer, Presented by EOA. Kids can take a break from the game and attend a Hurricanes intermission skate. Twelve Mite and Squirt players participate in an intermission skate. The opportunity takes place prior to the first intermission of home games and requires a $10 ticket purchase. Players receive a banner, a participant certificate and a limited edition jersey. JUNIORHAWKS Sponsored by Meijer. JuniorHawks gives younger hockey league the opportunity to experience being a pro for a day. Teams play at the United Center prior to attending a home game the next night. JuniorHawks players receive a jersey as well as a chance to meet Blackhawks representatives, coaches and players. GET OUT AND LEARN (G.O.A.L.) The Get Out and Learn (G.O.A.L.) program introduces hockey at the grassroots level to kids who may not otherwise have the opportunity to try hockey, bringing the game to schools, community centers and other places where kids can play in safe, structured environments. Fan Development reaches 150 schools last year, teaching two hour-long clinics at each school. Teachers and principals receive training at the United Center, and each school received 20 sets of gear, a banner, school kits and set of pinnies. Free Fan Development two-hour clinics were open to all. Additionally, during the month of February, 9,000 students participated in the Toews Teamwork Challenge, which encourages exercise and healthy choices with a month-long fitness initiative. INTERMISSION SKATES Sponsored by Meijer, Presented by EOA. Kids can take a break from the game and attend a Hurricanes intermission skate. Twelve Mite and Squirt players participate in an intermission skate. The opportunity takes place prior to the first intermission of home games and requires a $10 ticket purchase. Players receive a banner, a participant certificate and a limited edition jersey. JUNIORHAWKS Sponsored by Meijer. JuniorHawks gives younger hockey league the opportunity to experience being a pro for a day. Teams play at the United Center prior to attending a home game the next night. JuniorHawks players receive a jersey as well as a chance to meet Blackhawks representatives, coaches and players.