

REVIEW OF FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTIONS

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Kirkland & Ellis Foundation



## About the Foundation

The Kirkland & Ellis Foundation was founded in 1982 for the purpose of providing financial support to not-for-profit, charitable and law-related organizations serving a wide range of communities, initiatives and people. The Foundation is funded through annual contributions made by Kirkland partners. Employees, associates and partners of the Firm can have charitable contributions matched through the Foundation's Employee Matching Program. Through matching gifts, the Foundation maximizes the impact of employee giving to causes that are important to both employees and the Firm.

The Foundation supports hundreds of efforts each year through its giving activities. The Foundation seeks to partner with organizations whose goals reflect our commitment to enhancing the quality of life in our communities. While the Foundation's predominant focus is on groups that help improve legal services, it also seeks to partner with organizations committed to enhancing the quality of life through improved healthcare, educational opportunities, cultural awareness, emergency relief and humanitarian efforts, youth programs, public policy and community outreaches.

The Foundation's support stretches across the world, serving entities of every size and purpose. This booklet offers an inside look into the Foundation and highlights a number of efforts and initiatives. We are honored to support these organizations and hope that you find this publication informative.

Organizations adhering to the principle that everyone should have equal access to justice play a significant role in improving the quality of life for the underprivileged. The Foundation supports providers of legal services to individuals who cannot afford legal assistance and to those who are denied their rights or do not fully understand them. We share the common goals of promoting legal reform, court reform, diversity and social justice.

### **Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center**

The Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center (APALRC) is devoted to improving the legal and civil rights of Asian Americans in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area by providing services, education and advocacy on important issues. The organization, with help from financial supporters like Kirkland, addresses the legal needs of Asian Americans of low income and limited-English proficiency and promotes changes on civil rights issues. The APALRC also provides a multilingual legal referral hotline, legal interpreters and legal assistance for domestic violence victims.

### **D.C. Bar Pro Bono Program**

The D.C. Bar Pro Bono Program enlists the help of the private bar to make legal advice and representation available to low-income individuals in Washington, D.C. Kirkland is proud to donate funds to help the Program run its advice, referral, bankruptcy and divorce clinics, community economic development project, and other initiatives. Financial contributions enable the Program to offer training and an informational Web site to pro bono attorneys.

### **The National Institute for Trial Advocacy**

The National Institute for Trial Advocacy (NITA) is comprised of professors, judges and practicing lawyers who are dedicated to improving the quality of advocacy in our courtrooms and promoting ethical behavior in the legal profession. This mission is achieved by teaching trial advocacy skills to lawyers, teachers of law and law students. Kirkland assists NITA in achieving its goals by providing financial gifts that help fund scholarships, public service programs and the general operation of the organization.





## Law Foundation of Silicon Valley

The Law Foundation of Silicon Valley, with financial assistance from Kirkland and other organizations, provides free multilingual legal advocacy, education and representation to low-income individuals. The Foundation's core areas include public interest law, mental health advocacy, AIDS legal services, legal advocacy for children and youth, and support for fair housing.

## New York Lawyers for the Public Interest

Kirkland is proud to partner with New York Lawyers for the Public Interest (NYLPI), a nonprofit, civil rights law firm. NYLPI helps underrepresented people with legal needs serve themselves and their communities. Donations from Kirkland help support NYLPI's initiatives, which include free legal assistance from volunteer lawyers, protection and advocacy for the civil rights of disabled individuals, legal assistance for low-income communities that bear the unfair burden of environmental threats, and access to quality healthcare for people in medically underserved communities.

## Western Center on Law & Poverty

The Western Center on Law & Poverty advances and enforces the rights of low-income Californians through education, negotiation and litigation. Kirkland, as a financial contributor, shares their goal to eradicate poverty through accessible healthcare, affordable housing and public assistance programs. The Center's successful response to needs involving tenants' rights, legal aid programs and foster care system reform has made a significant impact on communities throughout California.

