



REVIEW OF FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTIONS

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## 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 regular support 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 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 enhancing the quality of life through improved community services, green initiatives, cultural awareness, healthcare initiatives, youth programs, educational programs and diversity sensitivity. This booklet offers an inside look into the Foundation and the wide variety of initiatives to which we offered financial support in 2008. 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 the highest quality legal services to its clients for 100 years.



# Legal

## Center for Disability and Elder Law

Using a network of hundreds of volunteer attorneys, paralegals and law students, the Center for Disability and Elder Law (CDEL) provides pro bono legal services to disabled and senior citizens of limited means throughout Cook County, Illinois. CDEL volunteers offer a broad range of legal services, including landlord/tenant, guardianship, real estate and mortgage foreclosure, and ADA discrimination matters. Financial support from donors like Kirkland allows CDEL to continue providing legal clinics and direct representation to Chicago's disadvantaged.

## Legal Momentum

Kirkland is proud to support Legal Momentum, the nation's oldest organization dedicated to advocating and advancing the rights of women and girls. It uses strategic advocacy and innovative public policy campaigns to further women's rights in a number of areas, including employment rights, non-traditional jobs, gender bias in courts and violence against women. Legal Momentum also uses publications, litigation and Congressional Testimony to more fully realize the potential of women's role in society.

## Cabrini Green Legal Aid

Cabrini Green Legal Aid (CGLA), with financial assistance from Kirkland and other organizations, provides free legal services to poor and disenfranchised individuals in the areas of family law, housing law, criminal law, and expungement, sealing and clemency. CGLA aids approximately 4,000 people annually and relies upon the services of hundreds of volunteers. It is committed to exposing the legal plights of the poor in order to recruit pro bono assistance from lawyers and law students alike.

## Disability Rights Legal Center

The Disability Rights Legal Center (DRLC) provides free legal services to persons with disabilities. For more than 30 years, DRLC has worked to further the idea that "access is equality" for those who are disabled. DRLC uses legal advocacy to promote the rights of the disabled and educates them to use the resources and tools available to them to effectively advocate for themselves. Kirkland is proud to provide financial support to DRLC as it continues to set the standard for the enforcement of disability rights.

## Equal Justice Works

Founded more than 20 years ago, Equal Justice Works understands that scarce entry-level job opportunities and high student loan debt prevent many of the nation's law students from pursuing public interest careers. To counter this trend, Equal Justice Works administers the largest postgraduate legal fellowship program in the country, placing new lawyers in two-year assignments at public interest organizations in 22 states. Financial support from Kirkland and others allows Equal Justice Works to continue fostering an interest in pro bono service at law schools, therefore providing disadvantaged individuals around the country with much-needed access to legal services.





# Community

## Henry Street Settlement

Dedicated to fighting urban poverty by helping families achieve better lives for themselves, Henry Street Settlement offers a broad range of social services, arts and healthcare programs to more than 100,000 New Yorkers annually. Using resources that include a multidisciplinary arts center, shelters for homeless families and women, a public health clinic, senior assistance programs and a workforce development center, Henry Street Settlement has a strong record of accomplishment in the community it serves. Funds from financial supporters like Kirkland enable Henry Street Settlement to spend almost 90 percent of its budget in direct service to families who need the organization's assistance.

## Human Rights First

Kirkland proudly supports Human Rights First in its mission to build worldwide respect for human rights, to protect people whose human rights may be at risk, and to campaign for change and justice at the highest level of national and international policymaking. Founded in 1978, Human Rights First uses gifts from foundations such as Kirkland's to fight for equality and worldwide freedom of thought, expression and religion. The organization is dedicated to growing into an international movement of people who share its goals and passion for the law, justice and human dignity.

## The American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research

The American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research (AEI) is committed to research and education on the issues of government, politics, economics and social welfare. The Institute sponsors research and conferences and publishes books and periodicals that feature many of the country's highly esteemed public policy experts. Its goal is to defend the principles and improve the institutions of American freedom and democratic capitalism. Described by *The Economist* as "Washington's most influential think tank," donations provide AEI with ongoing opportunities to make important and enduring contributions to policymaking in Washington, D.C.

## Red Cross China Relief Fund

In May 2008, one of the deadliest earthquakes in more than three decades hit the Sichuan province in Southwestern China, taking more than 69,000 lives, injuring more than 374,000 people and leaving approximately 5.4 million people homeless. The Kirkland Foundation donated \$280,000 toward China's relief and rebuilding efforts, partnering with the Red Cross' China Earthquake Relief Fund. Donations assisted those affected by the disaster by funding delivery of relief supplies and transportation of disaster workers to the hardest hit areas.





