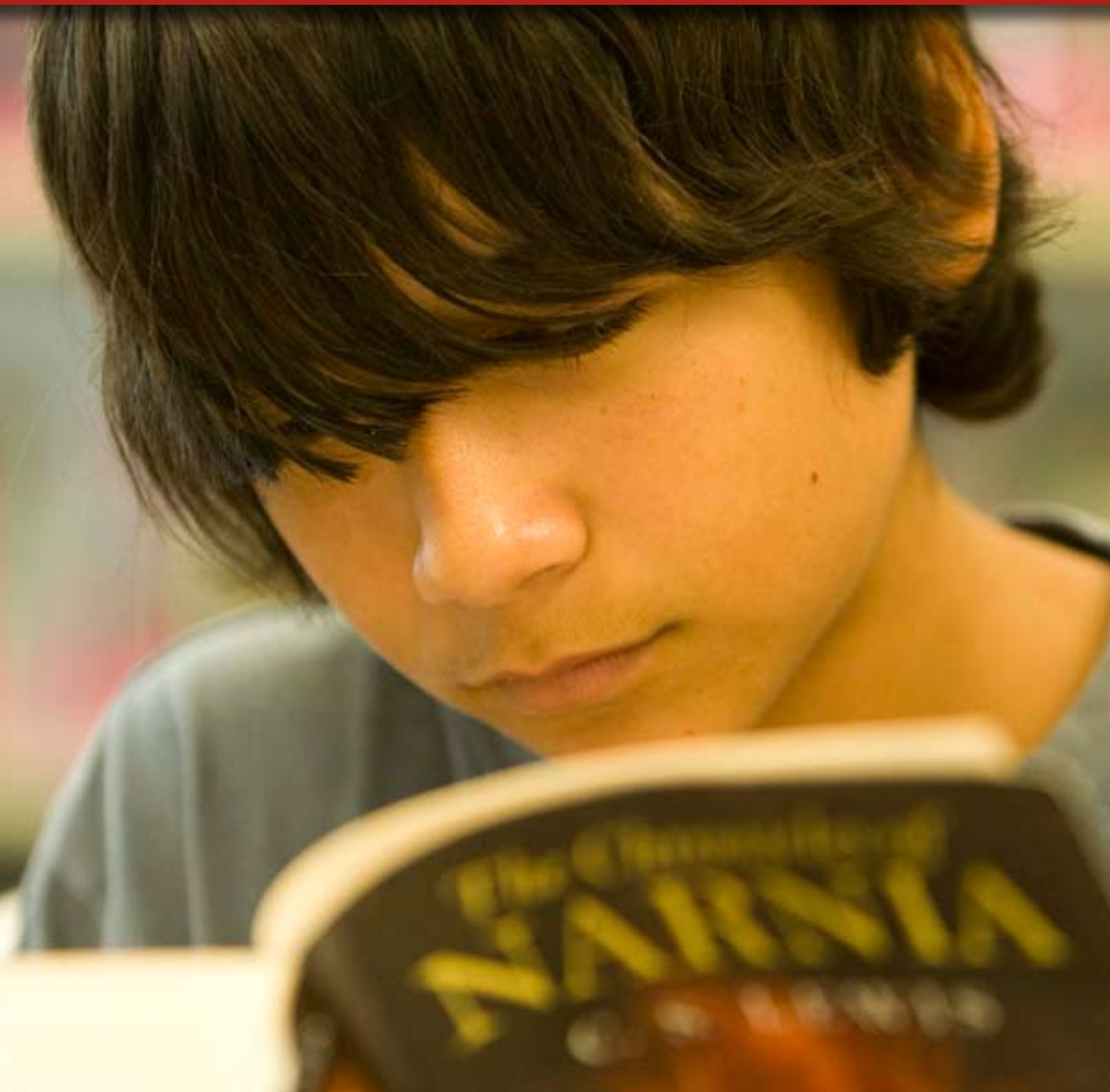




United Way of Greater Houston

IN HOUSTON, **LAWYERS TACKLE THE TOUGH ISSUES**

2009-2010 LAW FIRM INITIATIVE



"It is not enough to understand, or to see clearly.
The future will be shaped in the arena of human activity,
by those willing to commit their minds
and their bodies to the task."

ROBERT KENNEDY

THE UNITED WAY'S LAW FIRM INITIATIVE

Now in its eighth year, the Law Firm Initiative brings leaders from Houston's legal and corporate communities together to support those facing life's toughest challenges. As we work toward a common goal, share best practices and get to know one another, the members of the Law Firm Initiative show their dedication to our community.

Leaders have a can-do attitude. As a member of the Law Firm Initiative, there are a number of opportunities you can take to make the biggest difference for the most people – the rewards are countless.

Awards Reception

General counsel from more than 20 of Houston's largest companies host this annual event.

Letter to Leaders

We share the impressive successes of top law firm campaigns with the CEO and general counsel of Houston's top 100 corporate contributors.

Recognition in Board Meetings

Top law firms are recognized at the United Way's bi-monthly board meetings, bringing your accomplishments to the attention of Houston community leaders.

Reception for Young Lawyers

Our city's top corporate in-house lawyers welcome young leaders who contribute at least \$1,000 with a private reception.

Recognition Advertisements

Prominent ads in bar publications share with the world the valuable contributions of participating law firms.

The Women's Initiative

Donors of \$2,500 and above may join this select group of women leaders from many industries for special events and networking opportunities.

The Alexis de Tocqueville Society

For contributors who give \$10,000 and above, the Alexis de Tocqueville Society is an opportunity to join the most prestigious group of corporate and community leaders at exclusive events throughout the year, including an annual member dinner.



"The Law Firm Initiative gives our profession a chance to turn our community's challenges into opportunities for renewal and growth. Together, we stand united for Houston."

BILL LOWREY, SHELL OIL COMPANY
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, GENERAL COUNSEL
AND CORPORATE SECRETARY



"The Law Firm Initiative brings out the best in our legal community to tap our can-do spirit and reach out to help our neighbors."

SANDRA L. PHILLIPS, MORGAN LEWIS & BOCKIUS LLP
PARTNER



"United Way has focused on the big picture for over 87 years. Law firms and corporations work together through the United Way's Law Firm Initiative to envision and create a better community."

BOBBY REEVES, ANADARKO PETROLEUM COMPANY
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, GENERAL COUNSEL
AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



"United Way gives Houston's legal community a remarkable opportunity to continue its tradition of service and support of our neighbors in need."

TRACIE RENFROE, KING & SPALDING LLP
PARTNER



"In these times of uncertainty, I am grateful that the United Way exists to be the community safety net. I gladly lend my support."

JOHN WOMBWELL, PLAINS EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION COMPANY
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, GENERAL COUNSEL
AND CORPORATE SECRETARY



"Through the Law Firm Initiative, we demonstrate our dedication to the community, achieve measurable results and build a stronger future for all of us."

MARIE YEATES, VINSON & ELKINS LLP
APPELLATE PRACTICE GROUP LEADER
AND MANAGING PARTNER OF HOUSTON OFFICE



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"Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world."

HARRIET TUBMAN

United Way is the one organization looking at the big picture and tackling the major issues for Houston. By thorough assessment of current and long-term needs paired with the careful stewardship of contributions, United Way donors help make the biggest difference to the most people. Through their generous gifts of time, talent and resources, Houston attorneys are a force for positive change in our community.

We invite you to join us in standing up for our community by participating in United Way's Law Firm Initiative.

FOR CHILDREN
FOR FAMILIES
FOR SENIORS
FOR LIVES
FOR HOUSTON