

GLCU Foundation Fundraising Event this Thursday

The GLCU Foundation for Financial Empowerment is hosting its [fundraising event](#) this Thursday, October 10 from 6-8 pm at the Greenbelt Cultural Center in North Chicago. We are celebrating the community impact the GLCU Foundation has had in the past year. Attendees will enjoy a night of connecting with partners, honoring award winners and raising money to continue empowering local communities. If you're interested in supporting the event, donations are welcome.

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GLCU Foundation Helps Save a Mobile Homeowner



Visit our [blog](#) to see how mobile homeowner Richard V. worked with the [GLCU Foundation Housing and Financial Counseling](#) team to save himself from being evicted after falling behind \$10,000 on his lot rent.

Court-Based Rental Assistance Funding Up To \$15,000 Still Available



If you're a tenant or landlord currently in eviction court, grant applications are now being accepted from the [Illinois Housing Development Authority](#). Get up to \$15,000 in funding to help cover emergency rental payments, including up to two months' future rent payments to prevent eviction.

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Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance



Did you know that the Salvation Army is more than just a place to donate clothing and household items? As a true community resource that aligns with the GLCU Foundation's mission, the Salvation Army saves community members from losing their homes with rental, mortgage and utility payment assistance.

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Empowering First-Time Homebuyers through Education



The GLCU Foundation for Financial Empowerment is dedicated to making homeownership possible for everyone. One way we achieve this is by hosting first-time homebuyer workshops. We've helped attendees make their homeownership dreams come true. For example, Carol, a workshop attendee, was able to take what she learned and buy her first home.

"I am extremely grateful for all the awesome assistance the GLCU Foundation provided to me. Your seminars really empowered me to take the next step in my journey and achieve my dream," Carol said.

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By the Numbers - Our Community Impact



CU Kind Day Week of Volunteering



Every year GLCU takes part in the Illinois Credit Union League's, [CU Kind Day](#). CU Kind Day is a state-wide initiative to spread kindness and practice the shared credit union philosophy of "people helping people." In years' past, GLCU created several volunteer opportunities to get involved on CU Kind Day. In 2024, we've expanded our impact to include an entire Week of Volunteering, October 14-19 in honor of CU Kind Day. GLCU will be helping more than 15 organizations throughout the week.

Partner Spotlight: Common Pantry



[Common Pantry](#) meets the emergency needs of our local community in Uptown-Chicago by providing healthy food, kinship, and support to help overcome poverty-related challenges. GLCU volunteers help stock shelves, bag groceries, and assist clients as they shop for their favorite items on a monthly basis, adding up to more than 75 volunteer hours to date in 2024. Common Pantry serves on average, 836 households every month and has been serving the community since 1967. If you or someone you know is facing food insecurity in the Cook County community, visit Common Pantry to learn how to access their resources.

Foundation Employee Spotlight

Meet Jeannine Folan, HUD-Certified Housing and Financial Counselor

In her role as a HUD-Certified Housing and Financial Counselor, Jeannine Folan helps individuals and couples create financial stability in their lives. This includes everything from developing sustainable budgets, building credit, dealing with debt issues, finding affordable rentals and helping clients avoid eviction or foreclosure.



Jeannine enjoys helping people resolve their financial difficulties and move on to the next chapter of their financial life. Some of her most satisfying experiences have come from helping clients avoid losing their homes. Jeannine joined the GLCU Foundation team in 2020 and has more than twelve years of experience in financial counseling.

Q2 Partnership Recipient Announced



The GLCU Foundation for Financial Empowerment is pleased to announce [Bridge Communities](#) as our second quarter partnership recipient. Bridge Communities' mission is to transition families experiencing homelessness to self-sufficiency by working with partners to provide mentoring support, holistic services, and stable housing. The GLCU Foundation is looking forward to continuing to partner with Bridge Communities to improve the health and well-being of families and empower them to achieve their goals of financial stability and permanent housing.

If you are interested in submitting a proposal request, please click the button below to learn more about our partnership guidelines and to submit a proposal. Donations will be awarded on a quarterly basis. Fourth quarter applications will be accepted from October 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, and will be awarded by January 31, 2025.

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By donating to the GLCU Foundation for Financial Empowerment, you become a critical part of a powerful mission to promote economic stability and financial literacy. Your generous contribution directly helps us provide invaluable resources, education, and tools for individuals striving to secure their financial future. By supporting our foundation, you can truly make a difference, enabling people to transform their lives through improved financial awareness and independence. You can [donate online](#) or send checks to:

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