

# METROPOLIS COMMUNITY IMPACT

## **Metropolis is dedicated to serving and giving back to the community.**

- We donate tickets to over 400 different non-profits per year which are used for auction items and raffle prizes.
- Each season we partner with other non-profits to host fundraising events. Past organizations have included Northwest Special Recreation Association, Clearbrook, Habitat for Humanity, PADS, American Cancer Society, Arlington Heights Senior Center, Open Door Clinic and Faith Community Homes.
- We generate \$1.6 million in revenue in the local economy, above and beyond ticket sales, as our patrons dine at area restaurants, stay in local hotels and shop at other nearby businesses.
- We host an annual food drive in November and December for the Community and Economic Development Association of Cook County.
- Metropolis staff volunteer their time as mentors to grammar school students interested in the arts.



- We invite those with special needs, their families and caregivers to attend the final dress rehearsal of every Metropolis-produced show for free.

- We offer active servicemen and women free tickets to all Metropolis-produced shows.
- During the run of *The Boys Next Door* - a drama/comedy about a special needs group home - organizations who work with individuals with special needs will have exhibits on our lobby to bring light to the services they provide. The groups include the National Association for Down syndrome, Northwest Special Recreation Association, Clearbrook and National Association for Autism.



- For the past six years we've held the new playwrights festival for Carl Sandburg Junior High, exposing 7th & 8th graders to the experience of writing plays and seeing their works rehearsed and performed by professional actors.

