# **Summary Description of Supplemental Outreach Initiatives**

## Specify First Initiative:

Participation in scholarship programs designed to assist students interested in pursuing a career in broadcasting.

#### Describe activities undertaken to fulfill that initiative:

### The Award of the Judy and John McCarter Family Fellowship:

- Awarded to graduate students, or recent graduates, who are interested in television and radio production, and come from an under-resourced background
- Applicants are asked to submit a resume and essay indicating their interest
- The final candidate, will work in Production for either WTTW or WFMT
- WTTW/WFMT awards one fellowship per year
- The WTTW McCarter Fellowship was awarded this year to two individuals. The fellowship is for a six month period.

## The Award of the WFMT Patner Fellowship:

- Awarded to college student or recent graduate with demonstrated interest in the arts.
- Applicants are asked to submit a resume and cover letter expressing qualifications and interest in the fellowship. Applicants must provide writing samples that reflect writing skills in various mediums.
- The final candidate will work with WFMT Producers and Hosts on content for on-air and the website.
- The WFMT Patner Fellowship was awarded to two individuals for a three (3) month period.

#### Specify Second Initiative:

Establishment of an intern program designed to assist members of the community to acquire skills needed for broadcast employment.

#### Describe activities undertaken to fulfill that initiative:

### **Television Production Internships**

For students from participating colleges or universities interested in a career in Broadcasting

For Fall Internships – apply by mid July

For Winter Internships – apply by late November

For Spring Internships – apply by mid February

For Summer Internships – apply by mid April

- Work in Television Production in one of four areas:
  - 1. Arts & Entertainment
  - 2. Documentaries & Public Affairs specials
  - 3. News and current affairs (Chicago Tonight)
  - 4. Documentaries from Chicago's past
- Recruitment through company website and announcements made within local colleges and universities specializing in broadcasting
- Year-round internships are available with the (above) application deadlines
- Internships are on-going with approximately 57 students participating each year
- ❖ Applicants should contact Leigh Stone, Internship Coordinator at (773) 509-5421

# Specify Third Initiative:

Participation in general outreach efforts through job banks, Internet and other similar programs.

#### Describe activities undertaken to fulfill that initiative:

- Post available positions with online job banks with a diverse audience.
- Post all available positions on company website
- ❖ Post available positions with EEO organizations
- ❖ Posting of many positions in community job banks reaching a diverse population
- Development of relationships with community colleges and universities

### Specify Fourth Initiative:

Training to management level personnel as to methods of ensuring equal employment opportunity and preventing discrimination.

#### Describe activities undertaken to fulfill that initiative:

Conducted Diversity and Inclusion Training for Managers.