HILARY WARD



For more than 20 years Hilary has dedicated her career to the philanthropic sector working as a grantmaker, fundraiser and community organizer. Currently, she serves as the Global Director of Community Impact & Philanthropy at McDonald's Corporation, overseeing the brand's Community Impact Strategy, working to deepen McDonald's community engagement and leveraging financial, volunteer, and in-kind philanthropic investments in communities around the globe.

Previously she served as the Director of Development for Ronald McDonald House Charities, Inc. (RMHC), the official mission partner of McDonald's Corporation where she led the fundraising and corporate

engagement strategy helping to raise more than \$60MM in revenue supporting local RMHC Chapters around the world. Hilary has also held various development and grantmaking leadership roles with local and national organizations including the YMCA of the U.S.A., The Chicago Urban League and the Chicago Foundation for Women and has provided consulting services to several small and emerging nonprofit organizations.

Hilary is also a passionate and committed leader in her community. She is an alum of the Council on Foundations Career Pathways Diversity Leadership Cohort (2021) and serves on the board of Chicago Women in Philanthropy.

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