

# Philanthropy Awards Luncheon

## PAST AWARD RECIPIENTS

### Philanthropist of the Year

1985 Donald J. Hall  
1986 John B. Francis  
1987 William H. Dunn, Sr.  
1988 Marjorie Powell Allen  
1989 Henry W. Bloch  
1990 Ewing M. Kauffman  
1991 Clarence H. Goppert  
1992 Shirley & Stan Rose  
1993 Adele Hall  
1994 Herman Sutherland  
1995 Shirley & Barnett Helzberg  
1996 James P. Sunderland  
1997 R.R. Osborne  
1998 Rose S. Teicher  
1999 John J. Sullivan, Jr.  
2000 Virginia & James Stowers  
2001 Shirley Pryor  
2001 Fred Pryor  
2002 Elaine & Norman Polsky  
2003 Laura & Richard Cray  
2004 Jeannette Nichols  
2005 Senia & Will Shields  
2006 Bernadette & Richard W. Miller  
2007 Julia Irene Kauffman  
2008 Robert D. Regnier  
2009 The Ann & Gary Dickinson Family  
2010 Carolyn & Bob Reintjes  
2011 Mary & Alan Atterbury  
2012 Mary Davidson Cohen  
2013 Betty & Tom Scott  
2014 Benny Lee  
2015 Annette Bloch  
2016 Marlys & Michael Haverty  
2017 Dr. William A. & Mary Reed  
2018 John Isenberg, Tom Isenberg & Carol Barnett  
2019 Deanna & Greg Graves

### Business Philanthropist of the Year

1999 Sprint Foundation  
2000 JE Dunn Construction Company  
2001 Bernstein-Rein Advertising  
2002 Ford Motor Company  
2003 General Motors/United Auto Workers (UAW) Local 31  
2004 Applebee's  
2005 Right Management  
2006 Metcalf Bank  
2007 Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Kansas City  
2008 Commerce Bank  
2009 New Theatre Restaurant  
2010 KCP&L  
2011 Hallmark Cards, Inc.  
2012 Burns & McDonnell  
2013 McCownGordon Construction  
2014 KSHB-TV & KMCI-TV  
2015 Country Club Bank  
2016 Kansas City Chiefs  
2017 The Miller Group  
2018 H&R Block  
2019 CommunityAmerica Credit Union

### Volunteer of the Year

1996 Mary Shaw Branton  
1997 C. Stephen Metzler  
1998 Patty Garney  
1999 Marcia H. Bailey  
2000 Barbara Potts  
2001 Beverly Bodker  
2002 Judy Henry Hunt  
2003 Mary Kay McPhee  
2004 David Oliver  
2005 Pam & Gary Gradinger  
2006 Nancy & John Dillingham  
2007 Gayle Price Krigel  
2008 Rose Bryant  
2009 Anita B. Gorman  
2010 Ramón Murguía  
2011 Katie & Clyde Wendel  
2012 Maurice A. Watson  
2013 Gene Wilson  
2014 Jan Regan  
2015 Peggy Borkon  
2016 Peggy & Terry Dunn  
2017 Linda & Terry Ward  
2018 Kevin Connor  
2019 Joseph Jacobs III

### Nonprofit Professional of the Year

1985 T. Henry Stafford  
1986 W.L. "Tom" Tompkins  
1987 Maurice M. McNellis  
1988 Robert L. Campbell  
1989 Jane White Brown  
1990 John A. Shehane  
1991 Kenneth E. Smith  
1992 Jessie A. Fuller  
1993 Robert W. Buchanan  
1994 Sister Olive Louise Dallavis  
1995 Marie Whitmer  
1996 William J. French  
1997 Davoren Tempel  
1998 Jeffrey D. Byrne  
1999 Harold J. Schultz  
2000 Thad A. Henry  
2001 Mary Baker  
2002 David A. Smith  
2003 Daniel J. Bradbury  
2004 Paul Gemeinhardt  
2005 Sheridan Y. Wood  
2006 Myra Christopher  
2007 Brenda Sharpe  
2008 Sister Berta Sailer & Sister Corita Bussanmas  
2009 Barbara G. Head  
2009 Mark L. Litzler  
2010 Karen T. Haren  
2011 John W. Bluford III  
2012 David Warm  
2013 Hilda Fuentes  
2014 Jane Chu  
2015 George Guastello  
2016 Wayne Sims  
2017 Frank Byrne  
2018 Jeffrey Bentley  
2019 Randy Wisthoff

