



**YOU** hold the key  
to unlocking a  
child's potential

I am pleased to join the **Circle of Champions** at the level indicated below:

- PERSEVERANCE** (\$20,000 and above)
- COURAGE** (\$10,000 to \$19,999)
- LOYALTY** (\$5,000 to \$9,999)
- INTEGRITY** (\$2,500 to \$4,999)
- HOPE** (\$1,000 to \$2,499)

*MEF will invite renewal on the anniversary of your gift.*

If you wish to donate online, please visit [midtown.org/champions](http://midtown.org/champions).

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred method of contact:

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE CHOOSE ONE:

- My check made payable to Midtown Educational Foundation is enclosed.
- Please charge my \_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_ Mastercard \_\_\_ Discover
- I pledge to contribute \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month. Please contact me about automatic bank withdrawals. (A monthly automatic recurring gift of \$84 or more merits Circle membership.)

NAME (AS IT APPEARS ON CREDIT CARD; PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY) \_\_\_\_\_

CREDIT CARD NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

EXPIRATION DATE \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT \_\_\_\_\_

Please return your enrollment form to the address below



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# Become a Champion to Chicago's Urban Youth

## GIVE A GIFT OF HOPE

Every child needs a strong circle of support to grow in character and confidence. That's especially true for children from low-income families living in troubled Chicago neighborhoods. You can help!

The **Circle of Champions**, MEF's leadership annual giving club, helps urban youth overcome tough circumstances and succeed in life. Gifts to the Circle support MEF's after-school and summertime enrichment programs. Staff and volunteers at the Midtown Center for boys and Metro Achievement Center for girls work to strengthen students in character and instill in them the desire to excel academically and to serve others.

But they can't do it alone. Members of the Circle of Champions demonstrate a shared concern for the future of Chicago's urban youth by "championing" a common cause: closing the achievement gap and instilling hope for a brighter future. To learn more about MEF's mission and vision, visit [www.midtown-metro.org](http://www.midtown-metro.org).

## BECOME A CHAMPION TODAY

Membership in the Circle entails an annual, unrestricted gift of \$1,000 or more, above and beyond giving to MEF special events. All Circle gifts are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

Circle membership levels reflect virtues taught every day at Midtown and Metro:

### THE PERSEVERANCE LEVEL (\$20,000 and above)

Students at Midtown and Metro are encouraged to persevere against all odds in overcoming obstacles. Your gift at this level helps strengthen them for the task.

### THE COURAGE LEVEL (\$10,000 to \$19,999)

MEF students and their families exhibit the virtue of courage every day. This level reflects their courage and provides support to sustain it.

### THE LOYALTY LEVEL (\$5,000 to \$9,999)

Your loyalty to Chicago's urban youth through MEF helps inspire students to transform their lives, families, and communities for the good.

## THE INTEGRITY LEVEL (\$2,500 to \$4,999)

At Midtown and Metro, kids are inspired to be better students and better people. They grow in integrity and spread it to others.

## THE HOPE LEVEL (\$1,000 to \$2,499)

Given the right tools and guidance, Chicago kids from low-income families can succeed in school, work and life. Your gift at this level demonstrates your hope in children from underserved communities.

### Circle Benefits are as follows:

A special, one-time gift at the time of your Circle commitment, a private tour of MEF programs, recognition in print (unless anonymity is requested), and the immense satisfaction of helping at-risk students reach their full potential.

For more information about the **Circle of Champions**, please call or e-mail Louis Artiaga at (312) 738-8300, ext. 27 or [lartiaga@midtown-metro.org](mailto:lartiaga@midtown-metro.org).

**Thank you for helping unlock a child's potential!**