



# Village of Skokie

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## **For Immediate Release** **Public Information Division**

### **Skokie Announces Know Your Neighbor Week May 17 through 23, 2010**

During the week of May 17 through May 23, 2010, the Village of Skokie launches *Know Your Neighbor Week* during which residents are encouraged to host a neighborhood coffee to get to know one another and to celebrate each others similarities and differences. The *Know Your Neighbor Week* program is funded by The Chicago Community Trust Immigrant Integration Initiative and co-sponsored by the Human Relations Commission.

By hosting a *Know Your Neighbor Week* coffee, which is an informal gathering of neighbors and friends, the host assists in building a strong, caring community. The Village will supply all registered hosts with a coffee kit that includes invitation flyers, name tags, markers, information about Village programs and services, conversation starters/ideas and a certificate for a free coffee cake to serve to their guests. During the 2008 *Know Your Neighbor Week*, 61 Skokie residents hosted coffees to which more than 2,000 of their neighbors were invited.

For 93 years, The Chicago Community Trust has connected the generosity of donors with the needs of the community by making grants to organizations working to improve metropolitan Chicago. With assets of \$1.8 billion, the Trust made a record-breaking \$114 million in grants in 2007. From strengthening community schools to assisting local art programs, from building health centers to helping lives affected by violence, the Trust works to enhance our region.

***For more information or to register as a host and to receive your coffee kit please e-mail [info@skokie.org](mailto:info@skokie.org) or call 847/933-8257.***

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