

Chicago Pre-College Science and Engineering Program awarded \$100K from Boeing Company

Grant supports African American and Latino youth in pursuit of science and engineering careers

CHICAGO, IL, UNITED STATES, November 19, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Chicago Pre-College Science and Engineering Program (ChiS&E) today announced it has received a grant of \$100K



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Kenneth Hill, CEO Chicago Pre-College Science and Engineering from the Boeing Company. The funding will allow ChiS&E to increase the number of African American and Latino students in Chicago who are on track, upon graduation from 8th grade, to enter and complete a four-year undergraduate program in science or engineering.

The free program, which has been active in Chicago for the past 10 years, provide hands-on, project-based, out-of-school activities that build both STEM and 21st-century skills of Chicago students in grades 4 - 8 while developing their understanding of and interest in STEM careers. Further the programs engage parents in activities to improve their own understanding of STEM study and

careers, and how best to support their children in pursuing them.

"This amazing gift will allow ChiS&E to lay the foundation for CPS students in grades K - 8 to succeed in accelerated math and science courses in high school," said Kenneth Hill, CEO of ChiS&E. Our goal is to increase the number of CPS African American and Latino students with sufficient math and science preparation to enter competitive university science and engineering programs. Hill further notes that their programs are strong predictors of post-secondary and career success in science and engineering.

"The Boeing Company is honored to support the work of ChiS&E" said, Bernice (Bea) Billups, Senior Manager Boeing Global Engagement. "We believe in partnering with organizations that are fostering innovation, building partnerships and driving change in the sciences, and we're proud to be part of the positive impact that ChiS&E is having on students in Chicago Public Schools."

About ChiS&E

The mission of the Chicago Pre-College Science and Engineering Program (ChiS&E) is to increase the number of historically underrepresented African American and Latino students who are motivated and academically prepared to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). ChiS&E is a 501©3 tax-exempt organization. For more information on ChiS&E please visit www.chiprep.org.

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