## Additional Recipients

AIDS Legal Council of Chicago  
American Inns of Court Foundation  
Archdiocesan Legal Network  
Asian American Law Fund of New York  
CARPLS  
Chicago Bar Foundation  
Chicago Legal Clinic  
Chicago Volunteer Legal Services Foundation  
Council for Court Excellence  
Disability Rights Legal Center  
Federal Circuit Bar Association  
Lambda Legal  
Lawyers Alliance for New York  
Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law  
Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles  
Legal Aid Society

Legal Assistance Foundation of Metropolitan Chicago  
Los Angeles County Bar Foundation  
Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund  
Minority Corporate Counsel Association  
National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty  
NYCLA Foundation  
Public Counsel  
Public Interest Law Initiative  
Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law  
Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs  
Welfare Law Center  
Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles  
Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia

## Emergency Relief

Kirkland is proud to support humanitarian organizations and relief agencies that help victims of natural disasters and emergency situations. Our donations help ensure that these organizations continue to deliver lifesaving services and programs. Whether it is providing much-needed food and medicine or reuniting families, the work of these organizations has a lasting impact on the lives of those they help.

### American Red Cross

The American Red Cross provides disaster relief, community services, support for military members and their families, lifesaving blood donations, health and safety educational programs, and international relief programs. These services are provided without discrimination or bias. The organization's goals are to alleviate human suffering, protect life and health, and promote respect for all individuals.

### Providing Help Quickly

When complex emergencies require immediate action, Kirkland employees step up to support frontline activities. For example, in the month following the September 11 attacks, Kirkland raised more than \$635,000 to assist in related recovery efforts.

Hurricane Katrina is reported to be the most expensive disaster relief operation in U.S. history. Kirkland, as a community of caring individuals, responded to this need by donating more than \$330,000 to support aid in the region. The Firm's contribution helped the American Red Cross meet their \$2 billion fund-raising goal and will further help the organization supply hundreds of thousands of victims left homeless with critical necessities such as food, shelter and medical assistance.

### Save the Children

Save the Children promotes the well-being of children in the United States and around the world by providing healthcare, food, humanitarian relief, education and economic opportunities to those suffering from poverty due to war, political instability, famine and natural disasters. Kirkland and its employees, in a coordinated response to Save the Children's relief efforts in the wake of the tsunami in south Asia, donated in excess of \$275,000 to their "Asia Earthquake / Tidal Wave Relief Fund." The gift was the largest given by any law firm who donated to Save the Children's tsunami relief effort.

Other missions of the organization include hunger relief in Africa, alleviating the suffering of Central American victims of Hurricane Stan, rebuilding war-torn neighborhoods in Iraq, helping the displaced people of Sudan and rebuilding the lives of Hurricane Katrina's victims.

The Foundation supports groups that address myriad issues of public policy. These groups foster enlightened leadership and open-minded dialogue, engage appropriate resources to effect positive social changes, and generally promote the principles upon which our country was founded by providing forums to discuss and address social, economic and political issues.

### Street Law

Street Law creates curriculum materials and conducts training programs designed to increase the effective teaching of law, democracy and human rights in the United States and more than 30 other countries. These materials help people develop an understanding of their rights and responsibilities in society and encourage them to work with others to solve societal problems. Street Law depends on the generosity of donors like Kirkland to support their programs and aid in the dissemination of their educational materials.

### American Council on Germany

The American Council on Germany (ACG) is a nonpartisan organization which provides a forum for leaders from the business, government and media sectors to have an open dialogue regarding transatlantic issues important to the United States and Europe. The group seeks to initiate policy changes to solve transatlantic and global economic, political, and social problems. The organization began as a way to encourage understanding between Germany and America, but it has expanded to include issues important to the European Union. Funding from Kirkland and others allows ACG to award research fellowships and conduct policy programs to enrich Europe and U.S. relations.

