



Year-end Tax Reminder: Your CTC Contributions May Be Tax Deductible



The Chicago Training Center is a tax-exempt charity under IRS regulations 501 (c) (3); this means that your contributions to CTC, including a portion of your contribution to attend CTC events may be tax deductible. Please check with your tax advisor regarding your specific situation. Requests for receipts may be sent by email to information@chicagotrainingcenter.org.

16 Week CTC Rowing Sports Program Launches With The Support of ASM

After School Matters (ASM), the Chicago Park District and New Life Community Center are providing resources for our Spring 2007 programming, which begins in earnest in March.



We are currently working on additional funding sources and appreciate any help identifying foundations, individuals, community organizations etc. that would be of assistance to CTC.

Next Event: Rosa's Blues Lounge, Thursday February 8th

Our next social event will be on Thursday, the 1st of March at Rosa's Blues Lounge at 3420 West Armitage in Chicago. Chicago Training Center guests will have private access to Rosa's at 7:30pm and will be treated to a private performance before the club opens. See the web site, www.rosaschicago.com for more information about the club.

For news of future events, email events@chicagotrainingcenter.org and you will be placed on our events list.

Grant Applications and Benefactors Needed

We are continuing to build alliances and identify sources of funding through grants and institutional giving. We remain short of our goal with respect to funding programming and the required equipment and we face the challenge of a \$2mm - \$3mm development campaign to help build a facility in the near future. Our current program of 25 students requires an additional \$50,000 of funding this year as well as \$25,000 - \$50,000 in funds for additional equipment. We also need your help petitioning the City of Chicago for a boathouse site.

As you know, there is significant demand for our programming, which is expected to grow to 60 students next year and 90 students the year after. Our eventual goal is to be able to provide programming for 200-300 student athletes. We need help now to make that dream come true. You can help in a number of ways –

- **Contribute** — Provide financial support for programming, equipment, a boathouse;
- **Network** — Introduce others to CTC and the benefits we provide at-risk youth;
- **Volunteer** — Help CTC manage events and day-to-day administration; and,
- **Other** — Provide CTC participants with other opportunities.

The web site www.chicagotrainingcenter.org is constantly updated so please check for new information.