



REVIEW OF FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTIONS

2009

## About the Kirkland & Ellis Foundation

Founded in 1982, the Kirkland & Ellis Foundation was created for the purpose of providing financial support to charitable and law-related organizations that serve a wide range of initiatives. The Foundation's beneficial impact is felt in the United States and abroad, with financial participation from Kirkland & Ellis International LLP. Annual contributions from Kirkland partners fund the Foundation. Employees, associates and partners of the Firm can also have charitable contributions matched through the Foundation's Employee Matching Program.

The Kirkland & Ellis Foundation is committed to helping hundreds of charitable efforts succeed every year. Giving efforts are principally focused on groups that help improve the administration of legal services. Additional funds are donated to organizations committed to improving the quality of life through enhanced emergency relief, legal assistance, community services, green projects, cultural awareness, healthcare initiatives, youth programs, education opportunities and diversity sensitivity. This booklet offers a glimpse into the wide variety of initiatives to which the Foundation offered financial support in 2009. We consider it an honor to partner with these and other organizations that provide exceptional services to the world's communities, in the same way that Kirkland has provided high-quality legal services to its clients for more than 100 years.





# Legal

## Legal Assistance Foundation of Metropolitan Chicago

The Legal Assistance Foundation of Metropolitan Chicago (LAF) helps bring justice to low-income residents of Cook County through the provision of civil legal services. Since its founding 40 years ago, LAF has defended, expanded and protected the federal and state constitutional and statutory rights of tens of thousands of individuals. The organization relies on the generosity of donors like the Kirkland & Ellis Foundation to help vulnerable members of society achieve legal benefits they would not be able to access otherwise.

## Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless

The Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless fights for justice for people who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless in Washington, D.C. The Legal Clinic has a network of nearly 200 lawyers at seven volunteer sites. Since 1986, the Legal Clinic has opened more than 25,000 matters to ensure that each individual has a strong voice in court and in the community.

## Heartland Alliance's National Immigrant Justice Center

National Immigrant Justice Center (NIJC) is dedicated to ensuring human rights protections and access to justice for immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers. NIJC provides direct legal services to and supports these populations through policy reform, impact litigation and public education. In doing so, NIJC has made critical advances in the lives of hundreds of thousands of displaced individuals.

## The Legal Aid Bureau, Inc.

Funding from the Kirkland & Ellis Foundation helps The Legal Aid Bureau, Inc. bring equity and stability to thousands of Marylanders each year. Legal Aid has provided free legal services to low-income adults, children and the elderly for the past 100 years. Their attorneys and support staff serve Baltimore City and Maryland's 23 counties from 13 office locations.

## Street Law, Inc.

Street Law, Inc., a program founded in 1972 by a group of Georgetown University law students, teaches local Washington, D.C. high school students about the laws that affect their daily lives. The program's materials are now published and used in high schools around the country. The Kirkland & Ellis Foundation's donation helps Street Law further its mission of providing education about law and human rights to new audiences around the world.



# Community

## Los Angeles Regional Foodbank

Los Angeles Regional Foodbank has been serving the needy people of its community since 1973. The Foodbank provides food for nearly 900 members at local homes for abused and abandoned children, battered women's shelters, senior centers, food pantries, soup kitchens and AIDS hospices. In 2009, donors like the Kirkland & Ellis Foundation provided the Foodbank with funds to distribute 54 million pounds of food to the hungry in Los Angeles County.

## ReserveAid

The Kirkland & Ellis Foundation supports ReserveAid in meeting the financial needs of service members and their families. By assisting the families of Reserve Service Members with housing, utilities, and car payments and insurance, ReserveAid eases the emotional and financial burdens placed on the men and women called to serve our country.

## Special Olympics District of Columbia

For 38 years, Special Olympics District of Columbia has provided sports training to people with intellectual disabilities. Competition in sporting activities gives the athletes increased confidence, self-esteem and courage. The Kirkland & Ellis Foundation's financial donation helps to provide sporting equipment to Special Olympic DC's athletes, allowing them to experience the enjoyment of sports.

