

## MAXIMUS Charitable Foundation Grantees - 2009

[Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program \(BHCHP\)](#) – **Boston, Massachusetts** – BHCHP is the face of health care for Boston's homeless individuals and families. The program makes care easily accessible by locating clinics in homeless shelters and soup kitchens as well as in 2 hospital-based clinics located on the campuses of Massachusetts General Hospital and Boston Medical Center. BHCHP provides continuity of health services from the streets and shelters through emergency departments, hospitals and follow-up care.

[Casa Central](#) – **Chicago area, Illinois** – The focus of this non-profit organization is to create a positive impact on the lives of Hispanic families in Chicago area. Its network of social services propels a diverse population of all ages toward self-sufficiency and a higher quality of life. Every year, it reaches over 20,000 individuals and helps Hispanic families overcome barriers and gives them the opportunity to make positive contributions to both their families and their communities.

[Child Advocates, Inc.](#) – **Houston, Texas** – The program makes a difference in the lives of most disadvantaged and neglected children. The organization trains volunteers who are later assigned to the cases of children who have been victims of life-threatening abuse or neglect and, as a result, have been placed in protective custody. The volunteers contact caseworkers, interview parents, ensure necessary medical care, look out for educational interests and make recommendations in court regarding the permanent placement of the child.

[Children's AIDS Fund](#) – **Uganda** – The Fund aims to assist children of HIV positive parents with school uniforms, supplies, computer training, and life skills instruction and after school activities. The fund also has several clinics through which it offers free treatment and care to HIV/AIDS patients.

[El Valor Corporation](#) – **Pilsen, Little Village and South Chicago Communities, Illinois** – The non-profit community-based organization provides educational and musical activities for at risk Hispanic youth. El Valor sponsors courses that show day care home providers how to establish their home as an environment conducive to high quality care in the education of young children. The organization provides training on starting a child care business, record keeping, and importance of nutrition and health and best practices in child care. Through another advanced education community-based programs, El Valor gives opportunities to working individuals who would otherwise be unable to pursue advanced education.

[Fairfax Area Christian Emergency & Transitional Services Inc. \(FACETS\)](#) – **Fairfax County, Virginia** – Current programs consist of a variety of on-site educational and enrichment programs, as well as intensive case management

services, for low income families. The outreach and educational programs serve impoverished families living in three public housing communities in Fairfax.

[Friends of Fort DuPont Ice Arena, Inc.](#) – **Southeast Washington, D.C.** – The community ice skating program offers low-income children, ages 5 to 18 years old, free lessons with all equipment provided. The program serves over 10,000 children annually. Now in its thirteenth year, the program has grown to include learn to skate, advanced figure skating, ice hockey, speed skating, and Schools and Camps Skate for Fitness.

[Great Washington Educational Telecommunications Association, Inc \(WETA\)](#) – **Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Area** – Through its Kids channel and its Sesame Street and Between the Lions programs, WETA provides opportunities to children to achieve early literacy milestones. These programs are based on scientifically developed curricula designed to help children with high-risk factors, such as low socio-economic status or limited proficiency in English

[Hyde Square Task Force](#) – **Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts** – The organization serves hundreds of youth and their families with a variety of after-school, leadership, civic engagement, parent engagement, cultural/arts, mentoring, tutoring, youth workforce development, college preparatory, and recreation programs. This program collaborates with local community health centers to provide internships for at-risk youth interested in careers in the health care industry.

[Iowa Homeless Youth Centers \(IHYC\)](#) – **Des Moines, Iowa** – Through its Transitional Living Programs, IHYC provides homeless youth with a safe secure home where they learn to become independent and self-sufficient by obtaining an education, developing employment skills, and learning the keys to successful parenting. Participants of the IHYC programs are runaways and homeless youth that have exhausted family, friends and other community resources.

[Jobs for America's Graduates – DC \(JAG-DC\)](#) – **Hart Middle School, Washington, D.C.** – Operating in partnership with DC Public Schools, JAG-DC works on a dropout prevention and school-to-career and college transition system for at-risk and disadvantaged middle and senior high school youth. JAG model programs support, train, educate and empower youth who are at risk of not graduating from high school and making successful transition to employment or postsecondary education.

[KEEN Greater D.C.](#) – **Greater Washington, D.C.** – The organization provides opportunities for children with any type of disabilities to participate fully in exercise and recreational activities in the community at no charge to their families. The program pairs a trained volunteer with a child and let them discover

together how much they can do. Programs are all open and unstructured, allowing children facing significant challenges to have fun and be successful.

[KidWorks](#) – Santa Ana, California – Through five of its programs this organization transforms challenged neighborhoods within central Santa Ana by building on the strengths and potential in the community through education, character formation and personal development. Additionally, through several key partnerships with medical service and healthcare providers, KidWorks helps disadvantaged families access preventative healthcare and health insurance.

