Special Thank You to Our Co-Sponsors
Lake County government is committed to promoting and sustaining a safe, healthy, vibrant and environmentally responsible county, while maintaining its strong financial position. In partnership with citizens, communities and all levels of government, we pledge to deliver efficient and high quality public services consistent with the community’s values and priorities. For more information, visit www.lakecountyil.gov

The Live Well Lake County (LWLC) Steering Committee is comprised of representatives from a variety of community based organizations, government agencies, health care systems, and academic institutions. The purpose of the committee is to guide the community health assessment process, prioritize community issues, and collaborate with one another and with stakeholders outside of the committee to take action and improve the overall health and well-being of residents in Lake County. For more information about LWLC, Lake County’s community health improvement plan, or local data visit www.livewelllakecounty.org

Since 2003, The Lake County Community Foundation has partnered with donors to help make giving simple and impactful. Together, we have supported more than 175 nonprofit organizations that work to address the most pressing issues across Lake County and transform the lives of our most vulnerable neighbors. We are dedicated to building strategic alliances with all of our stakeholders to develop personal, powerful approaches to philanthropy that unite our community. The Foundation is committed to building a stronger, healthier Lake County for all residents and works toward this goal by providing civic leadership, promoting collective philanthropy and partnering with our grant recipients. To learn more about how you can invest in your community, please contact Maggie Morales, Manager of Community Engagement, at (847)377-0520 or Maggie@lakecountycf.org or visit www.lakecountycf.org

The Lake County Health Department and Community Health Center is state-certified and accredited by the Public Health Accreditation Board. Through the assessment of needs, the development of policy and the provision of accessible, quality services, the Lake County Health Department and Community Health Center promotes physical, mental and social well-being, prevents disease, injury and disability, and protects the environment.

Lake County Partners is a 501(c)(3) economic development corporation that works with public and private stakeholders to maintain economic vitality in Lake County, Illinois by creating and retaining quality jobs, stimulating capital investment, and pursuing economic diversity. The organization focuses on leveraging resources, facilitating collaboration, aligning workforce supply with industry demands, and promoting Lake County to attract, retain and expand businesses. A key focus of the organization’s communication strategy is the “Lake County Promise,” a tagline for the strong community assets that Lake County can be counted on to deliver to employers and employees—a highly educated workforce, beautiful and diverse recreational areas, a gateway to global markets, a healthy balance between work and play, top-ranking schools, world-class healthcare, global industry leaders, and a first-rate quality of life.
Loyola University Chicago, founded in 1870, is one of the nation’s largest Jesuit, Catholic universities and the only one in Chicago. We are consistently ranked a top 100 national university and recognized for community service and engagement by prestigious national organizations such as the Carnegie Foundation and the Corporation for National and Community Service. At Loyola, we are a diverse community dedicated to expanding knowledge in the service of humanity through learning, justice, and faith. With the development of the Cuneo Mansion and Gardens as an important, and viable, educational center, Loyola is pleased to expand our academic outreach and transformative mission to the people of Lake County.

For more information on Loyola’s commitment to Lake County and our ongoing programs, please contact Dr. Janet V. Deatherage, Executive Director, Office of Corporate Engagement, at (312) 915-6512, or corporate@luc.edu. Additional information can be found on our webpages at www.luc.edu/corporate and www.luc.edu/cuneo

At Northwestern Medicine Lake Forest Hospital, the patient comes first. We are an organization of caregivers who aspire to consistently provide high standards of quality care, cost-effectiveness and patient satisfaction. We seek to improve the health of the communities we serve by delivering a broad range of services with sensitivity to the individual needs of our patients and their families. We are bonded in an essential academic and service relationship with the Feinberg School of Medicine of Northwestern University. The quality of our services is enhanced through their integration with education and research in an environment that encourages excellence of practice, critical inquiry and learning.

NMLFH and its community partners share the vision of a healthy community and are committed to working together to address significant health needs of Lake County. For additional information, visit www.nm.org or contact Community Affairs at (312)926-7147.

