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## **COAST GUARD FOUNDATION PARTNERS WITH CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL BOAT SHOW**

*Ticket Buyers Can Add a Donation to Benefit the Charity's  
Programs for Coast Guard Members and Families*

**Stonington, Conn.** — The Coast Guard Foundation has been named the official charitable partner of the Chicago International Boat Show, a new event coming to Navy Pier Marina August 22-24, 2025. This partnership gives boaters a unique opportunity to support the Coast Guard Foundation while enjoying the best in boats, gear, and lakefront experiences. The three-day event will feature more than 150 luxury boats and yachts, 70 exhibitors showcasing the latest in marine technology and services, and a full schedule of live demos, workshops, and family-friendly activities. Attendees can enjoy local food, on-water fun, and expert panels that cover a wide range of boating topics.

“Partnering with the Coast Guard Foundation means more than just putting on a great event,” shared Anthony Trimino, CEO of Revel Republic, the team behind the Chicago International Boat Show. “It’s our way of supporting the Coast Guard community and showing appreciation for their service.”

When purchasing tickets, guests have the option to add a \$1 donation to the Coast Guard Foundation. Every dollar supports the Coast Guard Foundation’s full mission that includes scholarships and education grants for Coast Guard children and spouses, emergency relief for Coast Guard families when natural disasters strike, and morale and wellness programs that strengthen the entire Coast Guard community.

“Being part of this event means a lot to us,” said Susan Ludwig, president and CEO of the Coast Guard Foundation. “It’s a meaningful way to connect with people who care about life on the water and want to give back to Coast Guard members and families who serve our nation every day.”

Visit the official Chicago International Boat Show ticket website at [tickets.officialchibs.com](https://tickets.officialchibs.com) to purchase advance tickets, view the full list of exhibitors and events, and make your Coast Guard Foundation donation.

### **Event Details**

Chicago International Boat Show  
August 22- 24, 2025  
Navy Pier Marina, 600 E Grand Avenue, Chicago, IL

To learn more about the Coast Guard Foundation, or to help support its work, please visit [coastguardfoundation.org](https://coastguardfoundation.org) or call 860-535-0786.

**About The Coast Guard Foundation:**

The Coast Guard Foundation is committed to ensuring all Coast Guard members and families have the resources they need to build resilience throughout their lives. Founded in 1969, we're a vital partner to the Coast Guard—tackling the toughest challenges confronting our heroes and strengthening the entire community. Coast Guard members sacrifice so much to protect our nation. We must stand together and show them our appreciation so they can remain always ready. Join us at [CoastGuardFoundation.org](https://CoastGuardFoundation.org).

**About the Chicago International Boat Show:**

The inaugural CHIBS event, managed by Revel Republic, is being held at the Chicago Navy Pier Marina and open to the public Friday, August 22 through Sunday, August 24, 2025. Revel Republic anticipates 150+ boats on display, 70+ on-land exhibitions and more than 30,000 attendees. Both single day and weekend passes are available for purchase. Learn more at [officialchibs.com](https://officialchibs.com).



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