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Cosmopolitan Club Honors Phil Turner With Charles G. Uram Lifetime Service Award

Rockford, IL – Rockford Cosmopolitan Charities, in partnership with the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois, is pleased to announce that the winner of the 2009 Charles G. Uram Lifetime Service Award is Phil Turner.

According to his nominators, Phil Turner's impact on the Rockford community has been extraordinary. For decades, Turner has volunteered for local agencies like Carpenter's Place, Crusader Community Health Foundation, the YMCA and the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois. Turner embodies the same unwavering enthusiasm and selflessness that Chuck Uram demonstrated in his service to the non-profit world.

The Charles Uram Award recognizes and celebrates the achievements of a person who embodies the values demonstrated by the late Charles G. Uram. Chuck Uram passed away on December 24, 2004 and is remembered as a friend and mentor to Rockford Cosmopolitan Charities and to the Rockford community as a whole. Chuck was a fundraiser/volunteer for Crusader Clinic, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Hunger Connection, Lifescape Community Services, Rockford Rescue Mission, Rosecrance Health Network, The MILL, United Way, Wesley Willows, YMCA, the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois and others. He was honored by the Rockford Register Star with the Excalibur Award in 2004 for his exemplary service to the community.

Carpenter's Place, the organization that nominated Phil Turner for the award, will receive \$5000 from the Rockford Cosmopolitan Club. Incorporated in 1958, the Rockford Cosmopolitan Club contributes to the community's well-being through charitable donations and volunteer service with a special emphasis on supporting efforts to prevent and find a cure for diabetes.

The Community Foundation attracts, grows and preserves a permanent endowment for the people of Northern Illinois, providing grants to nonprofit organizations and programs. In the past 10 years, the Community Foundation has awarded \$33 million in grants to community projects and organizations.

In Picture: Kay Larrick
(Carpenter's Place), Phil
Turner, Sandi Uram, Dan Clark
(Rockford Cosmopolitan Club)

