



The Mayor Richard M. Daley  
**Water Equity  
Community Award**

**BACKGROUND:** This award was inspired by former Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley’s passion for our lakes and rivers. Mayor Daley’s leadership went far beyond Chicago as he became an unparalleled national and international advocate for protecting these precious resources.

**AWARD RECIPIENTS:** This award will support four disadvantaged communities with needed help gaining Federal Funds for the removal of lead lines and the building of needed water infrastructure. It will also provide them annual membership to the Cities Initiative, encouraging advocacy, collaboration, and education on water-equity priorities among all basin communities. This award will allow recipients to meet with partnership organizations on their challenges.

**RECIPIENT BENEFITS:** The overall value of the award to a community will be \$17,000. Benefits include:

- Professional consulting assistance to apply for grants and gain access to federal funding for lead service line replacement and other water-infrastructure projects
- Referrals to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Environmental Finance Center network and other technical-assistance providers
- Strategic advice and best practices for equitable lead service line replacement
- Regular opportunities to advance water-equity policy priorities via the Mayors Commission on Water Equity

**Levels of Sponsorship:**

Great Lakes Level: \$100 | Lake Michigan Level: \$50 | Lake Ontario Level: \$25

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