DePaul joins Chicago affordable housing coalition

The Real Estate Center at DePaul University has joined a coalition of Chicago-area businesses, governmental agencies and nonprofit organizations with the goal of saving affordable rental housing for low- and middle-income families.

A $3.5 million gift from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, announced in May, will support the center's involvement.

“DePaul’s mission calls for the university to put its intellectual might behind improving the Chicago community, and I can’t think of a better way for the center to advance this mission than by joining this worthy effort,” says Susanne Cannon, the center’s Douglas and Cynthia Crocker Endowed Director. “As a leading provider of real estate education and research in the Midwest, we look forward to applying our expertise toward achieving this goal.”

Through the Preservation Compact, a package of six key initiatives created by the Urban Land Institute, a coalition partner, the joint effort seeks to preserve and improve 75,000 existing rental units in Cook County that are otherwise at risk of being lost by 2020.

The Real Estate Center will participate in two of the initiatives—creating a rental housing data clearinghouse to monitor and provide early warnings about rental housing losses, and managing an interagency council to coordinate governmental agencies involved with the preservation effort.

“This is the beginning of what, if done properly, will be replicated throughout the country by cities that need to deal with this growing problem,” says Richard Hanson, a principal at real estate firm Mesa Development, member of the Preservation Compact leadership council, and former trustee of DePaul. “The choice of DePaul as provider of the expertise to solve such a global issue validates the Real Estate Center’s work.”
Scholarship luncheon thanks donors, recognizes students

Scholarship donors and recipients were recognized at DePaul’s University-wide Scholarship Luncheon held April 11 at the University Club of Chicago. More than 1,200 need- and merit-based scholarships, valued at more than $2.5 million, are offered to students annually thanks in part to the generosity of DePaul’s donors. Continuing to raise funds to support student scholarships is an ongoing university priority.

During his luncheon remarks, Jim Czech (COM ’61), sponsor of the James L. Czech Endowed Scholarship and DePaul University trustee, recounted that ever since he was young, he wanted to make a difference in the lives of others. Thanks in part to the education he received at DePaul, Czech and his wife, Diane, now have the resources to do so.

Their scholarship supports students in the College of Commerce. “Our greatest reward…is that we can positively influence [students’] lives going forward by helping them obtain a DePaul education,” says Czech.

Waltrina Middleton, 2006–2007 Vincent de Paul Ministry of Service Scholarship recipient and student in DePaul’s Public Services Management master’s program, began her remarks by singing of the “God-given miracle” inside her that motivates her to help others. Middleton enrolled at DePaul to learn how to effectively manage Walk on Water Ministry, a non-profit organization she launched in 2003 to help women and children achieve their dreams through spiritual renewal and higher education.

“The Vincent de Paul Ministry of Service Scholarship has in many respects allowed me to [embrace the miracle God has created in me] with vigor and enthusiasm,” says Middleton. “Because with its support, I have been able to come within arm’s reach of achieving my Master of Science degree.”

The Rev. Dennis H. Holtschneider, C.M., president of DePaul University, expressed his gratitude toward scholarship donors: “Not only have you given [students] the opportunity to continue to pursue their educational goals, but you have also provided them with an exemplary model of service in action, which is at the heart of our mission.”

Scholarship donor Richard J. Meister and Liza Anaso Olang (MA ’07), recipient of the Richard J. and Joan M. Meister Endowed Scholarship Fund for Community-based Service Learning, at the University-wide Scholarship Luncheon.

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DePaul University’s Center for Justice in Capital Cases (CJCC) has stepped up its Race to Execution Outreach Campaign to educate and stimulate public debate about race and the death penalty in the United States. With the support of a $150,000 gift from the Ford Foundation, the campaign will organize a symposium, as well as produce and distribute multimedia pieces and teaching modules of “Race to Execution,” a 53-minute documentary about systemic racial bias in capital cases nationwide.

The outreach campaign is a first for the center, which serves as a national resource for capital defense attorneys. Since its fall 2006 launch, the outreach campaign has achieved national visibility with well-attended documentary screenings nationwide and a March PBS airing seen by more than a million viewers.

“There are plenty of documentaries about the death penalty and they often will mention that race is an issue, but this is the only one ever made about race and the death penalty,” explains Andrea Lyon, CJCC director and clinical associate professor of law at DePaul. “We hope that the campaign will start an intelligent conversation with policymakers and get them to think about the issue in a new way.”

The outreach campaign is led by Andrea Lyon and her sister, filmmaker Rachel Lyon.

FAST FACT

Funds raised to date for the School of Music’s Campaign for Scholarship Endowment, exceeding its $1 million goal. More than 70 percent of DePaul’s music students receive some form of financial assistance.

