



Welcome to our summer newsletter!

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Happy Summer!

Summer at the Evanston Community Foundation consists of planning, planning, and more planning! We are excited about this time of year and want to update you. In this issue you'll find a recap of our 2016 Grant Awards Celebration and Annual Meeting - which we combined this year for the first time. We are proud of our community and happy to celebrate together with our strongest supporters and grantee partners. Also in this issue you'll see the latest from Leadership Evanston. We hope you're inspired by the projects produced by the 24th class. It's been an amazing year.

We invite you to not only read through the newsletter but to join us on our social media channels: [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#). In the spirit of planning, we will keep you updated over the summer about things to come in our 30th anniversary year. Stay tuned!

Be inspired
Monique

More than \$800,000 announced at 2016 Grants Awards & Annual Meeting

Thursday, May 26, the Evanston Community Foundation announced a record of nearly \$312,000 in responsive grants that was awarded to 29 organizations that serve Evanston residents.



ECF President and CEO, Monique B. Jones with Northwestern Dance Marathon 2017 Executive Co-Chairs Jenny Halpern and Ian Pappas. Jones thanked NUDM for naming ECF their secondary beneficiary for the 20th consecutive year.



ECF Board Chair Michael Brody with Lisa Altenbernd. Alterbernd was recognized for her exemplary board service with the 2017 Jim Kogen Spirit Award.

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Leadership Evanston graduates 24th class

Since Leadership Evanston began in 1992, over 650 individuals have participated in our Signature and Snapshot programs. On June 9, we added 30 new graduates to their ranks. This year five Leadership Evanston groups tackled some of Evanston's major community challenges. Click below to read more to learn about this year's projects.



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Leadership Evanston inspires creative thinking, creates common ground, and motivates participants to make a difference in Evanston. Help us inspire future leaders and keep Leadership Evanston accessible to a broad pool of participants. *Select Leadership Evanston Fund.*



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CELEBRATE! EVANSTON

SAVE-THE-DATE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2016
Evanston Golf Club

30th
anniversary

It's not too late to be a sponsor of our signature fundraising event!

ECF publishes special edition of the Annual Report

Filled with new stories that illustrate our commitment to support good work in Evanston, ECF released a special edition of our Annual Report that lists the Foundation's donors from September through December 2015. Moving forward our Annual Report will list donors who make gifts during one complete calendar year.



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ECF partners with COPE to provide school supplies for 1,000 kids in District 65

Caring Outreach by Parents in Evanston (COPE) is leading this year's School Supply Drive for students attending District 65. Thirty-eight percent of District 65 students are low income, and thirty-five percent qualify for free or reduced lunch.

A \$20 donation buys a backpack and school supply kit for one child, and our goal is to raise \$20,000 for 1000 District 65 school children. Donate directly through ECF and 100% of your donation will be used to buy school supplies. *Please select "School Supply Fund" on our donation page.*

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About the Foundation. . .

The Evanston Community Foundation, celebrating its 30th Anniversary in 2016, helps Evanston thrive now and forever as a vibrant, inclusive, and just community. It builds, connects, and distributes resources and knowledge through local organizations for the common good. The Foundation builds endowments for current and future opportunities, fosters private philanthropy, focuses the impact of collective giving, finds solutions to community challenges, allocates grants, and provides leadership training.

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