# Green Initiatives

## Keep America Beautiful

Keep America Beautiful encourages individuals to take greater responsibility for their community environments. The organization achieves this objective by educating the public, promoting individual responsibility, forming community alliances and enlisting volunteers to help further its cause. Kirkland is proud that its financial support of Keep America Beautiful helps the organization prevent litter, reduce waste and beautify communities nationwide.

## Chicago Botanic Garden

One of the country's most visited public gardens, the Chicago Botanic Garden is renowned for its plant collections, education efforts and scientific research. Set on 385 acres on the outskirts of Chicago, the Garden features 23 formal display gardens, three native habitats, woods and waterways. With the support of donors like Kirkland, the Chicago Botanic Garden continues its mission of promoting the enjoyment, understanding and conservation of plants and nature.

## Riverkeeper

For more than 40 years, Riverkeeper has preserved the drinking water supply of New York City and the lower Hudson Valley by protecting the Hudson River. The organization works to restore the Hudson River ecosystem, keep New York's drinking water supply safe and improve public access to the Hudson River. As Riverkeeper's reputation for taking on environmental polluters grows, the organization uses donations to meet the increasing demand for its services, recently doubling its legal staff and hiring a staff investigator to respond to citizen pollution reports.

## Living Classrooms of the National Capital Region

Living Classrooms of the National Capital Region uses community revitalization projects and maritime settings to help students gain a meaningful environmental education and "learn by doing." Students are involved with hands-on lessons aboard historic ships, in classrooms and on Chesapeake Bay. Recent projects have included cleaning up vacant properties and impoverished city neighborhoods, rehabbing and renovating schools and homes, maintaining city parks and removing invasive plant species on Baltimore's city creeks and shorelines. Financial support enables Living Classrooms to continue these programs, which involve more than 20,000 individuals in the Baltimore and D.C. regions.



# Culture

## The Joffrey Ballet

The Joffrey Ballet is internationally known for its company of dancers and for the unique and socially relevant ballets they create. For more than 50 years, the Ballet has delighted audiences with its selection of historic ballets and innovative new works, many by well-known modern dance and contemporary choreographers such as Alvin Ailey, Laura Dean and Twyla Tharp. Originally the resident ballet company at New York's City Center, the company made Chicago its permanent home in 1995. Funding from Kirkland helps the Ballet maintain its high standard in training and performing, and supports the Ballet's artistic, touring, education and outreach activities.

## San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra

The San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra provides tuition-free orchestral training to young musicians, with a goal of presenting music to the community at the highest level of artistic achievement. More than 100 talented musicians, ranging in age from 12 to 21, are chosen through annual auditions from more than 300 applicants, and they perform at numerous concerts both in San Francisco and abroad. The support of donors and foundations like Kirkland helps the Youth Orchestra continue to develop these outstanding artists and remain a force in the cultural life of San Francisco and the surrounding communities.

## Shakespeare Theatre Company

The Shakespeare Theatre Company presents classic theatre in an accessible, creative and uniquely American style that honors playwrights' language and intentions while putting a modern spin on their creations. Since its founding in Washington, D.C. in 1985, the Shakespeare Theatre Company has become an acclaimed destination for classical theatre, offering a wide range of works to local and national audiences. With the help of donations, the Shakespeare Theatre Company can stage new productions, offer affordable tickets to community members and provide innovative educational programs to young audiences.

## New Museum of Contemporary Art

The New Museum of Contemporary Art is one of the world's most renowned contemporary art museums and the only one in Manhattan dedicated to this genre. Recognized for its global scope and cutting-edge art exhibits, the New Museum is lauded as a leading destination for new art and new ideas. Financial support from donors like Kirkland allows the Museum to present adventurous exhibitions, organize public programs and promote inventive ideas about art and culture.



# Healthcare

## Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation

For more than 25 years, the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation has worked to eliminate type (1) juvenile diabetes. The disease strikes suddenly and mainly affects children and adolescents, making them dependent on injected or pumped insulin for life. The Foundation is the leading worldwide advocate of type (1) diabetes research, giving more than \$1.3 billion to diabetes research and funding more than 1,000 centers, grants and fellowships. Kirkland's donation allows the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation to move life-altering research out of the lab and into human clinical trials, helping in its mission to find a cure for diabetes.