## The Aspen Institute

The Aspen Institute works to promote values-based leadership, encouraging individuals to reflect on the ideals that define a good society and providing a neutral and balanced place for discussing and acting on important issues. The Aspen Institute offers seminars, fellowships, policy programs, public conferences and events to serve as a place where major social concerns can be analyzed from different perspectives, all in the interest of the public good.

## Housing Opportunities for Women, Inc.

Housing Opportunities for Women, Inc. (HOW) was the first homeless shelter for women in Chicago, having provided housing and supportive services since 1983. HOW offers programs such as employment services, support groups and health services to guarantee that participants are able to maintain permanent housing and financial independence.



# Green Initiatives

## Alliance for the Great Lakes

Alliance for the Great Lakes works to conserve and restore the world's largest freshwater resource through policy, education and local efforts aimed at preserving the Great Lakes region as a national treasure. It also works with the region's residents to enhance their understanding of how they can help in this mission.

## Brooklyn Botanical Garden

The Brooklyn Botanical Garden occupies 52 acres in the heart of Brooklyn and hosts more than 700,000 visitors each year. Deeply committed to education, community outreach and scientific research, the Brooklyn Botanical Garden is a trusted source of information about horticulture, botany and the importance of conserving plants and protecting the environment.

## Friends of the Parks

Since 1975, Friends of the Parks (FOTP) has worked to preserve, protect and improve Chicago's parks and forest preserves. From litter removal, recycling, and tree and garden planting, to organizing special events, FOTP fosters community pride in one of Chicago's greatest resources. The Kirkland & Ellis Foundation donates funds to help develop new parks, renovate play lots, and present workshops and lectures to educate the public.

## Malibu Green Machine

Malibu Green Machine is dedicated to greening Malibu by working with city departments, neighborhood associations and local businesses. The group is entirely supported by volunteer efforts. In September 2008, the group started work to enhance the Pacific Coast Highway. The goal of the project is to make the highway more attractive, safer and more environmentally friendly. Malibu Green Machine is able to continue its beautification efforts because of financial support from donors like the Kirkland & Ellis Foundation.

## Planting Peace

Planting Peace was founded in 2004 with the purpose of spreading peace around the world through grassroots and large-scale international efforts. Planting Peace's environmental initiatives include recruiting global citizens to lead environmental clean-up campaigns in their communities; protecting the Amazon rainforest from deforestation; and employing social workers to teach forest-keeping skills to Haitian farmers. Planting Peace also works to protect and reintroduce rare or endangered plants to their native habitats.



# Culture

## Adler Planetarium

The Adler Planetarium is a recognized leader in science education, with a focus on inspiring people — particularly women, children and minorities — to pursue careers in science. Located in Chicago, the Adler was the first planetarium in America, and it houses an extensive collection of planetarium and astronomical pieces. The Kirkland & Ellis Foundation's donation assists the Adler Planetarium in its goal of inspiring the next generation of explorers.

## The Metropolitan Opera

The Metropolitan Opera is in its 126th season and is home to many of the world's most creative and talented singers, conductors, composers, orchestra musicians, stage directors, designers, visual artists, choreographers and dancers. The variety of programs offered by the Met broadens its audience to include people of all ages, cultural backgrounds and economic levels.

## Newark Museum

The Newark Museum, New Jersey's largest museum, educates and inspires individuals through innovative collections in the arts and natural sciences. The museum welcomes hundreds of thousands of visitors each year and offers education programs to people of all ages. Since its founding in 1909, the Newark Museum has grown from a mere two galleries to an eight-building campus.

## Jazz Foundation of America

The Jazz Foundation of America (JFA) has been dedicated to assisting jazz musicians in need for more than 20 years. Thousands of musicians have received medical, housing and legal support, as well as assistance in finding performance opportunities. JFA advances knowledge and appreciation of jazz music and history through the support of education programs and jazz organizations.

## Chicago Shakespeare Theater

Chicago Shakespeare Theater offers a broad range of theatrical experiences to entertain audiences from around the world. Selections from William Shakespeare's plays shape the core of the company's performances. Funding from the Kirkland & Ellis Foundation and other donors plays an important part in Chicago Shakespeare Theater's program expansion.



