

Past Philanthropy Award Recipients

Benjamin Franklin Award

2021	Maree G. Bullock	2005	Jamie Phillippe, CFRE	1990	Jimmie R. Alford, CFRE
2020	Sherre Jennings Cullen, CFRE	2004	Jonathon Heintzelman	1989	Clyde P. Watkins, CFRE
2019	Christine Zrinsky	2003	W. Joseph Gartner, CFRE	1988	Larry R. Ter Molen
2018	Mary Ladish Selander	2002	Maria Mangual	1987	Marian J. Gifford, CFRE
2017	Elizabeth J. Hughes	2001	Marilyn Benuska, CFRE	1986	Thomas R. Sanders
2016	Michelle M. Sherbun. PCC, ELI-MP	2000	Mark A. Dennis, Jr.	1985	William Z. Cline
2015	Diane M. McKeever	1999	Christine O'Neill Singer	1984	Thomas G. Sanberg, CFRE
2014	Christopher Jabin	1998	G. Dennis Conroy, CFRE	1983	Richard P. Trenbeth
2013	Penelepe Hunt	1997	Farrell L. Frentress	1982	Charles R. Feldstein
2012	Charles L. Katzenmeyer	1996	William D. Fissinger	1981	Sheldon Garber
2011	Francine Friedman, CFRE	1995	Randy Holgate	1980	Edgar T. Britton
2010	Dorothy Speidel	1994	George Engdahl, CFRE	1979	Thomas Dunworth
2009	Betty Bergstrom, CFRE	1993	Deborah Strauss, CFRE	1978	Margaret L. Eves
2008	Edith H. Falk	1992	Herbert E. Newman	1977	George M. Rudolph
2007	Mary Jane Drews	1991	Willard E. White		

Distinguished Philanthropist Award

2021	Denise & Gary Gardner	2007	The Sasser Family	1992	Jerome H. Stone
2020	Helen Zell	2006	Ann Lurie	1991	Jack and Dollie Galter
2019	Alexandra C. and John D. Nichols	2005	Lois & Harrison Steans Family	1990	The Searle Charitable Trust/Searle Family
2018	Kenneth C. Griffin	2004	Patricia & Vincent Foglia	1989	Lucia Woods Lindley
2017	Col (IL) Jennifer N. Pritzker, IL ARNG (Retired)	2003	Hope Abelson	1988	Jessie V. & W. Clement Stone
2016	Kimball & Karen Anderson	2002	Jim and Kay Mabie	1987	Lehman Foundation
2015	Thomas M. Owens	2001	Dorothy C. & Egon J. Menker	1986	The Regenstien Foundation
2014	Dick & Susan Kiphart	2000	Marian Pawlick	1985	The Crown Family
2013	John & Rita Canning	1999	The Siragusa Foundation	1984	A. N. Pritzker
2012	Diane Gustafson Hill	1998	Mr. & Mrs. Patrick G. Ryan	1983	Marion M. Lloyd
2011	The Duchossois Family	1997	Sidney L. Port	1982	Irving B. Harris
2010	Mike and Pat Koldyke	1996	Joseph P. & Jeanne M. Sullivan	1981	Dr. and Mrs. Edwin J. DeCosta
2009	Richard H. Driehaus	1995	Barbara Levy Kipper	1980	Gaylord Donnelley
2008	Bruce & Diana Rauner	1994	Susan and Lewis Manilow	1979	Mr. and Mrs. Foster G. McGaw
		1993	Charles C. Haffner III		