## Foundation Fighting Blindness

The Foundation Fighting Blindness is dedicated to funding research that will provide preventions, treatments and cures for the more than 10 million people in the United States who are affected by diseases that lead to blindness. The Foundation remains at the forefront of scientific advancements and uses funds from supporters such as Kirkland to continue its mission to save and restore sight.

## Friends of Prentice

Friends of Prentice, the fundraising board of Prentice Women's Hospital of Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago, is committed to supporting high-quality healthcare for women and infants. The organization raises money and awareness for the hospital's critical programs, which include discovering causes and new treatments for women's cancers, advancing research in prenatal diagnosis and genetic counseling, and supporting the Institute for Women's Health Research at Northwestern. Contributions to Friends of Prentice help to support these important resources and ensure that quality care remains available to all women and infants.

## Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

In 2008, more than 130,000 people were diagnosed with leukemia, lymphoma or myeloma, cancers that originate in the bone marrow or lymphatic tissues. New cases of these diseases accounted for nearly 10 percent of all cancer cases diagnosed in the United States and caused nearly 10 percent of all cancer-related deaths. The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's mission is to find cures for these deadly cancers and bring hope to the lives of those who are afflicted by them. Donations from the Kirkland & Ellis Foundation are used to assist researchers and patients living with cancer, sponsor scientific conferences, create educational materials and run more than 50 support groups nationwide.







# Youth

## B.U.I.L.D.

The B.U.I.L.D. program began in a single high school outside of Palo Alto in 1999, with the goal of helping underserved students start and run their own businesses while encouraging them to build their self-confidence and improve their academic performances. The program, which is now available at eight Bay Area high schools, is offered as an in-school elective and is taught by B.U.I.L.D. mentors and teachers at partner public high schools. Students learn the basics of entrepreneurship and come away from the program with improved critical thinking, leadership and financial management skills, and the motivation to pursue a college education. Financial sponsorship from Kirkland allows B.U.I.L.D. to expand into new communities and encourages new students to reach their full potential.

## D.C. Scores

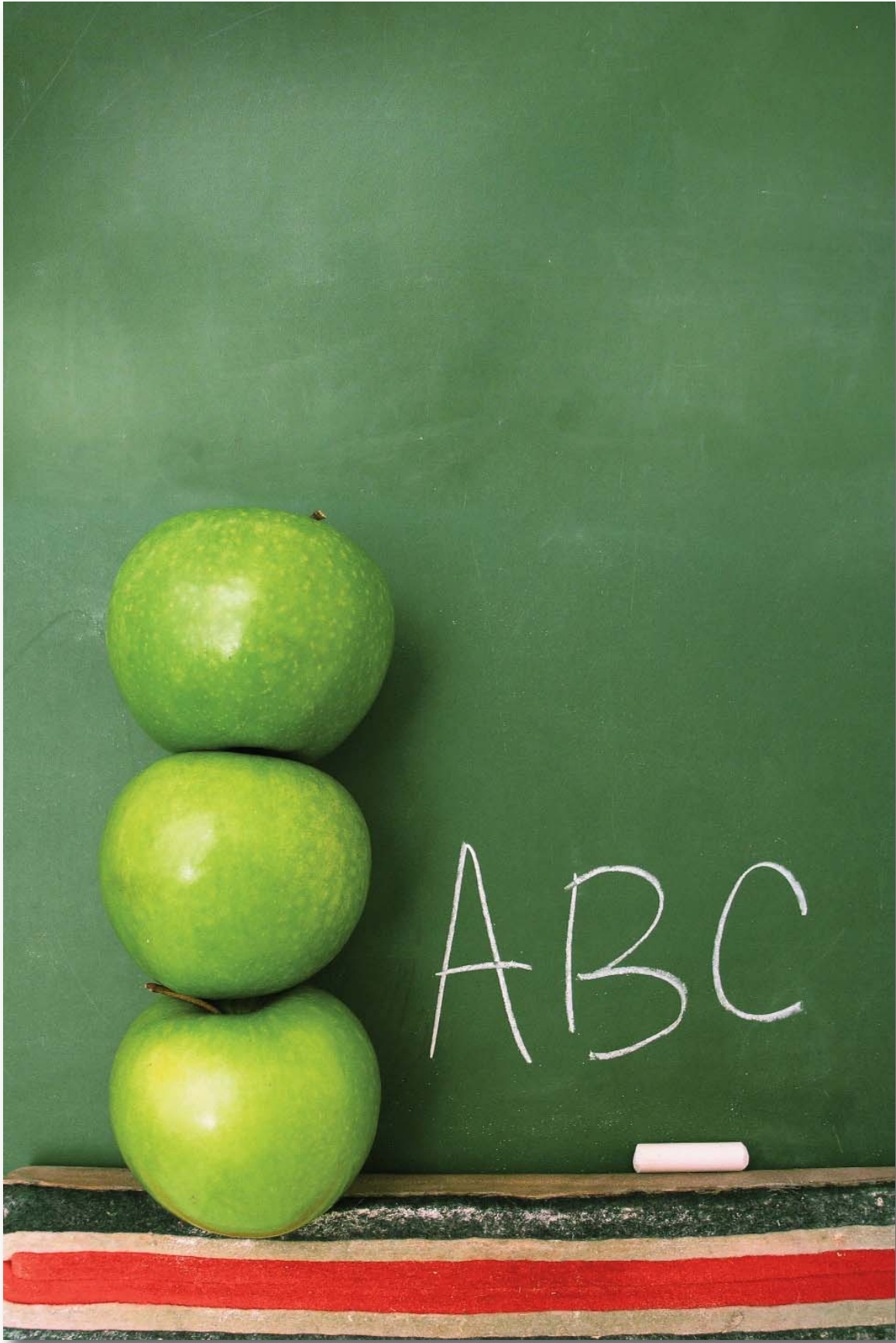
D.C. Scores uses soccer, writing and creative expression to encourage students in the Washington, D.C. area to lead healthier lifestyles and become more engaged in school. The program targets youth who are underexposed to organized physical activities and who live in communities with high childhood obesity rates and below-average literacy rates. By participating in daily action-packed soccer games and creative writing workshops, students improve their academic and social skills while learning the importance of teamwork. Donations to D.C. Scores allow these student athletes to keep scoring — both on and off the field.

