In Their Own Words

“Since becoming an IICF grant recipient two years ago, Center Theatre Group’s Student Matinee program has brought 12,417 underserved students into our theatres, many for the first time, and provided 1,210 educators with the tools to integrate the arts into their classrooms. IICF’s support continues to play an integral role in transforming the lives of these future leaders of Los Angeles, and our city is stronger for it.”

- Leslie Johnson, Center Theatre Group’s Director of Social Strategy, Innovation and Impact

BY THE NUMBERS

2016 Week of Giving
Volunteers: 8,463
Hours Served: 21,757
Projects: Nearly 400
Cities: 115

UPCOMING EVENTS

11/09/2017
Northeast Associate Board
Trivia Night
New York City, NY DETAILS >

11/14/2017
Western Division
Colorado Chapter
Bowling Tournament
Lakewood, CO DETAILS >

11/15/2017
Midwest Division
Rock for Charity
Hard Rock Cafe Chicago
DETAILS >

12/13/2017
Northeast Division
Annual Benefit Dinner
Sheraton Times Square Hotel
New York City, NY DETAILS >

Look for details soon on Benefit Dinners in 2018
> Dallas, Feb 1, 2018
> Chicago, March 8, 2018
> Los Angeles, March 15, 2018

An Incredible Week of Giving Concludes as Insurance Volunteers Exemplify the IICF Mission of Helping Communities and Enriching Lives, Together!

Thank you! Through the dedication and commitment of all Week of Giving volunteers and companies, we have been able to again support hundreds of nonprofits and charities throughout the United States and United Kingdom – and make a real difference in so many
The Week of Giving highlights below, from just a few volunteer events, illustrate the wide reach and significant impact of the industry’s volunteer service.

. London / The Girls’ Network – Mentoring Young Girls from Underserved Communities about Professional Opportunities in Insurance

PwC hosted more than twenty young girls, ages 16-18, from low-income communities, along with twelve women from eight insurance companies, who shared their knowledge of the business world in general and insurance in particular, to open up opportunities and networks these young ladies would not otherwise be exposed to in their lives. The purpose of this event was to inspire and encourage young girls currently at school to consider the insurance industry as a future career option through interactive group discussions led by Week of Giving volunteers on the types of insurance, and how different skills and interests could apply to a job in insurance. One girl interested in being a pilot discovered she’d also like to consider working in Aviation for an insurance company.

. Texas / Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston National Cemeteries – Maintenance, Repairs and Clean up to Honor Servicemen and Servicewomen and their Families

Over the course of two days in these Texas cities, more than 400 insurance professionals – representing 19 companies – joined together in a tremendous show of support and respect through National Cemetery Week of Giving events, in what has become an annual and growing Texas tradition. Morning and afternoon shifts, with hundreds of IICF volunteers each, worked closely with their company colleagues and industry competitors alike as they cleaned gravestones, weeded, mulched, painted and more. Many of the volunteers have family or loved ones who have served in the United States military and are buried in these grounds, making this volunteering all the more meaningful. It is rewarding and humbling to clean and beautify the grounds as well as work with the staff, who all are veterans themselves.

. San Francisco / Family House – Supporting families with children facing serious illness

Dozens of Week of Giving industry volunteers, representing three companies, lent their compassionate assistance throughout the entire week at Family House in San Francisco. Serving families of seriously ill children receiving medical treatment, many who live at or
below low-income status, Family House provides a home away from home and a supportive community for these families.

Industry volunteers joined in providing support to families facing these emotional and trying circumstances as their children undergo treatment for cancer, transplants and other life-threatening conditions. Together, Week of Giving volunteers prepared breakfast for families and ran morning crafts activities for the children prior to their days’ treatments on various days throughout the week.

. Philadelphia / Philadelphia Fire Department – Distributing and installing home smoke detectors in lower income communities

A large team of volunteers in Philadelphia opened Week of Giving 2017 with the first event of this year’s worldwide initiative! In what has become an annual tradition, representatives from several leading insurance companies went door-to-door to homes in Philadelphia’s Strawberry Mansion section distributing new, free smoke detectors and assisting with installation.

This year, as Fire Prevention Week coincided with the Week of Giving, volunteers were joined by the Philadelphia Fire Commissioner and firefighters. Fire officials have stated in the past that they’ve tracked the neighborhoods where these smoke detectors have been installed, and data shows they save lives and property. This important safety program was conceived with the Philadelphia Fire Department and the Insurance Society of Philadelphia, and continues each year in a growing community partnership.

. Chicago / Cradles to Crayons – Preparing Winter Packs for underprivileged children

Thanks to a tremendous showing of insurance industry volunteers in Chicago, many children in need may feel a bit warmer in their new winter clothes - and through the warmth of community support. Over two days during the Week of Giving, 110 volunteers representing seven companies, helped at Cradles to Crayons preparing Winter Packs as part of Gear up for Winter, which includes winter outerwear such as coats, hats, gloves and boots, along with a week’s worth winter clothing, and books. The Winter Packs will be distributed to children in need throughout the Chicago community.
With more than 200,000 children living in poverty in Chicago, the need for assistance is great. Cradles to Crayons provides children from birth through age 12, living in homeless or low-income situations, with the essential items they need to thrive. IICF is proud to have had volunteers supporting Cradles to Crayons in Boston and Philadelphia as well as Chicago.