# Healthcare

## Huggy Bears

Huggy Bears works with the Keep a Child Alive campaign, which provides care and support services to children and families in Africa and India whose lives have been affected by HIV/AIDS. Huggy Bears directly involves the global public in the fight against AIDS. Over the past 25 years, this organization has raised nearly \$30 million to aid disadvantaged children around the world.

## Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

The Dana-Farber Cancer Institute provides cutting-edge, compassionate care to cancer-stricken children and adults while advancing the diagnosis, treatment, cure, and prevention of cancer and related diseases. Though the Institute is located in Boston, it treats patients from around the globe. Donations help the Institute fund innovative cancer research programs, bringing the world closer to finding effective treatments and cures for cancer.

## Sarcoma Foundation of America

The Kirkland & Ellis Foundation supports the Sarcoma Foundation of America (SFA). SFA was founded in 2000 to increase research to find new ways of treating sarcoma patients. It works to end the pain sarcoma causes by educating patients, funding research grants, fighting for increased government funding and raising awareness about early detection of sarcoma.

## Blanchette Rockefeller Neurosciences Institute

The Blanchette Rockefeller Neurosciences Institute (BRNI) is dedicated to the study of memory and memory disorders. BRNI focuses its research on identifying and understanding events responsible for changes in brain connections that store associations learned from experience. Gifts from donors like the Kirkland & Ellis Foundation support BRNI in its battle against Alzheimer's disease and other neurological impairments.

## Autism Speaks

Today, it is estimated that one in every 110 children is diagnosed with autism. Autism Speaks' mission is to raise public awareness about autism and its effect on individuals and families. Since its founding, Autism Speaks has merged with three other groups to become the nation's largest autism science and advocacy organization.



# Youth

## Mercy Home for Boys and Girls

Since 1887, Mercy Home for Boys and Girls has provided long-term housing for troubled youth, ages 11 to 21. Children receive therapy, tutoring and mentoring services, and 24-hour care. Funding from donors helps residents find the support and resources they need to realize their full potential.

## High 5 Tickets to the Arts

High 5 Tickets to the Arts strives to make the arts affordable for teens. Through High 5, teens ages 13 to 18 can buy \$5 tickets to the best of New York City dance, music, theater and visual arts events all year round. Teens from anywhere in the world may purchase tickets through High 5 to broaden their cultural experiences. High 5 relies on donations from venues to provide tickets at low costs and to fund free after-school arts enrichment.

