

Past AFP Chicago Philanthropy Award Recipients

Benjamin Franklin Award

2024 Tom Wick
2023 Greg Cameron
2022 Kate Bousum, CFRE
2021 Maree G. Bullock
2020 Sherre Jennings Cullen, CFRE
2019 Christine Zrinsky
2018 Mary Ladish Selander
2017 Elizabeth J. Hughes
2016 Michelle M. Sherburn. PCC, ELI-MP
2015 Diane M. McKeever
2014 Christopher Jabin
2013 Penelepe Hunt
2012 Charles L. Katzenmeyer
2011 Francine Friedman, CFRE
2010 Dorothy Speidel
2009 Betty Bergstrom, CFRE

2008 Edith H. Falk
2007 Mary Jane Drews
2005 Jamie Phillippe, CFRE
2004 Jonathon Heintzelman
2003 W. Joseph Gartner, CFRE
2002 Maria Mangual
2001 Marilyn Benuska, CFRE
2000 Mark A. Dennis, Jr.
1999 Christine O'Neill Singer
1998 G. Dennis Conroy, CFRE
1997 Farrell L. Frentress
1996 William D. Fissinger
1995 Randy Holgate
1994 George Engdahl, CFRE
1993 Deborah Strauss, CFRE
1992 Herbert E. Newman

1991 Willard E. White
1990 Jimmie R. Alford, CFRE
1989 Clyde P. Watkins, CFRE
1988 Larry R. Ter Molen
1987 Marian J. Gifford, CFRE
1986 Thomas R. Sanders
1985 William Z. Cline
1984 Thomas G. Sanberg, CFRE
1983 Richard P. Trenbeth
1982 Charles R. Feldstein
1981 Sheldon Garber
1980 Edgar T. Britton
1979 Thomas Dunworth
1978 Margaret L. Eves
1977 George M. Rudolph

Distinguished Philanthropist Award

2024 Susan and Bob Wislow
2023 Joan & Paul Rubschlager
2022 Walter & Shirley Massey
2021 Denise & Gary Gardner
2020 Helen Zell
2019 Alexandra C. and John D. Nichols
2018 Kenneth C. Griffin
2017 Col (IL) Jennifer N. Pritzker, IL ARNG
(Retired)
2016 Kimball & Karen Anderson
2015 Thomas M. Owens
2014 Dick & Susan Kiphart
2013 John & Rita Canning
2012 Diane Gustafson Hill
2011 The Duchossois Family
2010 Mike and Pat Koldyke

2009 Richard H. Driehaus
2008 Bruce & Diana Rauner
2007 The Sasser Family
2006 Ann Lurie
2005 Lois & Harrison Steans Family
2004 Patricia & Vincent Foglia
2003 Hope Abelson
2002 Jim and Kay Mabie
2001 Dorothy C. & Egon J. Menker
2000 Marian Pawlick
1999 The Siragusa Foundation
1998 Mr. & Mrs. Patrick G. Ryan
1997 Sidney L. Port
1996 Joseph P. & Jeanne M. Sullivan
1995 Barbara Levy Kipper
1994 Susan and Lewis Manilow

1993 Charles C. Haffner III
1992 Jerome H. Stone
1991 Jack and Dollie Galter
1990 The Searle Charitable
Trust/Searle Family
1989 Lucia Woods Lindley
1988 Jessie V. & W. Clement Stone
1987 Lehman Foundation
1986 The Regenstein Foundation
1985 The Crown Family
1984 A. N. Pritzker
1983 Marion M. Lloyd
1982 Irving B. Harris
1981 Dr. and Mrs. Edwin J. DeCosta
1980 Gaylord Donnelley
1979 Mr. and Mrs. Foster G. McGaw

Emerging Philanthropist

2023 Kelsey Malnati Howell
2022 Ellen-Blair Chube
2021 David J. Koo

2020 Chanel Coney
2019 Dan Weishar

2018 Anthony Rizzo Family Foundation
2013 Kerry and Sarah Wood

Executive Leader Award

2024 Michael O'Grady
2022 Eric S. Smith
2021 Scott C. Swanson
2020 Adela Cepeda
2019 George S. Wright
2018 Ilene Gordon
2017 Greg Brown
2016 Jesse H. Ruiz
2015 William A. Rudnick
2014 Bob Arthur
2013 Allan Muchin
2012 Frederick H. Waddell
2011 Carol Lavin Bernick
2010 John W. Rowe
2009 Frank M. Clark
2008 Edward M. Liddy

