

A red ribbon graphic winds around the top and sides of the poster. The background is white with red and black diagonal stripes in the corners.

girls
inc.

of St. Louis



Strong, Smart &
Bold

LUNCHEON

CELEBRATING

45 YEARS OF EMPOWERING GIRLS

Two dark silhouettes of girls' heads and shoulders are positioned on the left and right sides of the bottom half of the poster.

THE RITZ CARLTON-ST. LOUIS

NOVEMBER 17, 2026

GIRLS INCORPORATED OF ST. LOUIS



Girls Incorporated of St. Louis is a nonprofit organization that inspires more than 9,000 girls and young women ages 5 to 24 each year to be Strong, Smart, and Bold. Through mentorship, academic support, college and career readiness, and personal development programs, we empower girls to build confidence, discover and develop their strengths, and achieve their full potential. As one of 78 Girls Inc. affiliates across the U.S. and Canada, our organization is nationally recognized for excellence and impact.

Visit www.girlsincstl.org to learn more!

GIRLS INCORPORATED OF ST. LOUIS

Strong, Smart and Bold Honorees



Kimberly Bradberry
Chief Revenue Officer
Salesforce



Karen Branding
President & CEO
St. Louis Regional Business Council

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20th Annual Strong, Smart, and Bold Luncheon

We are proud to celebrate these extraordinary individuals whose dedication and leadership have made a lasting impact throughout the St. Louis metropolitan community. As we recognize our 2026 Strong, Smart, and Bold Honorees, we honor their unwavering commitment to empowering young people, strengthening communities, and creating opportunities for future generations.

Their vision, passion, and commitment continue to inspire those around them and advance our mission of helping girls grow up strong, smart, and bold. We are honored to recognize their achievements and celebrate the profound difference they make in our community.

Tuesday, November 17, 2026

The Ritz Carlton–St. Louis
100 Carondelet Plaza
St. Louis, MO 63105

11:00am–11:45am – Registration & Silent Auction
12:00pm – Luncheon

Tickets:

\$150 (per person)

Tables:

\$1,500 (per table)



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Strong, Smart and Bold Honorees



Michael McMillan
President & CEO
Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis



Jason Purnell
President & CEO
James S. McDonnell Foundation

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Angela Grady, Rochelle Griffin & Genevieve Otto - Event Chairs

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Dr. Robert Virgil

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Barbara Wilkinson

Girls Incorporated of St. Louis provides educational, recreational and cultural programs in safe environments for girls that enable them to raise their aspirations and realize their potential. Girls Inc. inspires all girls to be strong, smart, and bold!