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### **53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Little City Invitational Golf Classic Honors John F. McDonough of the Chicago Blackhawks**

***The August 22nd event raised over \$280,000 to support children and adults  
with autism and other intellectual and developmental disabilities***

**Palatine, IL – August 29, 2016** – Little City's 53<sup>rd</sup> annual Little City Invitational Golf Classic was a tremendous success, raising over \$280,000 for children and adults with developmental disabilities.

Approximately 160 golfers gathered at the renowned Twin Orchard Country Club on Aug. 22nd for the Little City event which is recognized as one of the most prominent and established charity golf tournaments in the Greater Chicago area.



In memory of Morrie Kellman, creator of the Little City Golf Classic, the organization honored John F. McDonough, president and CEO of the Chicago Blackhawks.

The Morrie Kellman Humanitarian Award is presented annually to a friend of Little City and the community who embodies Mr. Kellman's spirit of giving.

The partnership between the Chicago Blackhawks and Little City has already proven to be a big win for people with developmental disabilities thanks to John McDonough's passion and commitment to Little City's mission.

*Left to Right: John Stevens, Merrill Lynch; Kenneth Kolmin & Marcus Montanye, LCI Event Co-Chairs; Shawn Jeffers, Executive Director of Little City; John F. McDonough, President and CEO of the Chicago Blackhawks; Ed Hockfield, Chief Development Officer for Little City.*



In addition to offering several Chicago Blackhawks game day packages that raised thousands of dollars for Little City, McDonough and the Blackhawks also contributed to Little City's Fund-A-Need, a much needed sensory and therapeutic gym.



"John McDonough and the Chicago Blackhawks have been a leader in supporting important causes in the Chicago area for years," said Little City Executive Director Shawn E. Jeffers. "We're extremely proud to recognize John McDonough's dedication to Little City and look forward to a strong relationship with John and the Chicago Blackhawks for years to come."

This year's LCI sponsors included the Chicago Blackhawks, RSM US LLP, The Private Bank, Wipfli LLP, Breakthrough Beverage Illinois and Daily Herald.

*John F. McDonough, President and CEO of the Chicago Blackhawks, with Little City Special Olympians.*

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#### **ABOUT LITTLE CITY**

Being a leader for over 57 years, Little City continues to be inspirational and transformational in developing its 56-acre therapeutic community in Palatine. From a modest beginning of three homes and 16 residents primarily with Down syndrome, Little City has grown into a recognized leader offering a wide array of innovative services to over 700 clients weekly. In addition to the Palatine location, Little City has a Community Services Office in Chicago's Humboldt Park neighborhood, adult service centers in Palatine and Waukegan, and 13 adult community homes and one children's group home located throughout suburban Cook and DuPage Counties.

Today, Little City serves over 700 individuals with mild to profound disabilities offering an innovative and comprehensive program portfolio that includes vocational training and employment placement, foster care and adoption, home-based family support, health and wellness, recreation and therapeutic activities, disability awareness and community education, day school and an award-winning arts program. Visit [www.littlecity.org](http://www.littlecity.org).