

MGM Grand Detroit Cast Members Donate \$75,654 to Local Community

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Casino Group to Visit Six Community Agencies March 10-12 To See Their Dollars at Work

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MGM Grand Detroit announced today that the company's Cast Members are donating \$75,654 to the Detroit community. The monies are a result of the employee-funded Voice Foundation charitable campaign.

A group of the casino's cast members on March 10, 11 and 12 will visit six Detroit community organizations to see first hand some of the charities receiving their dollars. Agencies receiving a total of \$30,000 through the Voice Foundation's Community Funds include the Latin Americans for Social Economic Development (LASED), Northwest Community Center, Children's Hospital of Detroit Horizons project, Don Bosco Hall, Lula Belle Stewart Center and Homes for Black Children.

"MGM Grand Cast Members are proud to support and impact the very own communities that support us, where we live, work and care for our families," said George Boyer, President of MGM Grand Detroit. "Our business success is based upon the community support that we receive from our guests and fellow businesses, and it's so important that we give back to our community."

The Voice Foundation provides employees the opportunity to make direct contributions or to divert a portion of their paycheck to one of the following funding areas:

* Employee designated charities -- Employees may select a charity of their choice, providing it operates where the employee lives.

* United Way of Detroit -- Employees may designate their monies to support this local fund.

* Employee Emergency Relief Fund -- Provides monies to co-workers experiencing hardships.

* Community Fund -- This Voice Foundation fund is governed by the company's Cast Members through the Community Voice Council (CVC), comprised of a volunteer committee of employees that represent departments from the casino.

The CVC reviewed 10 grant proposals from community organizations and determined the Foundation's six grant recipients for 2002-2003 in the following areas:

- Strengthening Neighborhoods: Programs that foster safe place where people want to live, work and care for their families.
- Strengthening Children: Programs that empower children to succeed in school and early childhood development.
- Strength in Difficult Times: Support counseling and recovery services.

"MGM MIRAGE has always taken seriously its responsibility to be a charitable partner in the communities where we operate businesses," added Tina Roth, Director of Corporate Philanthropy for MGM MIRAGE. "The Voice Foundation provides our employees greater control and impact with their contributions."

MGM MIRAGE through the new Voice Foundation absorbs all administrative costs for managing the Foundation including the creation and dissemination of the request for proposals for the grant funds and the actual distribution of the monies. As a result, 100 percent of every dollar pledged by employees now goes directly to the granted programs.

The Voice Foundation's funding for the 2002-2003 period began on May 11, 2002 and runs through April 30, 2003. In order to qualify for funds, organizations must have an IRS 501(c)(3) nonprofit designation, been in operation for a minimum of 12 months and cannot be political in nature.

For more information about the MGM MIRAGE Voice Foundation, please call (702) 650-7400 or log onto the Internet at <http://www.mgmmiragevoice.com/>.

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