[Midtown Educational Foundation \(MEF\)](#) – Chicago, Illinois – MEF programs support minority students who live in Chicago’s inner city neighborhoods. MEF operates the Midtown Center for boys and the Metro Achievement Center for girls, and it helps youngsters to become better students and better people through after-school and summertime programs that integrate academics with virtues.

[Military Spouse Corporate Career Network \(MSCCN\)](#) – United States – This military employment program is created by a military spouse and operated by military-affiliated MSCCN team members. The MSCCN is dedicated to providing career opportunities and job portability for military spouses through a nationwide network of employers.

[Monarch School Project](#) – San Diego, California – The project provides an accredited education to homeless and at-risk kids while caring for basic needs such as health care, food, clothing and personal hygiene. The after-school program provides a number of different camp experiences focused on Model UN, Youth in Government, film, poetry, tennis, dance, photography, art, physical education, surfing, martial arts, sailing and business. The school’s residential program for low-income singles helps its graduates gain independence in their years after graduation.

[Northwest Burn Foundation](#) – Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, and Alaska – The program supports youth who are often physically challenged due to their burn injuries and/or who are coping with the emotional and social challenges that accompany a burn injury. The foundation offers young burn survivors (between 7-17-years of age) the opportunity to attend a week of camp free of charge, including transportation. The camp gives campers an opportunity to experience a week to “just be me” without worrying about unwelcomed stares or questions that they may often need to contend within their schools and communities.

[Santa Cruz Community Counseling Center](#) – Santa Cruz, California – The center serves over 6,000 individuals a year who are challenged by loss, poverty, and stigma associated with diagnosis of mental illness or experience as a foster

youth. The program helps people build healthy change in their lives and community through support and guidance it provides to young people and families faced with difficulties related to school, family conflicts, substance use, homelessness, emotional turmoil, running away and juvenile justice involvement.

[Society for the Blind](#) – **Sacramento, California** – Society for the Blind serves thousands of blind and visually impaired people throughout the Sacramento area and surrounding counties. The center trains blind and low vision people on Braille, life skills, computers and job skills.

[Teen Voices](#) – **Boston, Massachusetts** – Teen Voices works directly with up to 100 high-risk, inner-city girls in and around Boston each year. The program helps teen girls to voice their views through teen-girl generated workshops, forums, conferences and media. This magazine has a national readership of 75,000.

[Temple University Community Collaborative of Philadelphia \(UCCP\)](#) – **Philadelphia, Pennsylvania** – The program prepares youth and young adults to become confident, effective leaders and collaborates with organizations to create cultures that value and integrate the contributions of youth. The program is designed to develop the critical thinking and leadership skills of youth so that they can become agents of social change in their communities and beyond.

[The South Lakes Seahawks CAN! \(College Access Now\)](#) – **Reston, Virginia** – CAN! provides support to high school students from low income families. Through mini grants and bus trips to college campuses, the program gives the students an opportunity to visit college campuses, and defray expenses associated with college preparation and the application process.

[United Cerebral Palsy \(UCP\) of Greater Cleveland](#) – **Cleveland, Ohio** – The UCP provides an environment where people with disabilities and aging conditions – such as cerebral palsy, Parkinson's, spinal bifida, spinal cord injury, stroke, Alzheimer's disease – can receive individualized programs and support services. The Adult Day Services Program serves a diverse population of individuals 18+ who have disabilities and/or aging conditions. The program encourages participants to remain active and maintain their level of independence. The Art Bridge Studio gives participants a chance to work creatively through painting, woodworking and ceramics.

[Vanguard Services Unlimited](#) – **Arlington, Virginia** – Vanguard offers home, help and healing to people struggling with addictions. Since its founding, it has helped more than 30,000 men, women and teens overcome their substance abuse problems, rejoin their families and lead productive, fulfilling lives. On any given day, more than 250 adolescents and adults are enrolled in its outpatient and residential treatment programs. In addition, Vanguard is engaged in drug

and alcohol education and prevention programs, reaching hundreds of additional families and youth.

[Voices for Children Foundation Inc.](#) – **Miami Florida** – The foundation serves abused, neglected and abandoned children. It stands for preservation of the child's physical safety and emotional well-being, permanent placement in a nurturing home environment that will foster the child's healthy growth, development and education, and protection from further harm by virtue of the child's involvement in the legal or child welfare system.

[Youth Guidance](#) – **Chicago, Illinois** – The organization empowers most under-served children to succeed in school and in life through a variety of programs and services designed to nurture academic, social and emotional growth. It serves over 14,000 children annually with locations at 50 Chicago public elementary and high schools. These schools assist students and their families to overcome the challenges associated with inner-city life by providing immediate access to academic support and life skills

[Youth Service League, Inc.](#) – **New York Area** – The program encourages low income area youth to participate in wholesome activities that would foster positive development. Through sports, it helps to reach and help children to become responsible individuals. It also helps them educationally, makes learning a positive experience and greatly improves the overall growth process.