Founded in 1918, NorthShore Highland Park Hospital has provided high-quality healthcare and a wide range of clinical programs for the people of Lake County and beyond for nearly a century. The hospital is the site of the first open-heart surgery in Lake County, and continues to provide a full range of cardiac diagnosis and intervention services. Highland Park Hospital’s Kellogg Cancer Center offers the most comprehensive subspecialty care for oncology patients. Specialized physicians provide care for the following types of cancer: thoracic and lung, hematology, breast, ovarian, head and neck, melanoma and sarcoma, gastrointestinal, prostate and stomach.

Highland Park Hospital is a Joint Commission certified Primary Stroke Center—providing an acute stroke team 24 hours a day, seven days a week for rapid diagnosis and treatment. The Emergency Department at Highland Park Hospital acts as the region’s "pod" hospital for disaster-response activities, coordinating Lake County’s efforts when confronted with a disaster.

The hospital is currently undergoing a multi-million-dollar modernization project that will include a brand-new inpatient unit with all private patient rooms; four larger operating rooms to accommodate complex surgeries and six renovated
operating rooms with new technological capabilities; enhanced radiology and cardiology services; and updated labor and delivery services to improve the patient experience. The project is expected to be completed in 2017.

Vista Health System has been a major healthcare provider in Lake County since 1891, and we remain fully committed to delivering exceptional care for the people of our community. Vista is a network that includes two hospitals in Waukegan, Vista Medical Center East, including a level 2 trauma emergency room and Vista Medical Center West, including a full service emergency room; the Vista Lindenhurst campus that includes the Vista Ambulatory Care Center; Lindenhurst Surgery Center, LLC; the Vista Freestanding Emergency Center; and the Vista Medical Office Building. The health system also has several locations for imaging, patient therapy and physician practices throughout Lake County.

At Vista Health System, we’re devoted to excellence in our patients’ healthcare. We have worked hard to achieve status as certified Centers of Excellence in Chest Pain, Advance Stroke Care and many other critical areas of patient care, and we will continue to measure ourselves to the highest standards. We focus on bringing our patients current technology and surgical procedures, and more importantly, highly trained professionals. And we work hard every day to be a place of healing, caring and connection for patients and families in the community we call home.

For more information, please visit www.VistaHealth.com or call (847) 360-3000.

Advocate Health Care is a faith-based, not-for-profit health system related to both the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the United Church of Christ. Advocate’s mission is to serve the health needs of individuals, families and communities through a holistic philosophy rooted in the fundamental understanding of human beings as created in the image of God. This holistic approach provides quality care and service and treats each patient with dignity, respect and integrity. To guide its relationships and actions, Advocate embraces the five values of compassion, equality, excellence, partnership and stewardship.

The mission, values and holistic philosophy (MVP) permeate all areas of Advocate’s healing ministry and are integrated into every aspect of the organization building a cultural foundation. The MVP calls Advocate to extend its services into the community to address access to care issues and to improve the health and well-being of the people in the communities Advocate serves. As Advocate Hospitals, Condell Medical Center and Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital both embrace the Advocate system MVP.

Advocate Health Care has established a Community Health strategy for all hospitals within its health system. Through this strategy, Advocate strives to:

- Approach community health assessment and interventions with a collective impact focus;
- Identify and develop interventions that are data-informed, evidence-based and outcome-driven;
- Focus on health inequity through a social determinant lens;
• Collaborate with a wide variety of community stakeholders in the development and implementation of community interventions; and
• Align with Advocate population health and service line operations to affect change both within the internal clinical system and within the community.

For more information on Advocate Health Care, please contact Jeanne Ang, Director of Community Health, at (847) 842-4088, or Jeanne.ang@advocatehealth.com. Additional information can be found at www.advocatehealth.com

Rosalind Franklin University Health Clinics – the health services component of Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science in North Chicago – provides our community with primary and podiatric care, as well as meeting the reproductive and behavioral health needs of area residents. The Health Clinics works with our patients to achieve and maintain their best overall health. We provide care at three clinic locations – North Chicago, Libertyville and Vernon Hills – and out in the community via the Community Care Connection mobile unit, which offers a variety of screenings and exams at convenient locations throughout Lake County. A healthy community is a thriving community, and we are dedicated to supporting the health and wellness of our neighbors.