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Accountancy scholarship campaign raises $2.5 million

Donors, scholarship recipients and College of Commerce faculty members celebrated the successful conclusion of the Success Through Scholarship Educational Endowment Fund campaign at a festive dinner on April 17. The campaign exceeded its goal by raising more than $2.5 million for endowed scholarships for students studying to become CPAs.

Andrea Bossong (COM ’05), a 2004 scholarship recipient, recently received her CPA license. “I truly believe that I could not have done it without the opportunities that the School of Accountancy and Success Through Scholarship have given me,” says Bossong, a senior associate at Deloitte & Touche in Chicago. She credits the scholarship for helping her focus on her education and co-curricular activities.

More than 110 donors contributed to the campaign, which began in 2000 after three donors issued an initial challenge grant to the DePaul community (see below).

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The President’s Club Spring Reception, which recognizes annual fund donors of $2,500 or more, was held May 16 at A New Leaf, Chicago. Attendees, including Bill Carsley (LAS ’61, MA ’67, JD ’69) and Marianne Parrillo (pictured), chatted while listening to jazz music performed by DePaul students. The 1,300-member-and-growing President’s Club recognizes individuals whose generous annual gifts help sustain the university’s Vincentian mission.

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Success Through Scholarship supporters Robert Taylor and Stacia Taylor (COM ’76) with Andrea Cohen (COM ’08) (center), a 2006 Success Through Scholarship award recipient.
Ernie and Diane DeSalvo
The first college graduate in his family, Ernie DeSalvo (COM '62) juggled the demands of a family, full-time job and night classes to earn a DePaul degree. A successful sales career at the American Cyanamid Company quickly followed. Today, Ernie and his wife, Diane, are enthusiastic DePaul donors, volunteers and members of the Cortelyou Heritage Society, the university’s planned giving society. Ernie also chairs the Class of 1962 Reunion Committee. They are pictured with their good friend Anastasia Graven (MA '64) (left).

Why do you volunteer for DePaul?
Ernie: I strongly believe in the university and what it stands for. [Former DePaul President the Rev. John Cortelyou, C.M.] involved me initially. He had such enthusiasm for the university and wouldn’t take no for an answer. [Current President the Rev. Dennis H. Holtschneider, C.M.] brings the same energy and enthusiasm to DePaul. Now that it’s my 45th reunion, I relish the challenge of chairing my reunion committee.

Why did you include DePaul in your estate plans?
Ernie: It was an easy decision, especially when your wife agrees! Hopefully the funds that I pass on will be put to good use by a deserving student. DePaul helped me succeed in the corporate world and send our three children to Catholic universities, so I feel the need to give back.

You did not attend DePaul but still support the university. Why?
Diane: I see what a DePaul education enabled Ernie to do. DePaul is a wonderful place to receive an education and then hopefully go on to change some part of the world.

Faculty support the Campaign for Excellence in Science
More than 300 alumni, friends, faculty, staff and students celebrated the groundbreaking for DePaul’s new science facility, the Monsignor Andrew J. McGowan Science Building, June 6. As the centerpiece of the university’s ongoing $20 million Campaign for Excellence in Science, this facility will help DePaul provide cutting-edge science education to future generations of students, a fact that DePaul’s science faculty can appreciate.

Thomas J. Murphy, who served as a chemistry professor and chair of the Environmental Science Program in his 34 years at DePaul, says, “Since DePaul has few graduate programs in the sciences, undergraduates have a great opportunity to participate in research with the faculty. The new facility will better support the educational environment and help students and faculty be more productive.”

Murphy’s $125,000 campaign gift honors the opportunities DePaul provided him during his career. “Supporting the campaign is a way to give something back and to contribute to those coming after me,” says Murphy.

Robert C. Thommes, professor emeritus of biology, and Richard J. Meister, former executive vice president for academic affairs and professor emeritus of history, as well as donors throughout the DePaul community, have also made significant gifts to the Campaign for Excellence in Science.

Funds raised through the campaign will help DePaul build the new science facility, endow new science scholarships, and develop and enhance academic programs.

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- 23: College of Law Autumn Semester Classes Begin
- 31: Convocation
  DePaul’s faculty and academic leaders gather to mark the start of the new academic year

**September**
- 4: Opening Mass and Reception for the St. Louise de Marillac Chapel, Lincoln Park Student Center
- 5: University’s Autumn Quarter Classes Begin
- 8: School of Music Scholarship Endowment Campaign Celebration, Hosted by Dean Donald Casey at DePaul’s Concert Hall, Lincoln Park Campus
- 27: Alumni Reception in Seattle
- 28: Alumni Reception in San Francisco

**October**
- 18: Executive Forum in Phoenix
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