## Youth, I.N.C.

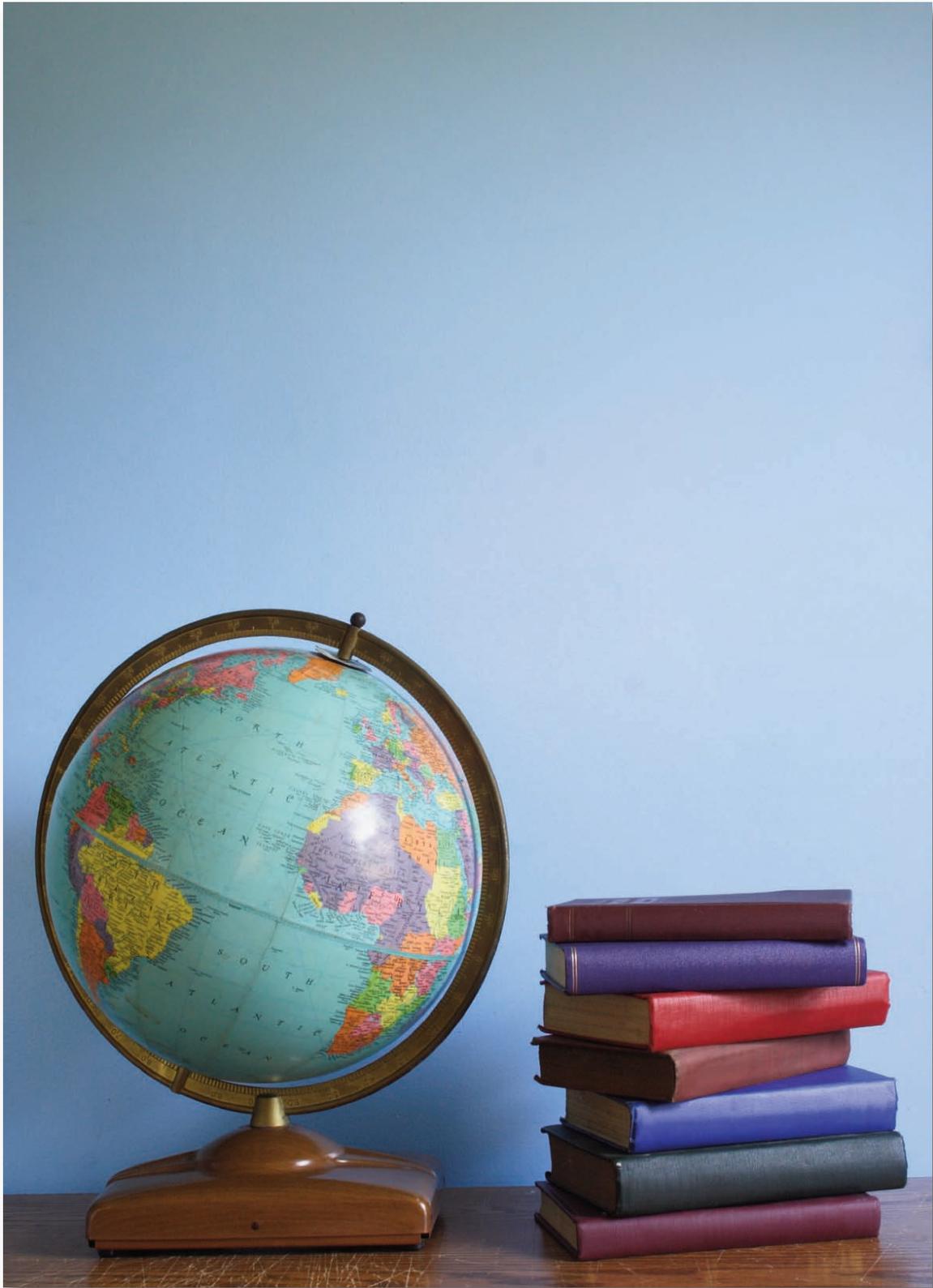
Youth, I.N.C. is committed to improving the lives of young people across America by supporting the charitable organizations that benefit them. Youth, I.N.C. forms lasting relationships with these organizations to help them build sustainable business models, broaden their network of donors and raise public awareness about their causes.

## Madison Square Boys and Girls Club

Since 1884, The Madison Square Boys & Girls Club has provided after-school and summer programs for thousands of New York City's youths. By offering education, recreation and guidance programs in an encouraging environment, this organization works to increase happiness and productivity in childrens' lives. Approximately 5,000 children consider Madison Square Boys & Girls Club a second home.

## SGA Youth & Family Services

The Kirkland & Ellis Foundation supports SGA Youth & Family Services, one of Chicago's leading social service agencies serving teenagers, young adults and their families. SGA provides mental health, case management and prevention services to at-risk youths, and helps these individuals successfully transition to adulthood by strengthening their families and communities.



# Education

## The Partnership to Educate & Advance Kids

The Partnership to Educate & Advance Kids (PEAK) has offered an alternative to Chicago Public Schools (CPS) students since 1997. PEAK works with students through a mentoring program and creates an opportunity for students to attend the prestigious Holy Trinity High School. PEAK is proud to have an 80 percent graduation rate compared to the 60 percent rate of CPS.

## Posse Foundation

Posse Foundation is a youth leadership program that gives diverse youths a chance to be recruited by top colleges and universities. Founded in 1989, Posse awards student leaders from public high schools with four-year, full-tuition scholarships to top colleges and universities across the country. With the help of Posse, 2,600 students have received \$260 million in leadership scholarships.

## New Leaders for New Schools

New Leaders for New Schools was founded in 2000 to create opportunities for the next generation of school leaders. Principals trained by New Leaders have created dramatic increases in performances in urban schools. New Leaders uses monetary support from the Kirkland & Ellis Foundation and other donors to reach out to students across the country.

## Law Schools

The Kirkland & Ellis Foundation makes donations to leading law schools around the nation and the world. The contributions fund endowed law chairs, sponsorships, minority scholarships and public school fellowships. In 2009, the Kirkland & Ellis Foundation contributed or pledged funds to numerous law schools.