For more information, please contact Michael Smith, Director of Community Health Engagement, at (847) 578-8670, or m.smith@rfuhs.com. Additional information can be found at www.rfuclinics.com

The College of Lake County (CLC) is a comprehensive community college that delivers high quality, accessible learning opportunities to advance student success and strengthen the diverse communities we serve. CLC provides students with a life-changing path from dreams to bright futures. CLC strives to be an innovative educational institution offering exceptional learning experiences and to be widely recognized for student success, business and community partnerships and for the achievements of faculty, staff and alumni.

For more information, visit CLC’s website at www.clcillinois.edu

The mission of the Lake County Regional Office of Education is to serve as an advocate for education by providing effective leadership, performing regulatory functions in partnership with the Illinois State Board of Education as directed by The School Code of Illinois, coordinating and delivering state and local services, and disseminating information to educators, school districts and the community.

The Lake County Regional Office of Education works closely with numerous agencies within the community and state and local governments in order to provide children in Lake County with the necessary tools for success in all areas of life and to shape and enrich their view of the world. The social, emotional, physical, and mental health of the people of Lake County are critically important aspects of successful education programs.
The Regional Superintendent of Schools maintains that any Lake County citizen who has the need and the desire for educational opportunity shall have it. The Regional Office of Education stands firm in the belief that “every child must have the opportunity to achieve success every day.” For more information, please visit our website at www.lake.k12.il.us

University of Illinois Extension is the flagship outreach effort of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, offering educational programs to local residents.

Extension provides practical education you can trust to help people, businesses, and communities solve problems, develop skills, and build a better future. U of I Extension offers educational programs in five broad areas:

- Energy and environmental stewardship
- Food safety and security
- Economic development and workforce preparedness
- Family health, financial security, and wellness
- Youth development

While most Extension programs are offered on an informal, non-credit basis, U of I Extension does offer continuing education credits in some fields of study. Extension programs may be offered as hands-on workshops, field days, online self-paced tutorials, or in other formats that are suitable for the audience and subject-matter.

For more information about Extension Programming, visit our website at http://web.extension.illinois.edu/lm/. To partner with our organization, please contact James E. Reaves, County Director, at jereaves@illinois.edu

Created by Meemic Insurance Company and founded as a nonprofit organization in 1992, The Meemic Foundation for the Future of Education is dedicated to offering financial assistance to public, private, parochial and charter schools, and colleges and universities. Over the course of two decades, we've been pleased to support some truly inspiring educators. In 2016, The Meemic Foundation is set to give $500,000 in grants, to support innovative programs, events and projects that will significantly impacted the classroom experience. For more information, visit www.Educationinsuranceagency@meemic.com or call Kevin Smith at (847) 388-0044.

Established in 1944, the Illinois Park and Recreation Association is the state association for professionals in the field of parks and recreation in Illinois. Our mission is to provide and promote exceptional standards of education, networking, and resources for all professionals in the Illinois park, recreation, and conservation communities. One way we enact this mission is through our “Unplug Illinois” initiative to raise visibility and awareness to the environmental sustainability, wellness, and economic impact parks and recreation agencies have on the communities they serve. Parks and recreation is important in Lake County and across the state, because it leads to healthier lifestyles, sustainable environments, thriving economies, and engaged communities. For more information, go to www.IIPra.org or www.unplugillinois.org
The Illinois Association of Park Districts is a nonprofit service, research and education organization that serves park districts, forest preserves, conservation, municipal park and recreation, and special recreation agencies. The association advances these agencies, their citizen board members and professional staff in their ability to provide outstanding park and recreation opportunities, preserve natural resources and improve the quality of life for all people in Illinois.

For more information, visit www.ilparks.org