2007 Lester N. Coney
2006 Denis & Sondra Healy
2005 Ronald Gidwitz
2004 Edward A. Brennan
2003 Pam Strobel
2002 Richard L. Thomas
2001 Deborah L. DeHaas
2000 James R. Donnelley
1999 W. James Farrell
1998 William Osborn
1997 Christie Hefner
1996 John H. Costello
1995 John W. Rogers, Jr.
1994 Edgar D. Jannotta
1993 Frank W. Considine
1992 Andrew J. McKenna

1991 George D. Kennedy
1990 Newton N. Minow
1989 Arthur R. Velasquez, Jr.
1988 John H. Bryan, Jr.
1987 Edward G. Gardner
1986 James J. O'Connor
1985 Marshall Field V
1984 James J. Brice
1983 Donald S. Perkins
1982 James F. Bere
1981 Frederick G. Jaicks
1980 Robert Leys
1979 John T. Trutter
1978 William Ingram
1977 E. Stanley Enlund

Founders Award

2024 Donald A. Campbell, Jr., CFRE
2016 The Chicago Community Trust
2012 Marshall Field V
2008 Sandra P. Guthman

2001 Arthur W. Murray
1999 Bruce Newman
1994 Donors Forum of Chicago
1987 Eleanor P. Peterson

1984 Edgar D. Powell
1980 L. Aumund Andre

Special Award

- 2024 Jill Zimmerman and Kate Maehr
2021 Chicago Community COVID-19 Response Fund (Chicago Community Trust & United Way of Metro Chicago)
2014 The late Jimmie R. Alford
1996 Smith Barney Chicago Mercantile Foundation
1994 The late Arthur Rubloff

Professional Grantor Award

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| 2024 Michelle Morales | 2009 Mary Ann Mallahan | 1994 Nikki Stein |
| 2023 Deborah E. Bennett | 2008 Eileen A. Sweeney | 1993 Joanne C. Ford |
| 2022 Ellie Forman | 2007 Kassie Davis | 1992 Marj Lundy |
| 2021 Donald A. Cooke | 2006 Anne Roosevelt | 1991 Sunny Fischer |
| 2020 Evette M. Cardona | 2005 M. Catherine Crowley Ryan | 1990 Jean Rudd |
| 2019 Christine O'Reilly | 2004 Richard Turner | 1989 Iris J. Krieg |
| 2018 Julie Chavez | 2003 Merri Ex | 1988 Nicholas Goodban |
| 2017 James D. Parsons | 2002 Amina J. Dickerson | 1987 Craig Kennedy |
| 2016 Steve Solomon | 2001 Alice Cottingham | 1986 Ellen J. Benjamin |
| 2015 Rosemary Matzl | 2000 Rebecca Stimson | 1985 Handy L. Lindsey |
| 2014 Francia Harrington | 1999 Marilyn Hennessey | 1984 Nadine Van Sant |
| 2013 Bradford L. Ballast | 1998 Sarah Solotaroff | 1983 William N. Clark |
| 2012 Ellen Alberding | 1997 Jill Darrow | 1982 Lizabeth G. Sode |
| 2011 Deborah Liverett | 1996 Diane M. Smith | |
| 2010 David Pesqueira | 1995 Joyce Grant | |

Outstanding Community Leader Award

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| 2024 Ayesha Jaco, MAM | 2012 Bernarda Wong | 2000 Margaret Smith |
| 2023 Pastor Corey B. Brooks | 2011 Joseph Podlasek | 1999 Jessie Woods |
| 2022 Brenda Battle | 2010 Lisa Nigro | 1998 Marca Bristo |
| 2021 Dr. Omar Lateef | 2009 Rev. Michael M. Boland | 1997 Sokoni Karanja |
| 2020 Ricardo Estrada | 2008 Suellen G. Long | 1996 Patty C. Crowley |
| 2019 Liz Thompson | 2007 Michael C. Cook | 1995 Thomas Tunney |
| 2018 Joy Aruguete | 2006 Jerome H. Stone | 1994 Rafael Ravelo |
| 2017 Mike and Mariann Stanton | 2005 Henry Tews | 1993 Mary Nelson |
| 2016 Diane Latiker | 2004 Gabrielle Lyon & Paul Sereno | 1992 Agaliece Miller |
| 2015 Raul I. Raymundo | 2003 Ada Addington | 1991 Irene Johnson |
| 2014 Valerie S. Lies | 2002 Rutha E. Gibson | |
| 2013 Grant Achatz & Nick Kokonas | 2001 Kompha Seth | |

