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### WHO WE ARE

Chicago Lights believes every person should have access to the resources they need to overcome economic and social barriers and achieve their ambitions.

We do this by providing creative youth development and adult social services that help people build the skills they need to transcend systemic barriers and lead fulfilling lives.

Our mission is to partner with youth and adults to build brighter futures through supportive relationships and life-changing programs.



### WHAT WE DO

#### Empowering Chicago's youth

We offer comprehensive programming for youth to help them unleash their potential – because everyone deserves a bright future.



#### **Tutoring**

Supporting academic and personal growth for students



#### **Summer Day**

Promoting dynamic summer learning and enrichment



#### **Urban Farm**

Growing food, community, and job skills

#### Empowering Chicago's Adults

We help adults pursue and reach their goals toward achieving greater stability. Our food, clothing, housing and other resources help build healthy and fulfilling lives.



#### **Social Service Center**

Self-development through supportive services



To learn more about Chicago Lights  
visit us at [www.chicagolights.org](http://www.chicagolights.org).



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Become a sponsor and help thousands of Chicago youth and adults through supportive relationships and life-changing programs.

As a sponsor, you will:

- Help 3,000+ people build the skills they need to transcend system barriers and lead fulfilling lives.
- Foster academic and personal growth for 200+ students paired with caring volunteer mentors.
- Combat summer learning loss for 100+ 1<sup>st</sup>–9<sup>th</sup> grade students through dynamic academic and enrichment programming.
- Support 2,000 adults experiencing homelessness or poverty achieve their individual goals.
- Offer an urban oasis to over 350 youth and adults for hands-on-learning, community, and access to healthy produce.



In 2024, Chicago Lights celebrated sixty years of commitment to social justice and compassionate service that began with the founding of our Tutoring program in 1964 thanks to a partnership between Fourth Presbyterian Church and residents in the former Cabrini-Green neighborhood.

Since the inception of Tutoring in 1964, Chicago Lights has partnered with more than 60,000 people. Today, we annually connect with more than 3,000 individuals through mentoring and supportive services, academic enrichment, career development, and arts education.



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## 2025 Sponsorship Opportunities

Visit [www.chicagolights.org/events](http://www.chicagolights.org/events) to learn more. Make your commitment today! For more information contact Caryn Blomquist at [cblomquist@chicagolights.org](mailto:cblomquist@chicagolights.org) or 312-981-3564.

Our programs do more than provide resources—they foster meaningful connections that empower individuals to achieve their dreams. Here are some of the ways we use donor funds to build impactful relationships and create the positive change we strive for.

	SERVING YOUTH THROUGH TUTORING AND SUMMER DAY	SERVING COMMUNITY THROUGH THE URBAN FARM	SERVING ADULTS THROUGH THE SOCIAL SERVICES CENTER
<b>\$50K</b>	<b>Transportation:</b> Provides reliable, safe and easy access to tutoring for K-12 students	<b>Urban Farm Production:</b> Cultivates over 6,000 lbs. of fresh produce annually, providing a foundation for all Urban Farm programming	<b>Housing Opportunities Program:</b> Connects individuals with safe, affordable housing, paving paths to self-sufficiency
<b>\$25K</b>	<b>High School Scholarships:</b> Opens doors to private and parochial schools, allowing students to thrive in settings that meet their unique needs	<b>Harvesting Futures:</b> In partnership with After School Matters, equips Chicago teens with knowledge about food and the environment, inspiring healthy choices	<b>Case Management and Open Doors:</b> Offers personalized support, through one-on-one and small group circles, to guide clients toward self-sufficiency and personal goals
<b>\$10K</b>	<b>Student Meals:</b> Serves nourishing meals to students, creating a caring and supportive environment for student learning	<b>Community Cookouts/Cooking Demos:</b> Brings neighbors together to celebrate healthy food, strengthening community ties	<b>Outreach:</b> Reaches Chicago's most vulnerable individuals by bringing food and clothing to people experiencing street homelessness
<b>\$5K</b>	<b>Love of Reading:</b> Provides a library of classic and contemporary books, encouraging young readers and fostering connections between tutors and students	<b>Summer Farm Camp:</b> Engages elementary school students with families in the Cabrini row house in a positive camp experience	<b>Share Shop and Winter Wear:</b> Offers free and gently used clothing, promoting dignity, enhancing hygiene and reducing isolation for those in need
<b>\$2.5K</b>	<b>College Tours:</b> Ignites aspirations for higher education by investing in staff-supervised college visits	<b>Market Voucher Program:</b> Eliminates barriers to fresh produce by offering no cost purchase and delivery of fresh produce and products from other Midwest farms	<b>Chicago Furniture Bank:</b> Transforms empty spaces into welcoming homes by providing low income individuals gently used furniture

	\$50K	\$25K	\$10K	\$5K	\$2.5K
	PARTNER	HOPE	SAPPHIRE	DIAMOND	EMERALD
Tickets to live event	20 TICKETS (2 TABLES)	10 TICKETS (1 TABLE)	10 TICKETS (1 TABLE)	10 TICKETS (1 TABLE)	4 TICKETS
Logo or name recognition in all printed and digital communications	●	●	●		
Verbal recognition during live event and in our event video	●	●	●		
Recognition on event website	●	●	●	●	●
Recognition in 2025 Chicago Lights Annual Report	●	●	●	●	●





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### Sponsorship Commitment Form

Commitments must be received by Monday, December 2, 2024, to be featured on the printed invitation and Friday, February 7, 2025, to be featured in event-day marketing materials.

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

Name or company (exactly as it should appear in print):

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Address:

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

#### SPONSORSHIP

Yes! I/We would like to be a 2025 Gala of Hope Sponsor at the following level:

☐ Partner \$50,000

☐ Diamond \$5,000

☐ Hope \$25,000

☐ Emerald \$2,500

☐ Sapphire \$10,000

☐ Contribution Only. I/We are unable to attend and have enclosed a gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#### METHOD OF PAYMENT

☐ Enclosed is a check made payable to Chicago Lights (Tax ID: 36-3786331)

☐ Please invoice me

☐ Please charge the following credit card:

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