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Lawrence Hall Raises Over \$200,000 at Sold Out 150th Anniversary Gala

*CEO Kara Teeple thanks generous donors and sponsors, outlines exciting future
and brand for Lawrence Hall*

CHICAGO, IL – Chicago’s oldest social services agency Lawrence Hall recently celebrated its 150th Anniversary of serving communities and children with a sold out Gala held on Saturday, September 26, at The Harold Washington Library at 401 S. Plymouth Ct. As a result, \$200,000 was raised through the night’s sponsorships and events to benefit Lawrence Hall’s programs.

Since 1865, Lawrence Hall has been delivering quality care to children and their families throughout the metropolitan Chicago area, many of whom have experienced significant traumas in their lives. Lawrence Hall currently cares for nearly 1,000 children and families each year in Illinois, equipping them with the tools and skills they need to set them on the path toward becoming proud, productive participants in society.

The sold out event had over 400 guests, with Anthony Ponce of NBC 5 Chicago serving as the evening’s emcee. Lifelong Lawrence Hall Trustee Charles W. Sample was given the Champion for Children Award for his tireless dedication and support to Lawrence Hall and its mission.

Lawrence Hall Board President Dan Boszhardt talked about the agency’s rich history and CEO, Kara Teeple spoke of the exciting future. The evening marked the unveiling of the organization’s new branding which includes a new logo and removing "Youth Services" from their name.

“Our services have grown to extend support to families and communities so our reach goes beyond just servicing youth. We are thrilled to start a new chapter as we grow additional community-based programming,” said Teeple.

This year’s Gala was sponsored by The Meeker Magner Company, Charles & Jana Sample, The Lock Up LLC, Mark & Kathy McCareins, John & Julia Graham, Steven & Kathleen Groot, Jayne & Dan Coyne, Bronson & Michelé Hall, The AON Corporation, Hub International, ASGK Public Strategies,

Perkins Coie, Kelley Kronenberg Attorneys at Law, Philadelphia Insurance Companies & BlueCross BlueShield of Illinois. Beverages were donated by Stricklin & Associates (Wirtz Beverage Illinois, DFV Wine, Illinois Sparkling Co., Revolution Brewery) and The Coca Cola Company.

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(From left: Charles W. Sample, Jana Sample, Jana Wilke & Charles Sample Jr.)



(From left: Liz Nicholson, Anthony Ponce & Jayne Coyne)

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