## Renaissance Schools Fund

The Kirkland & Ellis Foundation supports Renaissance 2010, a program of the Chicago Public Schools (CPS). Renaissance 2010 is working to create 100 new and successful schools in Chicago by 2010. This will offer more choices for students and create beneficial competition among educators. CPS will be responsible for basic staffing costs; however, new schools will need extensive financial support in the beginning years.

## Teach for America

Teach for America is a national teacher corps consisting of recent college graduates from all backgrounds and career interests who commit to teach for two years in underserved urban and rural public schools. Teach for America enlists the nation's most promising future leaders to eliminate educational injustice and expand opportunities for students from low-income communities. Currently, 7,300 Teach for America members work in 39 urban and rural areas across the United States, serving nearly 600,000 students.



# Diversity

## Native American Rights Fund

The Native American Rights Fund (NARF) provides legal representation to Indian tribes, organizations and individuals nationwide. Throughout its history, NARF has impacted tens of thousands of Indians through its work for more than 250 tribes. The organization's work includes protecting voting and inherent sovereignty rights, and helping tribes uphold their traditions and religious freedom.

## National Center for Lesbian Rights

Since 1977, National Center for Lesbian Rights (NCLR) has been committed to advancing the rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people and their families. NCLR's staff of nearly 30 lawyers in three locations works to protect the civil rights of more than 5,000 LGBT people and their families each year.

## Asian American Bar Association of the Greater Bay Area

Asian American Bar Association of the Greater Bay Area (AABA) is one of the largest Asian American bar associations in the nation and one of the largest minority bar associations in California. Since 1976, AABA has been actively involved in civil rights issues and community service. The Kirkland & Ellis Foundation's financial support helps fund many programs such as scholarships and community development.

## Catalyst, Inc.

The Kirkland & Ellis Foundation supports Catalyst, Inc., a leading membership-based organization that expands career opportunities for women. More than 400 companies, schools and associations make up Catalyst's member network. Catalyst studies both men and women around the world in all areas of business to learn about the barriers women face in the workplace.

## LatinoJustice PRLDEF

LatinoJustice PRLDEF (Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund) was founded in 1972 with a goal of changing unfair practices through education and litigation. LatinoJustice strives to provide an opportunity for all Latinos to succeed in work and school, and to fulfill the dreams of their families and communities. Support from the Kirkland & Ellis Foundation and others assures that Latinos across the country have access to the services needed to overcome life obstacles.



# International

## Get Kids Going!

Get Kids Going! is a charity that works with disabled British youth to allow them to participate in different sports. The athletes receive wheelchairs that are built for sports to allow them to participate in activities such as basketball, racing and skiing. They also receive everyday wheelchairs to use at home. In addition to equipment, Get Kids Going! provides training and physiotherapy to disabled athletes.

## Breakthrough Cancer

The Kirkland & Ellis Foundation supports Breakthrough Cancer, a breast cancer charity that is working to remove the fear of breast cancer through research and education. Breakthrough set up the United Kingdom's first dedicated breast cancer research center in 1999, which today houses more than 120 scientists and clinicians.

## Lorica Trust

Lorica Trust, based in the city of Brighton and Hove, has been offering shelter to homeless men and women since 1985. Through hostels, shelters and supported housing, Lorica Trust offers beds to 25,000 individuals per year. In each of the facilities, residents receive support to help them become independent. Lorica Trust depends on donations like those from the Kirkland & Ellis Foundation to continue offering food and shelter to those who would otherwise be on the streets.

## Sobell House Hospice Charity

Sobell House Hospice Charity supports the Sir Michael Sobell House Hospice which has provided care for patients with life-threatening diseases and their families for the past 30 years. In a typical year, the Hospice provides roughly 3,000 home-care visits, 500 in-patient admissions and 3,000 day-centre visits in and around Oxfordshire. More than 150 volunteers support the Hospice's in-house staff to provide care to patients and their families during times of pain.

## The Lifetrain Trust

The Lifetrain Trust provides training and education opportunities for disabled citizens. The organization helps these individuals develop skills that allow them to become more confident and independent. The Kirkland & Ellis Foundation supports the funding of training opportunities for these young people to achieve their full potential.

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