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CLEAR CHANNEL CHICAGO GATHERS PROMINENT GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY LEADERS AT THE SECOND ANNUAL CLEAR CHANNEL COMMUNITIES BREAKFAST

MEDIA COMPANY NEARLY TRIPLES COMMUNITY SUPPORT WITH THE INTRODUCTION OF 20 NEW PARTNERS

CHICAGO, IL. July 18, 2013 – Clear Channel Media and Entertainment Chicago, one of the largest Chicago radio broadcasters with close to 5 million weekly radio listeners, hosted its annual community breakfast yesterday morning in downtown Chicago bringing together over 200 local leaders, partners, nonprofit organizations and prominent government officials including The Honorable Rahm Emanuel, Mayor, City of Chicago; Garry McCarthy, Superintendent, Chicago Police Department; Robyn Wheeler Grange, District Director for the Office of U.S. Representative Bobby L. Rush; and Cherita Logan, District Director for the Office of U.S. Representative Danny K. Davis in show of support for Clear Channel Chicago’s continued commitment to the local community.

The event, hosted by on-air radio personalities, Nina Chantele and Doug Banks, marked the second annual breakfast organized by Clear Channel Chicago with the intent to explore the impact that *Clear Channel Communities*, the community engagement division of the company, has made through its 2012 Chicago-based community programs and also set the path for the remainder of 2013. In 2012, Clear Channel Chicago donated significant on air and digital airtime across its cluster of seven stations [107.5 WGCI-FM, 103.5 KISS-FM, V103, Inspiration 1390 AM, 95.5 El Patrón, 97.5 ESPN Deportes and 93.9 My FM] to local organizations including La Rabida Children’s Hospital; Rainbow PUSH Coalition; Alliance for Lupus Research; National Museum of Mexican Art; American Red Cross of Greater Chicago; Lone Survivor Foundation; and UNCF Chicago.

“Community involvement is a longstanding tradition within the radio industry, and at Clear Channel it is one that we take seriously as individuals and as a collective group,” said Earl Jones, Market President of Clear Channel Media and Entertainment Chicago. “We are continually impressed by the passion and commitment of all of our local partners that dedicate their careers to improve the lives of Chicago residents and we are privileged to have the opportunity to collaborate with each of them.”

In 2012 Clear Channel adopted a streamlined application and interview process for nonprofits interested in receiving in-kind media that allows for more collaborative partnerships and equal consideration for Chicago organizations. Additionally, Clear Channel Chicago relies on its Local Advisory Board, a group of 31 Clear Channel executives and leaders in the local community, government and education system who come together to discuss and explore solutions around critical issues facing the Chicago community to help guide their support.

Attendees heard from multiple members of Clear Channel's Local Advisory Board yesterday morning that have developed various community programs in conjunction with Clear Channel and support a range of issues like education, voter registration, health awareness, volunteerism, women's issues and leadership.

"Creating social change starts by understanding the problems and challenges in our city," said Karen Volkman, Ad Council Managing Director, Midwestern Region. "Clear Channel Chicago launched its' advisory board with the specific mission to harness the insights, expertise and knowledge of Chicago leaders from community, government, education and business."

Clear Channel Chicago's 2013 partners, which were chosen through the streamlined application process and will run from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, include: Latino Policy Forum, Rainbow PUSH Coalition, The Chicago Urban League, Access Community Health Network, AIDS Foundation of Chicago, The Alliance for Lupus Research, Turning Pointe Autism Foundation, After School Matters, Better Love Yourself, City Year Chicago, The DuSable Museum, 100 Black Men of Chicago, UNCF Chicago, John G. Shedd Aquarium, A Safe Haven Foundation, Greater Chicago Food Depository, KLEO Community Family Life Center, Metropolitan Family Services, North Lawndale Employment Network (NLEN) and The Salvation Army. Each organization will receive one month of media exposure.

"Thank you Clear Channel for partnering with many of the same organizations that the city partners with – all of which bring together and make up the Chicago community," said The Honorable Rahm Emanuel, Mayor, City of Chicago.

To learn more about Clear Channel's community efforts please visit www.clearchannel.com/Philanthropy or download the company-wide impact report found [here](#).