## Culture & Arts

Culture and the arts expand horizons, nurture creativity and provide lifelong learning opportunities. The Foundation helps enrich our nation and its diverse cultural heritage by supporting organizations that advance artistic excellence and education, and strengthen cultural activities in communities throughout the country.

### Smithsonian Institution

The Smithsonian Institution is committed to promoting the understanding of our national identity and American heritage by providing experiences that link us to our history. It is the largest museum and research complex in the world, with 18 museums, 140 affiliate museums, nine research centers and millions of annual visitors. Kirkland and other contributing organizations enable the Institution to continue its tradition of scientific research, educational outreaches and thought-provoking exhibitions.

### Goodman Theatre

The Goodman Theatre, a professional repertory company and school of drama established in 1925 by the Art Institute of Chicago, is the oldest nonprofit, resident theatre company in Chicago. Kirkland is a proud supporter of the Goodman Theatre. Financial contributions from organizations like Kirkland facilitate the continuation of the Theatre's education and community programs and help keep its productions affordable and accessible.

### Lyric Opera of Chicago

The Lyric Opera of Chicago opened in 1954 with the purpose of bringing world-class operatic productions to the city. The performances include the very best singers, conductors, directors, designers, choreographers and dancers in an extensive repertoire. Financial giving from Kirkland is used to support productions, close the gap between ticket prices and the true cost of producing quality opera, and make educational programs for children and the community possible.



## Washington Bach Consort

The Washington Bach Consort is an internationally acclaimed Baroque chorus and orchestra that promotes an appreciation of the music of J.S. Bach and his Baroque contemporaries. The Consort achieves its mission to foster a greater understanding of Bach's music by presenting concerts, producing recordings and providing music education programs. Kirkland takes part in a tradition of generosity that provides financial support for the Consort's education and outreach initiatives.

## Additional Recipients

Art Institute of Chicago  
Chicago Humanities Festival  
Chicago Shakespeare Theater  
Chicago Symphony Orchestra  
Court Theatre  
Field Museum  
Historical Society of the District of Columbia Circuit  
Holocaust Memorial Foundation of Illinois  
Intrepid Foundation  
Landmarks Preservation Council of Illinois  
Museum of Contemporary Art  
Museum of Science and Industry  
Music and Dance Theatre  
Music of the Baroque  
Public Theater  
Ragdale Foundation  
Steppenwolf Theatre Company

The Foundation actively contributes to groups that focus on improving individual and community health. In addition to raising awareness of healthcare issues, these groups fund medical research and promote improved healthcare among vulnerable individuals through prevention, diagnosis and treatment. They provide valuable information in an increasingly complex health system.

### **American Heart Association**

The American Heart Association is a national voluntary health agency with the mission to reduce disabilities and death related to cardiovascular disease and stroke. Kirkland is proud to support the American Heart Association's efforts through financial contributions. These funds help the organization conduct important research on heart disease and stroke; create programs geared to the public about prevention and treatment; improve the knowledge, skills and techniques of healthcare professionals; and provide training in the areas of emergency aid and blood pressure screenings.

### **Breast Cancer 3-Day**

Thousands of people in cities across the country walk 60 miles over the course of three days in the Breast Cancer 3-Day event. This annual event raises money to bring breast cancer care to those who need it most. The Kirkland community is proud to honor those who have lost their lives to the disease, as well as those who are survivors, with contributions that benefit the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. The Foundation funds research, education, screening, treatment and various breast cancer programs.

### **Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation**

The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation is the leading charitable funder and advocate of juvenile diabetes research worldwide. The organization's mission is to find a cure for diabetes and its complications through the support of research. Donations from Kirkland help fund innovative research by scientists from a wide variety of disciplines, develop research-related education for juvenile diabetes and raise awareness among the nation's legislators. These donations have assisted the organization in making scientific breakthroughs in juvenile diabetes research.