## Children's Home & Aid Society

For more than 125 years, the Children's Home & Aid Society has helped Illinois children and families overcome the often crushing obstacles of poverty, abuse and neglect. Serving more than 40,000 people through approximately 70 social service programs, the Children's Home & Aid Society is committed to giving children and their families hope, help and the opportunity to build a better life. With the support of donors like Kirkland, the Children's Home & Aid Society continues to offer adoption, counseling, early childhood care and education, foster care, residential and youth services to those in need.

## Forever Young Foundation

The Forever Young Foundation, founded in 1993 by former NFL player Steve Young, provides seriously ill, underprivileged or at-risk children with academic, athletic and therapeutic opportunities that might not exist in their everyday lives. The Foundation helps children in Northern California, Arizona and Utah. It uses donations from financial supporters like Kirkland to create "Forever Young Zones" in hospitals, where children can play with computers and interactive games. It also establishes "Forever Young Technology Zones," which allow underprivileged children to experience and learn from technology that is not easily accessible to them.



# Education

## Boys & Girls Harbor, Inc.

Founded in 1937, Boys & Girls Harbor, Inc. began as a small summer camp and was originally envisioned as a “safe harbor” for New York City’s disadvantaged immigrant children. More than 70 years later, the organization serves nearly 3,500 children from East Harlem, Harlem and the South Bronx, offering access to programs that promote educational, emotional, social and physical well-being. Boys & Girls Harbor, Inc. uses charitable donations to continue improving and enriching the lives of the thousands of children it serves.

## Glenwood School for Boys & Girls

The mission of the Glenwood School for Boys & Girls is to give children who face adversity the chance to live a better life. Since 1887, the school has provided residential, educational and life-skills programs in a safe and structured environment for Chicagoland area children struggling with family or social issues. In addition to an elementary school for second through eighth grades, the Glenwood School’s campus offers a residential program, a partnership with public high schools and extracurricular activities. Financial support from contributors like Kirkland makes a difference in the lives of Glenwood students by providing meals and school supplies, a secure place to play and sleep, and access to a quality education.

## HOPE Foundation

The HOPE Foundation supports teachers and other educational leaders with the goal of increasing student achievement in schools across North America. The Foundation works with school districts to develop leadership teams that, in turn, enable the schools to close achievement gaps among students and create positive teaching environments. HOPE Foundation credits this approach with improving test scores, lowering dropout rates, increasing parental involvement and reducing staff turnover in countless schools across the country. Kirkland is proud to support the HOPE Foundation to further its mission of developing leaders who work tirelessly to improve student achievement and school communities.

