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Chicago Blackhawk Charities Announce Partnership With Chicago-based “Dreams For Kids” Children’s Charity

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As part of Chicago Blackhawk Charities grant distribution for the 2009-10 season, the Chicago Blackhawks today announced their continued relationship with Dreams for Kids as a grantee of the Blackhawk Charities. A new partnership with Dreams for Kids was officially unveiled during the kickoff event at Chicago Illuminating Company on Tuesday, Sept. 15.

Chicago Blackhawk Charities, whose support for Dreams for Kids dates back to 2002, will work with the grantee throughout their 20th anniversary celebration year and beyond. The Chicago Blackhawks will be incorporated into a special Dreams for Kids 20th anniversary logo that was revealed on Sept. 15. The partnership will allow both organizations to emphasize and leverage their global outreach to children in need.

“This historic partnership will bring a generation of kids from the sidelines of life empowering them to realize their dreams,” said Tom Tuohy, President and Founder of Dreams for Kids.

Dreams for Kids, a worldwide, volunteer-driven children’s charity founded and based in Chicago, is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year. Through various initiatives from global awareness workshops to adaptive sporting events, Dreams for Kids unites children of every ability, race, religion, and socio-economic background and inspires them to realize their full potential.

Tuesday’s event, emceed by Blackhawks radio broadcaster John Wiedeman, featured a speech by team Chairman Rocky Wirtz as well as appearances by Blackhawks [Kris Versteeg](#) and [Troy Brouwer](#) and members of the front office.

“Dreams for Kids presented Chicago Blackhawk Charities with tangible program opportunities that met with our mission and created platforms that would allow us to impact the lives of children throughout Chicago,” said Blackhawks Senior Director of Market Development & Community Affairs Pete Hassen. “We salute Dreams for Kids on their 20th Anniversary Celebration and look forward to partnering with them for many years to come.”

Since its inception in 1993, Chicago Blackhawk Charities has granted over \$8 million for local programs and institutions that seek to create a better tomorrow for the youth of today. CBC believes in a series of fundamental principles that collectively serve to support local citizens and better the lives of young people in and around the city of Chicago.