



2021

SEARCH

TRAILBLAZERS

Creating Inclusive Communities

PIECE BY PIECE

Search TRAILBLAZERS 2021:
Creating Inclusive Communities -
Piece by Piece

May 20, 2021
7 pm



Event Program

7 pm: Welcome

Aged & Infused Cocktail Video

Trailblazers Award Presentations

Search Inc. Impact Video

Special Guest

Donation Challenge

8 pm: Final Remarks, Evening Ends



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About Search Trailblazers

Search Trailblazers is the signature annual fundraiser for Search Inc., a non-profit that empowers adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Chicagoland.

Our programs benefit more than 350 adults and their families annually.

Search Trailblazers recognizes leaders who have paved the way for people with disabilities to live, learn, work and play as active members in their communities and lift up the mission of Search Inc.



2021 Trailblazers Award Honorees

Resurrection University

Each semester, for an eight week rotation, Resurrection University nursing students embed with our frontline staff in the program environment. The students also work with our nursing team at Search's onsite medical clinics. Search has hosted 113 nursing students since the partnership with Resurrection University began.

For leading the way on disability-aware nursing, and for all that they continue to do to ensure that individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities are respected, understood and supported, we are thrilled to work with Resurrection University.



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Search's Frontline Staff

This past year has been among the most challenging in Search's 50+ years. Here at Search, our staff members have shown up to support the people we serve and each other in a time of great need. They haven't had the option of staying home because for the individuals we serve, Search IS home.

Regardless of position title or job description, each to a person at Search set aside personal risk and stepped up to selflessly take their place on the frontline of our pandemic response. Whatever role they might have played at Search before COVID-19, each one is a frontline hero now, and we are so grateful for their bravery, dedication and compassion.



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auction and get ready to text in during
our donation challenge!

Thanks to an anonymous donor, all
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will be matched!



Thank you to everyone who provided video content for our event!

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