Outstanding Volunteer Award

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| 2024 Barbara Morton, PhD | 2007 Lawrence Howe | 1991 Judith S. Block |
| 2023 Jennifer Guzman | 2006 Don Jackson | 1990 M.P. "Pete" Venema |
| 2021 Robert Rizzo | 2005 Robert Reusché | 1989 Natalie G. Heineman |
| 2020 Claudia Winkler | 2004 Judy Keller | 1988 Marjorie Craig Benton |
| 2019 Richard W. Hutson | 2003 Caryn Platt Tatelli, AM, LCSW | 1987 Joan W. Harris |
| 2018 Michael Matters Foundation | 2002 Joseph A. DiCara, MD, MPH | 1986 Norman Ross |
| 2017 Toni Sandor Smith | 2001 Eugene "Gene" Morris | 1985 Mrs. Charles J. Runner |
| 2016 Susan Staehely | 2000 Robert "Bud" Lifton | 1984 Betty Reneker |
| 2015 Captain James A. Lovell, Jr. | 1999 Ann Barzel | 1983 Reverend Dr. Kenneth B. Smith |
| 2014 Charles B. Lawless | 1998 Mrs. James (Ellen) O'Connor | 1982 Mrs. Louis L. Perlman |
| 2013 Bob Lee | 1997 Nancy Klimley | 1981 Junia Hedberg |
| 2012 Elizabeth Luxem | 1996 Chuck Hogren | 1980 Stanley M. Freehling |
| 2011 Lois Zoller | 1995 O. Robert Nottelmann | 1979 Honorable Michael J. Howlett |
| 2010 Linda I. Celesia | 1994 Andrew Thomson, M.D. | 1978 Mrs. Malcolm N. Smith |
| 2009 Donna LaPietra & Bill Kurtis | 1993 Katherine S. Mayer | |
| 2008 Audrey Tuggle | 1992 Sidney Epstein | |

Outstanding Youth in Philanthropy Award

2024 Latin School of Chicago Student Philanthropy Initiative	2017 Brennan O'Connell-Miller and Katherine Young	2011 Consolidated High School Dist. #230
2023 Ava Gresser	2016 Swift Foundation Board of Directors	2010 Students of Glenbrook South HS
2021 Ravi & Rohan Mahajan and Oak Park-River Forest Community Foundation Foundation	2015 Dylan Full	2009 Athlete's CARE
2020 Felix Castillo	2014 Students of the Chicago Academy For the Arts	2008 Elizabeth Abello
2018 Jahkil Jackson	2013 Nathan Pautsch	2007 Northwestern University Dance Marathon
	2012 Homeless Experts Living Life's Obstacles (H.E.L.L.O.)	2006 Wheaton Academy Zambia Project

President's Award

2020 John Huebler, CFRE	2003 Barbara Ellen Talisman	1990 Abbie J. von Schlegell, CFRE
2019 Jacquelyn M. Bonavia, CFRE	2002 Jay Frey, CFRE	1989 Joan Goldstein, CFRE
2018 Judy T. Lindsey, CFRE	2001 Elizabeth Fallon Quilter, CFRE	1988 Betty Bergstrom, CFRE
2017 Michelle M. Sherbun, PCC, ELI-MP	2000 Michael Godnick	1987 Wendy Fisher, CFRE
2016 Grant Gilbert, CFRE	1999 Heather T. Hutchison, CFRE	1986 Sally Ver Schave-Iberg, CFRE
2013 Alexander F. Pope, CFRE	1998 Jamie Phillippe, CFRE	1985 Susan Church
2011 Marilyn Benuska, CFRE	1997 Diane M. McKeever, Ph.D., CFRE	1984 Dorothy Holmes Darby, CFRE
2009 Marilyn Foster Kirk, CFRE	1995 Talmadge D. Betts, CFRE	1983 Richard L. Heiss, CFRE
2008 Jill Koski, CFRE	1994 Paul P. Pribbenow, Ph.D., CFRE	1981 Vernon J. Dockery, CFRE
2007 Doug Dieffenbach	1993 Tamara L. Nelson, CFRE	1980 Nike B. Whitcomb, CFRE
2006 Juan Calixto, CFRE	1992 Sandra C. Danforth, CFRE	1979 C. Wilson Schroeder, CFRE
2005 Cynthia L. Schmidt, CFRE	1991 Edith H. Falk, CFRE	1978 Donald A. Campbell, Jr. CFRE