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Northbrook Chamber of Commerce Contributes $5,000 Per Year Over Three Years to the North Suburban YMCA

Northbrook, Illinois: April 2012 – The Northbrook Chamber of Commerce announced yesterday that it will donate $5,000 per year of its fundraising proceeds to the North Suburban YMCA over the next three years. The funding will help support the Y’s financial assistance program for Northbrook families with children attending the Y Kindergarten Club and Y-Time After School programs, and is a part of the $490,000 the NSYMCA gives annually.

The need for support has never been greater: currently, one out of five individuals using the North Suburban YMCA receives some level of financial assistance, which helps families access childcare, summer camp, membership, special needs, wellness, and all other programs offered by the Y.

"One of the biggest hardships in families today is finding quality, affordable childcare. These funds provided by the Chamber will give working parents the reassurance that their kids are safe and well cared for," said Steve Lewis, Northbrook Chamber Board Chair.

The Y reaches out to children and families to provide opportunities they might not otherwise have. According to Executive Director/CEO Howard Schultz, “We are honored to receive this funding from the Northbrook Chamber of Commerce. One of our Y’s core values is its commitment to making programs accessible to everyone in the community, including those who face financial hardships."

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About the North Suburban YMCA

The YMCA is a not-for-profit entity and relies on donations to fund capital improvements and transform the facility. All board members are community volunteers, who donate their time, talents and financial resources. Located at 2705 Techny Road in Northbrook, the YMCA has served area families in its twelve-city region for over 40 years. The Y is about youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility, providing programs and services that meet the needs of our community and are accessible to all. For more information or to make a donation, call Tara Bilby at 847-272-7250, tblby@nsymca.org, or visit www.nsymca.org.

The Northbrook Chamber of Commerce will donate $5,000 per year of its fundraising proceeds to the North Suburban YMCA over the next three years. Shown here (from left) YMCA Executive Director/CEO Howard Schultz; Northbrook Chamber Treasurer John Martin; Northbrook Chamber Board Chair Steven Lewis; and YMCA Board President Matt Brennan.

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