



Chicago's Premier Investable Ideas Event  
Supporting Chicago Youth

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ANNIVERSARY

*IFK 2023 Conference & Sponsorship Opportunities*



Dear IFK Friends and Family,

**As we celebrate our 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary, we have set an ambitious target to raise \$2 million to support our mission.** Each year, Invest For Kids receives approximately 100 grant applications, and the generous contributions from our community allow us to fund seven outstanding beneficiaries. **Many more organizations meet our rigorous bar than we can fund, though, and meeting our goal would allow us to increase our impact by making ten grants this year.**

The investment community has supported the nonprofit sector through good times and bad. As organizations and the young people and families they serve continue to navigate the impacts of the pandemic and economic slowdown, we believe it is our responsibility to step up our support.

**We will continue to pay 100% of Invest For Kids' operational expenses, allowing all conference proceeds and donations to go directly to our mission.** We are grateful for the support we've received from the investment community over the past fifteen years, and look forward to the next fifteen years of supporting young people in Chicago together.

*With Gratitude,*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ron".

Ron Levin  
Co-Founder

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ben".

Ben Kovler  
Co-Founder

# ABOUT US

## OUR MISSION

Invest For Kids (IFK) is dedicated to supporting nonprofit organizations that serve Chicago-area youth from disadvantaged communities. We host an annual investment conference where industry professionals share their market views and best ideas. Since 2009, IFK has raised more than \$20 million to benefit over 85 organizations, focused on education, mentoring, career development, and social services in Chicago.

## INITIATIVES AND EVENTS

### Invest For Kids Conference

15<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference | October 24, 2023 | Harris Theater  
Chicago's Premier Investable Ideas Event

### Women's Initiative and Event

This annual event brings together female leaders in the investment industry.

### John L. Keeley, Jr. Student Initiative

IFK invites 100+ students from leading universities to attend our conference free of charge through generous donor sponsorships.

### Emerge: Summer Career and Leadership Program

In partnership with Chicago Scholars, Emerge is a paid summer internship and leadership development program that pairs college students from under-resourced communities with Chicago businesses.

### DePaul University Summer Program

IFK is the lead sponsor of DePaul University's Summer Investment Challenge, an intensive 4-day summer program free of charge for Chicago high school students who are interested in learning about stock markets and careers in finance.

## BY THE NUMBERS

**675**  
organizations  
reviewed

**85+**  
organizations  
supported

**120**  
investment  
speakers

**\$20M**  
raised  
since 2009

**100%**  
of dollars  
donated

**\$200,000**  
average grant  
amount



“ Receiving a gift from IFK changed our fundraising landscape. ”

Chicago Math and Science Academy - 2019 Grant Recipient



# OUR IMPACT

Since 2009, Invest For Kids has supported over 85 organizations. We target smaller organizations where we believe our contributions will have the greatest impact. With an average grant of \$200,000 per recipient, IFK gifts play a significant role in helping the most promising organizations achieve their goals.

Our donation is often the largest single gift these nonprofits have received, and in many cases, has served to further endorse the programs, enabling them to attract additional large donors.

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**2023 GRANT RECIPIENTS  
WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN AUGUST**



## 2022 GRANT RECIPIENTS



**VIEW PAST RECIPIENTS  
(2009-2021)**

# OUR CONFERENCE

For the past 14 years, Invest For Kids has been Chicago's flagship investment conference. The conference typically attracts over 1,000 guests. Our audience includes portfolio managers, investment advisors, analysts, family offices, and private investors. Our speakers represent some of the most well-known and successful investors in the world and share their best investment ideas with our audience, as well as their perspectives on macro-economic, political, and investment themes.

The co-founders of IFK underwrite all conference expenses so that 100% of the funds raised go directly to support children from under-resourced communities in the Chicago area. In the past 14 years, we have raised and donated over \$20 million to over 85 organizations.



**VIEW PAST SPEAKERS**  
(2009-2022)



# BECOME A SPONSOR

We invite you to support Invest For Kids as an Annual Sponsor. You will receive many benefits, including brand recognition at our Annual Conference, as well as other forms of acknowledgement and opportunities throughout the year, depending on your giving level.

Most importantly, with your support, high performing nonprofit organizations will receive the critical funding they need to provide programs and services to Chicago-area youth, their families, and their communities.

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**To discuss 2023 Sponsorship Opportunities**  
**Contact: [alyssa@ifkchicago.com](mailto:alyssa@ifkchicago.com)**

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# BECOME A SPONSOR

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES	Presenting Partner \$100k	Visionary Partner \$50k	Leadership Circle \$25k	Student Sponsorship \$25k	15th Anniversary Circle \$15k	Investor Circle \$10k	Impact Supporter \$5k
ANNUAL CONFERENCE							
Annual Conference Tickets	100	50	30		20	12	6
Student Sponsorship Tickets				25			
Tiered brand recognition at annual conference	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Tiered brand recognition year-round ( <i>print + digital</i> )	●	●	●	●	●	●	
15 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Recognition	●	●	●	●	●		
Invitation to special events year round	●	●	●	●			
<p><i>*Invest For Kids also hosts an annual women's event with separate sponsorship opportunities.</i></p> <p><b>For more information on sponsorship opportunities, contact <a href="mailto:alyssa@ifkchicago.com">alyssa@ifkchicago.com</a></b></p>							

# 2022 SPONSORS

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# OUR TEAM

## IFK Leadership

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**Ben Kovler**

Co-Founder, Invest For Kids

**Ron Levin**

Co-Founder, Invest For Kids

**Kelly Jones**

Executive Director, Invest For Kids

**Barbara Wolf**

Director of Giving, Invest For Kids

**Alyssa Holland**

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**Andrea Dawkins**

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**Brian T. Burke**

Kovler Family Office

**Gina Rosanova**

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**SAVE THE DATE | 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference | October 24, 2023 | Harris Theater | 1:00PM | [investforkidschicago.org](http://investforkidschicago.org)**