## Teach for America

Teach for America is a national teacher corps comprised of recent college graduates who commit two years to teach in underserved urban and rural public schools. By enlisting the nation’s most promising future leaders, Teach for America aims to eliminate educational inequity and expand opportunities for students in low-income communities. Currently, more than 6,000 Teach for America members work in 29 urban and rural areas across the United States, serving nearly 600,000 students. Donations to Teach for America aid in the recruitment, training and support of corps members in the classroom and enable the organization to continue its expansion goals.





# Diversity

## United Negro College Fund

The United Negro College Fund (UNCF) works to close the educational achievement gap between African Americans and the majority population by helping promising students realize their college dreams. Every year, UNCF enables more than 60,000 students to further their education by providing funds for its 39 member colleges, allowing them to offer comprehensive academic programs at low tuition costs; by administering 400 scholarship and internship programs; and by acting as a national advocate for the importance of higher education for minority students. Financial support from Kirkland helps to educate thousands of deserving students and keeps tuition affordable for many more.

## Latinos Progresando

Recognizing that immigrants are often faced with a crippling lack of professional and educational choices, Latinos Progresando serves Latino immigrants in Chicago by providing high-quality, low-cost legal services, youth programs and community forums. Legal services help clients become familiar with the immigration process, find legal employment opportunities and reunite with loved ones. A College-Bound Youth Group offers Latino students leadership, mentorship and scholarship opportunities. Kirkland is proud that its support of Latinos Progresando helps immigrants and their families ease their transition into American social and civic life.

## National Association for Urban Debate Leagues

The National Association for Urban Debate Leagues (NAUDL) operates in public school systems across the United States with a mission of facilitating participation in organized debate activities for urban students. Currently serving school systems where the vast majority of students are minorities and come from low-income households, NAUDL aims to increase the number of active student debaters, maintain the educational quality of the debating experience and promote the efforts of local Urban Debate Leagues. Students who participate in the leagues have increased their literary scores by 25 percent and improved their grade point averages by up to 10 percent. Donations help NAUDL build new local Urban Debate Leagues, strengthen existing leagues and expand the quality and scope of debate coaching.

## The National Lesbian and Gay Law Foundation

The National Lesbian and Gay Law Foundation is a sister organization to The National LGBT Bar Association. The LGBT Bar is a national association of legal professionals, law students and affiliate LGBT organizations. Its mission is to improve the quality of life for LGBT legal practitioners until discrimination and negative bias are eliminated. The LGBT Bar presents educational programs on transgender law and legal protections, and organizes an annual career fair and conference to promote LGBT initiatives. Kirkland is proud to provide financial support in advancement of these organizations' work towards inclusiveness within the legal community.







# International

## International Childcare Trust

International Childcare Trust partners with local organizations in Africa and Asia that protect children's rights to address the causes and effects of child poverty and further the education of children who face hardship or distress. The Trust assists disadvantaged children, their families and their communities by offering benefits that include healthcare, income generation schemes and vocational training. Donations from Kirkland & Ellis International LLP help the Trust find a safe environment for children to grow, provide them with educational opportunities and train them with the skills they need for a brighter future.

## British Heart Foundation

Heart and circulatory diseases cause more than one in three of all deaths in the United Kingdom, and they have become the leading cause of premature death for people under the age of 75. With these types of statistics, the vision of the British Heart Foundation — to create a world without heart disease — becomes even more critical. The Foundation uses support from donors like Kirkland & Ellis International LLP to invest in more than 1,200 research projects that investigate the causes and treatments of heart disease, care for patients living with the disease, and educate health professionals and the public about heart disease and how to improve their heart health.

## Dulwich Picture Gallery

The Dulwich Picture Gallery, England's first public art gallery, was founded in 1811 when Sir Francis Bourgeois, R.A. donated his collection of old masters "for the inspection of the public." Since then, the gallery has encouraged enjoyment of the visual arts by compiling one of the world's most important collections of European old master paintings from the 1600s and 1700s. The gallery depends on donations to protect and conserve its art collections, promote exhibitions, make gallery activities accessible to the public, and provide educational programs and scholarships to people of all ages and abilities.

## HBOS Foundation

The HBOS Foundation works with charitable organizations across the United Kingdom, supporting people and their communities. Through its "Million Pound Challenge" initiative, the HBOS Foundation challenges HBOS colleagues (including Kirkland & Ellis International LLP) to raise funds for selected charities, which the HBOS Foundation matches pound for pound.

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