## **American Cancer Society**

The American Cancer Society is a nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization committed to eliminating cancer as a major health problem. It is the largest source of private not-for-profit cancer research funds in the United States. Financial support from Kirkland and others allows the Society to fund research, deliver information to the public, promote policies, laws and regulations that benefit patients and families affected by the disease, and establish programs that educate communities about cancer prevention, early detection, treatment and survival.

## **Additional Recipients**

Arthritis Foundation  
Children Affected by AIDS Foundation  
Children's Heart Foundation  
Children's Mercy Hospital  
City of Hope  
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute  
Friends of Prentice  
Huggy Bears  
Leukemia & Lymphoma Society  
March of Dimes  
Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation  
National Breast Cancer Coalition  
National Foundation for Facial Reconstruction  
National Kidney Foundation of Illinois  
National Multiple Sclerosis Society  
National Psoriasis Foundation  
Ovarian Cancer Research Fund  
Palliative Care Center & Hospice of the North Shore  
Providence Health Foundation  
Rancho Los Amigos Foundation  
Tourette Syndrome Association  
Valerie Fund

Organizations that inspire and enable young people, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, are a positive force in our communities. Our donation efforts help underprivileged kids realize their full potential through improved educational opportunities, athletic and artistic endeavors, academic mentoring and other programs.

### **Boys & Girls Clubs of America**

Kirkland proudly supports one of the best-known national programs for America's youth. The Boys & Girls Clubs of America inspire and enable young people to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens. As a financial contributor, Kirkland assists this respected organization in making a difference in young people's lives through educational, health, arts, career, leadership development and athletic programs.



### **UNICEF**

With more than 7,000 people working in 155 countries around the world, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) is a driving force that helps build a world where the rights of every child are realized. Kirkland's financial contributions are used by UNICEF to overcome the obstacles that poverty, violence, disease and discrimination place in a child's path. We are proud to be a part of their efforts to advance the cause of children through HIV/AIDS prevention, nourishment, education, immunizations and other initiatives.

### **Do Something**

Do Something believes that young people have the ability to change the world by taking on challenges that improve their communities. The organization's aim is to make community service fun and rewarding for kids by providing monthly challenges in the areas of community building, health and the environment. Kirkland is proud to provide funding which helps Do Something create free lesson plans for teachers, distribute a free public service magazine nationally, and award grants and scholarships to youth with great community service ideas.



## **Cradles to Crayons**

Cradles to Crayons provides poor and homeless Massachusetts children with everyday essentials including clothing, books, school supplies, arts and crafts, safety equipment, and toys. Financial support from organizations like Kirkland enables Cradles to Crayons to continue partnering with shelters, health centers, hospitals, preschools and day care providers to reach children who are most in need and at risk.

## **Additional Recipients**

Building Our Future  
Children's Bureau  
Children's Place Association  
Duran Foundation  
Everybody Wins!  
Fight for Children  
Forever Young Foundation  
Generation Rescue  
March of the Living International  
Sherwood Conservatory of Music  
The Door  
Youth, I.N.C.  
Youth Renewal Fund



# Education

Education equips people with the tools and knowledge they need to participate in today's world. We support entities that help eliminate education inequity by providing better education choices and opportunities to those most underserved. The Foundation also has a long-standing tradition of funding scholarships and endowments at the nation's best law schools and other higher-learning institutions. They have been critical sources of Kirkland's leadership for decades.

## Law and Business Schools

The Foundation has made significant pledges and donations to numerous leading law and business schools around the nation and the world. The contributions fund endowed law chairs, sponsorships, minority scholarships and public service fellowships. Over the past several years, Kirkland has contributed or pledged funds to the following pre-eminent schools:

- UCLA School of Law
- University of Chicago Law School
- Columbia Law School
- DePaul University College of Law
- Duke University School of Law
- Harvard Law School
- IIT/Chicago-Kent College of Law
- University of Illinois
- London Business School
- University of Michigan Law School
- New York University School of Law
- Northwestern University School of Law
- Pepperdine University School of Law

## High Jump

High Jump is a supplemental education program that enhances the learning experience of middle school students with excellent academic potential and ambition but limited financial means. The organization's mission is to help these students gain admission to high-quality college preparatory schools and ultimately gain admission to superior four-year colleges and universities. Funding from Kirkland helps High Jump cover the costs of various program initiatives such as classes, educational field trips, outdoor educational experiences, lunches and one-on-one high school counseling.





