

Stanley Black & Decker Donates Innovative Security System to Chicago Community ToolBank.

*STANLEY Security now protecting ten ToolBank facilities from coast to coast...
including a ToolBank on wheels.*

CHICAGO (June 23, 2016) – When the Chicago Community ToolBank opened its doors for the first time this summer, thousands of hammers, drills, shovels, and ladders were made available for use by local charitable organizations. And when the Chicago ToolBank staff closes their doors at the end of every day, the security system donated by STANLEY Security Solutions ensures that ToolBank tools are available all the days that follow.

The national ToolBank network is changing the way Americans build, strengthen, and revitalize communities by providing reliable access to critically needed tools. ToolBank tools are borrowed by local charities, schools, and faith-based organizations to equip volunteers and perform service projects while reducing overall expenses. In 2015, nine ToolBanks loaned nearly \$6 M in tools to charitable organizations, equipping nearly 200,000 volunteers as they worked to improve their local communities.

Each ToolBank has received the donation of an industry-leading security system and services from Stanley Black & Decker. Commercial-grade security is crucial to the preservation of each ToolBank's inventory, ensuring that its massive arsenal of equipment is securely stored, and available when requested. STANLEY Security implemented a new "turnkey" security system solution, specialized for the Chicago ToolBank. The solution included a new Honeywell intrusion alarm system, Genetec integrated video management solution using Axis technologies IP cameras with HID net-access control, and an Aiphone Video/Intercom door entry system.

"The Lisle, Illinois office and I are pleased to have been able to provide this unique system for the Chicago ToolBank," said Rick Spano, Senior Integrated System Consultant, STANLEY Security. "The user-friendly system provides real time and archived video features, ensuring the team has confidence and trust in their new facility."

The system installation at the Chicago ToolBank is the tenth such donation, with ToolBanks in Atlanta, Baltimore, Charlotte, Cincinnati, Houston, Phoenix, Portland (OR), and Richmond (VA) each receiving both the provision of a security system and monitoring expenses from Stanley Black & Decker through the end of 2017.

"What we love about the ToolBank is that it puts high-quality tools into the hands of Americans who volunteer their time to improve their communities," said Tim Perra, Vice President, Communications, Stanley Black & Decker. "By donating our security solutions, we not only protect those tools, but also ensure that more volunteers have the ability to use our tools for years to come."

Stanley Black & Decker’s partnership with ToolBank began over ten years ago, in support of the original ToolBank in Atlanta, GA. Stanley Black & Decker’s support now includes direct support for ToolBank USA (the national parent organization), the provision of security systems and monitoring services to all ToolBanks, and in-kind donations of STANLEY and DEWALT products for each location. Stanley Black & Decker giving also fueled the creation of ToolBank Disaster Services, a program of ToolBank USA that provides tools to volunteers responding to disaster events anywhere in the United States. The trailer deployed by ToolBank Disaster Services also boasts a STANLEY Security system, to secure the thousands of tools inside both during and between deployments. The value of Stanley Black & Decker’s investment in the national ToolBank network has exceeded \$1.5 million since 2010.

“Like the many ToolBanks that have preceded it, the Chicago Community ToolBank simply would not have happened without Stanley Black & Decker,” said Chicago ToolBank Board President Stacy McDonald. “An asset is only as good as the plan to protect it. The provision of a Stanley Security system means that ToolBank resources will be available for the long term, and will grow in value over time.”

About The Chicago Community ToolBank

The Chicago Community ToolBank (a 501C3 nonprofit organization) is the tenth affiliate of ToolBank USA, the national replicator of ToolBanks. Metro Chicago’s charities now have access to a vast arsenal of high-quality tools and equipment to increase the impact and scope of community improvement projects. The national ToolBank movement is bringing *Tools for Change*® to communities across the United States. Visit www.chicagotoolbank.org for more information.

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