



Communities
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Chicago

The Al. G. Ward Spirit of Giving Award: An Historical Perspective

Each year, Communities In Schools (CIS) of Chicago recognizes an individual (or, occasionally, a group of people) from one of our school or community partners who has: consistently gone beyond expectations to positively impact CPS students through a commitment to creative partnership; and has carried out this work largely under the radar, doing it day in and day out simply because it's the right thing to do.

The Spirit of Giving Award honors Alfred G. Ward, a founding board director who spent 15 years enriching our organization.

Al was important in shaping both the CIS national movement and the vision of CIS of Chicago. His commitment to children, family and community was deep and flowed from a profound respect for the value and worth of all people.

The Al G. Ward Spirit of Giving Award Winners

2016Martha Williams, Crown Elementary School
2015HEART
2014Dr. Patricia McCann, Principal, Mays Elementary School
2013Writers' Theatre
2012*No award presented*
2011Dorrie Imperiale, Graham Elementary school
2010Imagination Theater
2009Lisa Maggiore, Social Worker, Marquette Elementary School
2008Sherron Bibbie, Assistant Principal, Westcott Elementary School
2007Loyola Pediatric Mobile Health Team
2006Sue Garza, Parent Advocate, Addams Elementary School
2005The Gift of Sight Foundation
2004Earline Hines, Kinship Connection