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### Emerging Philanthropist of the Year

- 2016 Jennifer Matney
- 2017 Jessica Best & Brian Stewart
- 2018 Randy & Cheryl Reinhardt
- 2019 Darren Prenger

### Emerging Nonprofit Professional of the Year

- 2016 Deborah Wiebrecht
- 2017 Sarah Reape
- 2018 Jeremy Lillig
- 2019 Gillian Helm

### Emerging Volunteer of the Year

- 2016 Rachel Hack Merlo
- 2017 Jake Jacobson
- 2018 Nicole Jacobs-Silvey
- 2019 Chris Rosburg

### Excellence in Collaboration Award

- 2016 Rainbow Services, Inc. & Kansas City, Kansas Police Department
- 2017 Artists Helping the Homeless & Saint Luke's Hospital
- 2018 Women's Foundation & City of Kansas City, Missouri
- 2019 Giving the Basics with KCMO Police Department and KCMO School District

### Excellence in Impact Award

- 2016 Community Services League
- 2017 Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City
- 2018 United Way 2-1-1 of Greater Kansas City
- 2019 Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Kansas City

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### Rising Stars 2009

Kate Ferrell Banks  
Jamie Montgomery Helzberg  
Chris Mounts  
Dan Nilsen  
Jeanette Prenger  
Gwyn Prentice  
Ryan Reid  
Kimberlee Ried  
Abby & Alex Wendel  
Jean-Paul Wong

### Rising Stars 2010

Bruce Allen  
Erika Dickey  
Christina Eldridge  
Wesley Fields  
Kevin Gabriel  
Trudy Kopf Gabriel  
Bill Gautreaux  
Laura & David Hall  
Jenny Murphy  
Luke Norris  
Ken Sonnenschein, MD

### Rising Stars 2011

Jamie Berg  
Lisa Hallier  
Sheri Johnson  
Erin Mos  
Kathy Schikevitz  
Laura Curry Sloan  
Rob Smith  
Mary Wetzel  
Richard Wetzel

### Rising Stars 2012

Katie Dunn Fitzgerald & Matt Fitzgerald  
Colby Jones  
Amy McAnarney  
Mark Moberly  
Casey Simmons & S. Sloane Simmons  
Ursula Terrasi  
Dan Walsh  
Teal Williams

### Rising Stars 2013

Laura Eickman, Psy.D.  
Katie Hall  
Hayley E. Hanson  
Deliece & Brian Hofen  
Jennifer Ingraham  
Tim McCoy  
Courtney Thomas  
Hunter Wolbach

### Rising Stars 2014

Jenny Erdman  
Brandon Fancher  
Courtney Goddard  
Rebecca Hierholzer  
Betsy Lynch  
Lauren McCarthy  
Dawn Taylor  
Luke Wade

### Rising Stars 2015

Matthew Clark  
Tom Dowling  
Sheri Gormley  
Tom Houlehan  
Dean Newton  
Kelly & Steve Stewman  
Courtney Wachal

### Special Lifetime Achievement

2004 David P. Ross  
2019 David Renz, Ph.D.

### Nonprofit Impact Award

2012 The Nigro Brothers Auctioneers

### Small Business Philanthropist of the Year

2000 River City Studio  
2001 Carter Broadcasting Company  
2002 Boulevard Brewing Company  
2003 Parris Communications

\*Nonprofit Connect no longer considers nominations for the awards on this page.  
Looking to nominate an emerging professional for a Rising Star Award?  
Check out our Emerging Award categories on the Award Nomination Criteria page.