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Summer eNewsletter



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ECF announced competitive and strategic grants totaling over \$825,000 on Thursday, May 31 at the 2018 Grant Awards Celebration and Annual Meeting in the Crystal Ballroom at The Merion, 529 Davis Street, in Evanston.

President and CEO Monique B. Jones opened the event with the State of the Foundation remarking, “In this moment, we are focusing equally between stewarding our community of donors and being a community leader.” She also thanked ECF's grantmaking partners who helped make the evening possible.



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On Monique's Mind

Read an excerpt of Monique's annual State of the Foundation remarks delivered at the May 31st Grant Awards Celebration and Annual Meeting, where she examined the role of ECF's community leadership in today's

world.



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A black rectangular banner with a green geometric design at the top. The text "ILLUMINATE" is in large white capital letters, with "CELEBRATE!EVANSTON" in smaller white capital letters below it. A horizontal white line separates this from the date "10.11.18" in large white numbers. Below the date, the text "SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES NOW AVAILABLE" is in smaller white capital letters, also separated by a horizontal white line.

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Leadership Evanston graduates 26th class



The 26th cohort of engaged citizens graduated from Leadership Evanston on Thursday, June 7, 2018. A recognition ceremony and celebration was held at 5:30 p.m. at local Evanston restaurant Red Hot Chili Pepper, 500 Davis Street.

Leadership Evanston Director Jennifer G. Moran said, “As a cohort, Leadership Evanston XXVI found a collective voice for advocacy. Our work in Leadership Evanston encouraged active listening by the participants and resulted in five project teams highlighting the challenges for Evanston’s youth. After 26 years, Leadership Evanston continues to respond to the ever-changing landscape of our community.”

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New ECF board members (from left to right): David Graham, Sandeep Ghaey, Sharon Robinson, and William Wood

ECF announces new board members

ECF announced four new members to its board of directors: Sandeep Ghaey, Owner, Vinic Wine; David Graham, Partner, Sidley Austin LLP; Sharon Robinson, Pediatrician, Northshore University Health System; William Wood, Chief Financial Officer, Applied Acoustics International.

President and CEO Monique B. Jones said, “We are making sure that the decision makers at the Foundation appropriately reflect our community - not just part of it - but all of it.”

ECF thanks Judith A. Aiello, John Cunningham, and Lun Ye Crim Barefield for their years of service to the Foundation as they complete their terms as members of the Board of Directors.

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ECF is a part of the Great Lakes One Water Partnership



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Five shoreline community foundations in Illinois and Northwest Indiana have teamed up to join the Great Lakes One Water Partnership on a new initiative to drive progress on water infrastructure challenges.

This effort is designed to help communities in six regions, around the Great Lakes, develop and implement projects that will secure the region's water future.

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