



St. Louis Organizations Receive Nearly \$310,000 for Technology Needs G2I Has Given Back Nearly \$1.4 Million Since the First IT Conference in 2006

St. Louis, MO – July 17, 2017- Gateway to Innovation (G2I) capped off \$309,908 in 2017 St. Louis community giveback by presenting contributions to 16 non-profit and educational organizations during a special event hosted by the St. Louis Regional Chamber.

Each year [G2I donates 100 percent of net proceeds](#) from its increasingly popular annual conference, which was attended by 1,500 regional Information Technology (IT) professionals in downtown St. Louis in early May, to worthy organizations that demonstrate technology-related needs. Since the first conference in 2006, G2I community giveback totals \$1,369,169.



G2I distributed the remaining \$254,000 of its 2017 community giveback initiative at Monday's event. The organizations receiving contributions were:

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| • The Little Bit Foundation | \$9,000 |
| • GlobalHack | \$10,000 |
| • St. Louis Cardinals Care | \$10,000 |
| • Connections to Success | \$10,000 |
| • St. Louis Community College Foundation | \$10,000 |
| • Curriki | \$15,000 |
| • FIRST St. Louis | \$15,000 |
| • Special Olympics | \$15,000 |
| • NPower | \$15,000 |
| • IT Entrepreneur Network (ITEN) | \$15,000 |
| • Hawthorn Leadership School for Girls | \$15,000 |
| • United Cerebral Palsy Heartland (UCPH) | \$20,000 |
| • Boys Hope / Girls Hope | \$20,000 |
| • Technology Entrepreneur Center, Inc. (T-Rex) | \$20,000 |
| • Meacham Park Neighborhood Improvement Association | \$20,000 |
| • SIUE - Scholarship Endowment | \$35,000 |

G2I 2017 contributions had already been directed toward \$12,000 in scholarships for IT students, \$8,907.90 for Community Involvement initiatives of the St. Louis Chapter for the Society for Information

Management (SIM) and \$35,000 for a scholarship endowment at Harris Stowe State University which was presented at the May 3 conference.

About Gateway to Innovation: *Gateway to Innovation is the premier annual collaboration and networking event for IT Professionals in the St. Louis region. Gateway to Innovation inspires innovation through premier educational opportunities led by the industry's top leaders, provides an opportunity to share best practices and fosters collaboration with colleagues who face challenges and opportunities in our fast-paced industry. Since the first event in 2006, Gateway to Innovation has donated \$1,369,169 for IT scholarships and for technology-related grants to St. Louis area educational and non-profit organizations. More information can be found at www.g2iconference.com or by contacting Kristin Tucker at 314-276-7600.*