Emerging Philanthropist

2021	David J. Koo	2019	Dan Weishar	2013	Kerry and Sarah Wood
2020	Chanel Coney	2018	Anthony Rizzo Family Foundation		

Executive Leader Award

2021	Scott C. Swanson	2006	Denis & Sondra Healy	1991	George D. Kennedy
2020	Adela Cepeda	2005	Ronald Gidwitz	1990	Newton N. Minow
2019	George S. Wright	2004	Edward A. Brennan	1989	Arthur R. Velasquez, Jr.
2018	Ilene Gordon	2003	Pam Strobel	1988	John H. Bryan, Jr.
2017	Greg Brown	2002	Richard L. Thomas	1987	Edward G. Gardner
2016	Jesse H. Ruiz	2001	Deborah L. DeHaas	1986	James J. O'Connor
2015	William A. Rudnick	2000	James R. Donnelley	1985	Marshall Field V
2014	Bob Arthur	1999	W. James Farrell	1984	James J. Brice
2013	Allan Muchin	1998	William Osborn	1983	Donald S. Perkins
2012	Frederick H. Waddell	1997	Christie Hefner	1982	James F. Bere
2011	Carol Lavin Bernick	1996	John H. Costello	1981	Frederick G. Jaicks
2010	John W. Rowe	1995	John W. Rogers, Jr.	1980	Robert Leys
2009	Frank M. Clark	1994	Edgar D. Jannotta	1979	John T. Trutter
2008	Edward M. Liddy	1993	Frank W. Considine	1978	William Ingram
2007	Lester N. Coney	1992	Andrew J. McKenna	1977	E. Stanley Enlund

Founders' Award

2016	The Chicago Community Trust	2001	Arthur W. Murray	1987	Eleanor P. Peterson
2012	Marshall Field V	1999	Bruce Newman	1984	Edgar D. Powell
2008	Sandra P. Guthman	1994	Donors Forum of Chicago	1980	L. Aumund Andre

Special Award

2021	Chicago Community COVID-19 Response Fund (Chicago Community Trust & United Way of Metro Chicago)	2014	The late Jimmie R. Alford	1994	The late Arthur Rubloff
		1996	Smith Barney Chicago Mercantile Foundation		

Professional Grantor Award

2021	Donald A. Cooke	2007	Kassie Davis	1993	Joanne C. Ford
2020	Evette M. Cardona	2006	Anne Roosevelt	1992	Marj Lundy
2019	Christine O'Reilly	2005	M. Catherine Crowley Ryan	1991	Sunny Fischer
2018	Julie Chavez	2004	Richard Turner	1990	Jean Rudd
2017	James D. Parsons	2003	Merri Ex	1989	Iris J. Krieg
2016	Steve Solomon	2002	Amina J. Dickerson	1988	Nicholas Goodban
2015	Rosemary Matzl	2001	Alice Cottingham	1987	Craig Kennedy
2014	Francia Harrington	2000	Rebecca Stimson	1986	Ellen J. Benjamin
2013	Bradford L. Ballast	1999	Marilyn Hennessy	1985	Handy L. Lindsey
2012	Ellen Alberding	1998	Sarah Solotaroff	1984	Nadine Van Sant
2011	Deborah Liverett	1997	Jill Darrow	1983	William N. Clark
2010	David Pesqueira	1996	Diane M. Smith	1982	Lizabeth G. Sode
2009	Mary Ann Mallahan	1995	Joyce Grant		
2008	Eileen A. Sweeney	1994	Nikki Stein		

Outstanding Community Leader Award

2021	Dr. Omar Lateef	2010	Lisa Nigro	1999	Jessie Woods
2020	Ricardo Estrada	2009	Rev. Michael M. Boland	1998	Marca Bristo
2019	Liz Thompson	2008	Suellen G. Long	1997	Sokoni Karanja
2018	Joy Aruguete	2007	Michael C. Cook	1996	Patty C. Crowley
2017	Mike and Mariann Stanton	2006	Jerome H. Stone	1995	Thomas Tunney
2016	Diane Latiker	2005	Henry Tews	1994	Rafael Ravelo
2015	Raul I. Raymundo	2004	Gabrielle Lyon & Paul Sereno	1993	Mary Nelson
2014	Valerie S. Lies	2003	Ada Addington	1992	Agaliece Miller
2013	Grant Achatz & Nick Kokonas	2002	Rutha E. Gibson	1991	Irene Johnson
2012	Bernarda Wong	2001	Kompha Seth		
2011	Joseph Podlasek	2000	Margaret Smith		