## **Teach For America**

Teach For America's mission is to eliminate educational inequity by enlisting outstanding recent college graduates of all academic majors to commit two years to teach in urban and rural public schools. Kirkland shares Teach For America's commitment to educational equity. Our contributions are used to help Teach For America work more effectively to provide educational opportunities for all children, especially those in low-income communities.

## **Partnership to Educate & Advance Kids**

The Partnership to Educate & Advance Kids (PEAK) provides opportunities for at-risk youth to achieve academic and personal success through a quality education and one-on-one adult mentoring. PEAK serves the needs of students who are not typically sought-after for high school scholarships — graduating eighth graders with average to slightly below average grades. Kirkland's financial support helps fund tuition, events and programs geared towards providing a challenging and rewarding educational experience for these high school students.

## **Music Institute of Chicago**

By providing quality music education for all ages and levels of ability, the Music Institute of Chicago strives to create a foundation for the lifelong enjoyment of music in students of all economic, ethnic and musical backgrounds. Kirkland's financial support is used to provide individuals with music education where such opportunities are limited, support the growth of therapy through music and the arts for individuals with special needs, and provide vital support for day-to-day operations and outreach partnerships.

## Community

We believe civic organizations perform a valuable function within our communities. The Foundation funds a wide range of groups that help improve communities with efforts ranging from hunger relief initiatives, literacy programs, clothing drives and economic development to education, environmental projects and social services for the elderly and disabled.

### **Equip for Equality**

Equip for Equality's focus is on advancing the civil rights of children and adults with physical and mental disabilities. They provide information and resources that empower disabled individuals to fight for community integration and fair treatment under laws such as the Americans with Disabilities Act. Kirkland helps Equip for Equality in its mission by donating funds for a variety of initiatives such as public policy reform, legislative advocacy, legal services and disability rights education.

### **Rainforest Alliance**

The Rainforest Alliance is committed to protecting ecosystems and the people and wildlife that depend on them by transforming land-use practices, business practices and consumer behavior. Through our giving, Kirkland helps the Alliance set standards for sustainability that conserve natural resources, promote the well-being of workers and communities, and bring responsibly produced goods and services to a global marketplace.

### **Gifts for the Homeless**

Kirkland, along with other Washington, D.C. legal organizations, partners with Gifts for the Homeless to serve the needy in the nation's capital. Through an annual clothing drive, used clothing is solicited from law firms and corporate legal departments for donation to area shelters, transitional housing facilities and soup kitchens. Monetary donations from Kirkland and others provide Gifts for the Homeless with the funds to purchase new clothing, coats, gloves and blankets for the homeless.



## **Sanctuary for Families**

Sanctuary for Families is dedicated to the safety, healing, and self-sufficiency of battered women and children. It offers a broad range of services, including shelter, legal assistance and counseling. Kirkland proudly supports Sanctuary for Families in its effort to end domestic violence and its far-reaching impact through outreach, education and advocacy.

## **Additional Recipients**

American Jewish Committee  
Charities Aid Foundation  
CharityWorks  
City Parks Foundation  
Constitutional Rights Foundation  
Golden Apple Foundation  
Greater Chicago Food Depository  
Habitat for Humanity  
Housing Opportunities for Women  
inMotion  
Jewish United Fund of Metropolitan Chicago  
Metropolitan Family Services  
NAACP  
New Schools for Chicago  
Push America  
Rebuilding Together San Francisco  
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