Week of Giving helps us give back to our communities in so many meaningful ways, while also allowing us as individuals to feel a part of something larger and greater than ourselves. This week offers such a great opportunity to support a cause you’re passionate about, learn about new community programs and organizations, and bring literacy opportunities to children in need – and what a gift that is. All this while team-building with your coworkers and in many cases, camaraderie with colleagues who may be your professional competitors outside of the volunteer setting. Our industry is at its best as we unite in service and show how #insurancegivesback!

We hope you and all those volunteering from your organizations had a wonderful experience being a part of something greater! Please plan to join us again next October for Week of Giving 2018!

**IICF Community Contributes more than $535,000 in Disaster Relief Funds following Recent Hurricanes and Wildfires**

We at IICF continue to be humbled by the generosity and support shown for communities throughout the United States in the aftermath of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria and the California Wildfires. Through the IICF Disaster Relief Funds alone, more than $535,000 has been contributed by insurance companies, along with individual donations from well over 1,000 insurance professionals.

Much research has been underway, through the IICF Executive Directors and Board members, of local nonprofits and charities serving the areas so greatly affected by these natural disasters, and 100% of the funds raised will be granted to directly benefit those impacted the storms and fires. Relief funds have already been granted in the Houston area, including $230,000 so far to local nonprofits: Greater Houston Community Foundation, Houston Habitat for Humanity, Houston Food Bank, Mission Squash and SBP.
As so many begin to recover and eventually rebuild their homes, businesses and daily lives in these areas, the **ICF California Wildfire Relief Fund continues to accept donations** for the tens of thousands facing extreme hardship following the devastating fires. The wildfires in Northern California are already considered one of the worst natural disasters in California history, with more than 200,000 acres burned, nearly 6,000 homes and structures damaged or destroyed, employment opportunities lost for so many lower-income families, and tragically, more than 40 lives lost.

The IICF Western Division Board of Directors has pledged $20,000 in matching contributions to the relief fund, and the National Division will match this contribution with an additional $20,000 to the wildfire relief efforts.

**If you would like to contribute to the IICF California Wildfire Relief Fund, please donate here.**

### Northeast Benefit Dinner in New York to Close the Year of IICF Annual Fundraisers

IICF is hosting the **11th Annual IICF Northeast Benefit Dinner on December 13, 2017 in New York**, again expecting 1,000 insurance executives and professionals in attendance. This is the must-attend insurance charity event of the year in the Northeast as insurance leaders, glitterati and celebrity speakers join in celebration of the industry’s philanthropic achievements and contributions to the community.

This year IICF is honoring Ryan Specialty Group for their business and philanthropic leadership with the IICF “Double I” Award for influence in the industry and impact in the community. The award will be accepted by Patrick G. Ryan, Founder, Chairman and CEO of Ryan Specialty Group.

Other highlights include featured celebrity speakers Mariano Rivera, Former Pitcher for the New York Yankees and Founder of the Mariano Rivera Foundation, and Gayle King, Co-host, “CBS This Morning” and Editor at Large of O, the Oprah Magazine. Both of these special guests will be accepting grants on behalf of favorite charities.

Last year, $1.4 million was raised to fund 29 grants to nonprofits and charities in the New York tri-state area, and over the past ten years, more than $7.5 million has been raised for regional nonprofits.

The event will be hosted at the Sheraton NY Times Square Hotel this year. Please click here to purchase tickets and sponsorships or please contact Elizabeth Myatt, IICF Executive Director, Northeast Division at emyatt@iicf.com

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### Join IICF at the Red Carpet Insurance Business America Awards

On November 29, insurance industry professional from across the U.S. will gather in Chicago for the ‘Oscars of the Insurance Industry’ – the Insurance Business America Awards.
Awards! Winners will be selected in 23 categories by a panel of industry experts and announced at the black-tie awards ceremony hosted by TV superstar sensation Alfonso Ribeiro.

IICF has been selected by Insurance Business America as the Charity Partner of the Awards event, and select proceeds will directly benefit the IICF Early Literacy Initiative, which aims to help provide every young child the opportunity to learn, read and write – regardless of economic means.

IICF supporters can be involved by entering the Awards contest to receive a donation in your company's name. Enter through Twitter or Facebook by clicking here.

Tickets to the Awards are still available for purchase here here. Don't miss out on this exciting industry event!

IICF Women in Insurance Regional Forums Return in 2018!

IICF will continue to lead important industry conversations on diversity and inclusion with five regional, one-day events in 2018, held in New York (June 7), Chicago (June 14), Dallas (June 19) and Los Angeles (June 21), as part of the Women in Insurance Conference Series.

Click here for contact information on upcoming Women in Insurance events and look for more details to follow soon.

The Holiday Shopping Season is Coming - You Can Support IICF and Your Community with Purchases

Enjoy the convenience of online shopping by making purchases through AmazonSmile, and support IICF at the same time! Amazon will donate 0.5% of your purchase total to IICF each time you shop, which can add up to meaningful community funds!

Here is a refresher on how to sign up, shop AmazonSmile and support IICF:

Go to smile.amazon.com
Log on using your normal Amazon user ID and password
Enter "Insurance Industry Charitable Foundation" into the charity search box
Click the SEARCH button
Click the SELECT button next to the Insurance Industry Charitable Foundation
Start shopping!
Each time you shop, remember to return to smile.amazon.com for your purchases to benefit IICF.

Let’s Get Social!

Want to keep up with the latest from IICF and hear from those benefiting by your support? Connect with us on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn.

Special thanks to all those who shared #IICFWeekofGiving photos and messages on social media! We’d love to see even more so please continue sharing all the fun and meaningful ways #insurancegivesback!

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