Outstanding Volunteer Award

2021	Robert Rizzo	2006	Don Jackson	1990	M.P. "Pete" Venema
2020	Claudia Winkler	2005	Robert Reusché	1989	Natalie G. Heineman
2019	Richard W. Hutson	2004	Judy Keller	1988	Marjorie Craig Benton
2018	Michael Matters Foundation	2003	Caryn Platt Tatelli, AM, LCSW	1987	Joan W. Harris
2017	Toni Sandor Smith	2002	Joseph A. DiCara, MD, MPH	1986	Norman Ross
2016	Susan Staehely	2001	Eugene "Gene" Morris	1985	Mrs. Charles J. Runner
2015	Captain James A. Lovell, Jr.	2000	Robert "Bud" Lifton	1984	Betty Reneker
2014	Charles B. Lawless	1999	Ann Barzel	1983	Reverend Dr. Kenneth B. Smith
2013	Bob Lee	1998	Mrs. James (Ellen) O'Connor	1982	Mrs. Louis L. Perlman
2012	Elizabeth Luxem	1997	Nancy Klimley	1981	Junia Hedberg
2011	Lois Zoller	1996	Chuck Hogren	1980	Stanley M. Freehling
2010	Linda I. Ceesia	1995	O. Robert Nottelmann	1979	Honorable Michael J. Howlett
2009	Donna LaPietra & Bill Kurtis	1994	Andrew Thomson, M.D.	1978	Mrs. Malcolm N. Smith
2008	Audrey Tuggle	1993	Katherine S. Mayer		
2007	Lawrence Howe	1992	Sidney Epstein		
		1991	Judith S. Block		

Outstanding Youth in Philanthropy Award

2021	Ravi & Rohan Mahajan and Oak Park-River Forest Community Foundation	2015	Dylan Full	2010	Students of Glenbrook South HS
2020	Felix Castillo	2014	Students of the Chicago Academy For the Arts	2009	Athlete's CARE
2018	Jahkil Jackson	2013	Nathan Pautsch	2008	Elizabeth Abello
2017	Brennan O'Connell-Miller and Katherine Young	2012	Homeless Experts Living Life's Obstacles (H.E.L.L.O.)	2007	Northwestern University Dance Marathon
2016	Swiftly Foundation Board of Directors	2011	Consolidated High School Dist. #230	2006	Wheaton Academy Zambia Project

President's Award

2020	John Huebler, CFRE	2009	Marilyn Foster Kirk, CFRE	2001	Elizabeth Fallon Quilter, CFRE
2019	Jacquelyn M. Bonavia, CFRE	2008	Jill Koski, CFRE	2000	Michael Godnick
2018	Judy T. Lindsey, CFRE	2007	Doug Diefenbach	1999	Heather T. Hutchison, CFRE
2017	Michelle M. Sherbun, PCC, ELI-MP	2006	Juan Calixto, CFRE	1998	Jamie Phillippe, CFRE
2016	Grant Gilbert, CFRE	2005	Cynthia L. Schmidt, CFRE	1997	Diane M. McKeever, Ph.D., CFRE
2013	Alexander F. Pope, CFRE	2003	Barbara Ellen Talisman	1995	Talmadge D. Betts, CFRE
2011	Marilyn Benuska, CFRE	2002	Jay Frey, CFRE	1994	Paul P. Pribbenow, Ph.D., CFRE

1993 Tamara L. Nelson, CFRE
1992 Sandra C. Danforth, CFRE
1991 Edith H. Falk, CFRE
1990 Abbie J. von Schlegell, CFRE
1989 Joan Goldstein, CFRE

1988 Betty Bergstrom, CFRE
1987 Wendy Fisher, CFRE
1986 Sally Ver Schave-Iberg, CFRE
1985 Susan Church
1984 Dorothy Holmes Darby, CFRE

1983 Richard L. Heiss, CFRE
1981 Vernon J. Dockery, CFRE
1980 Nike B. Whitcomb, CFRE
1979 C. Wilson Schroeder, CFRE
1978 Donald A. Campbell, Jr. CFRE