ROGERSEDGE RETAIL GUIDE

A partnership-building strategy for business owners
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

UNIVERSITIES ARE ANCHORS FOR CONSUMERS AND business owners. Retailers desire to locate near and benefit from institutions that attract students and families. The most successful universities define the community culture by offering the consumer many options for their shopping needs.

In the Rogers Park and Edgewater neighborhoods, Loyola University Chicago provides many resources to business owners. Since 2005, Loyola has invested more than $300 million in new and upgraded facilities; many of which include commercial service and retail opportunities. Additionally, Loyola provides support for the local communities by making voluntary contributions to Special Service Areas and by serving as an active member of several neighborhood improvement organizations.

In 2015, Loyola hired PLACE Consulting, Inc. to study the demographic trends of both the campus and surrounding community. With PLACE’s help, Loyola strategized economic development and community revitalization opportunities in the Rogers Park and Edgewater neighborhoods. Focus was placed on gathering information in areas radiating out from the campus to identify changes in neighborhood characteristics, demographics, and retail gaps that could help shape University activities and economic opportunities.

- Food and drink are very important to area residents in terms of desirability and spending habits.
- The area population is mostly single individuals, who do not own a car.
- The housing is predominately rental.
- Upwardly mobile residents are continuing to move into the area.
- Walkability is extremely important.
- The food, clothing, hobby, and sporting goods market sectors hold opportunity.
LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO, a private Jesuit, Catholic university founded in 1870, has increased its total student population by 40 percent since 2001 and is now among the largest of the 28 Jesuit colleges and universities in terms of population. Loyola is similar in size and demographics to its sister universities Georgetown University, Boston College, and Marquette University. The main campus, the Lake Shore Campus, is located along Lake Michigan in the Rogers Park and Edgewater neighborhoods. The attached appendices A and B will give you a glance at our student population and demographics.

In 2015, Loyola ended a 10-year strategic plan, which included upgrading campus facilities and infrastructure as well as investing in retail and residential development adjacent to its campuses. Loyola University Chicago recently launched Strategic Plan 2020 and is developing a community partnership model that enhances quality of life for citizens through thoughtful economic and social programs.

ROGERSEDGE Business Improvement Initiative is the next step in Loyola’s commitment to commercial revitalization. Loyola’s strategy is to provide the tools necessary to recruit and retain successful business corridors near the campus. ROGERSEDGE retailers are connected to University departments, such as Community Relations, Lakeside Management, and Conference Services. ROGERSEDGE retailers are also served by community partners such as the Rogers Park Business Alliance, Edgewater Chamber of Commerce, and the 48th Ward and 49th Ward offices.

What follows is an outline of ways to partner, engage, and promote with Loyola departments, partners, and other constituents.
ROGERSEDGE PARTNERS

The ROGERSEDGE Business Improvement Initiative is a collaboration between Loyola University Chicago, the Rogers Park Business Alliance, and the Edgewater Chamber of Commerce to recruit, support, and sustain a high quality business district on the Far North Side of Chicago’s lakefront. Because it is located at the edges of Loyola’s Lake Shore Campus and these neighborhoods, we work together promoting and supporting the district through planning, marketing, networking, and special events.

THE EDGEWATER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Edgewater Chamber of Commerce is a community of over 200 businesses and organizations who are committed to growing, learning, and connecting. The Edgewater Chamber’s mission is to create and support a thriving business environment, contributing to a vibrant Edgewater community. It provides services for Special Service Area #26 on Broadway, Granville, and Devon Avenues.

- 48th Ward Spring Fling
- Family Night Out
- Edgewater Fall Arts Fair
- Pivot Arts Festival
- Edgewater Pitch Fest
- EdgeFest
- Edgewater Farmers Market
- Edgewater Back to School
- 5K Run/Walk
- Holiday Mixer

ROGERS PARK BUSINESS ALLIANCE

Rogers Park Business Alliance (RPBA) cultivates and sustains a thriving economic environment in Rogers Park. Serving businesses and residents, they work in the areas of business, community, and economic development. The RPBA manages three Special Service Areas including #54 on Sheridan Road.

- Annual Fundraiser
- Celebrate Clark Street Festival
- Glenwood Avenue Arts Festival
- Heat It Up! Fundraiser and ProAm Chili Cook Off
- Harvest Fest
- Casino Night
- Glenwood Sunday Market
- Live, Love, Shop Rogers Park

LOYOLA COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The Department of Community Relations serves as the connection between the University and the surrounding neighborhoods. We build relationships with the city, local schools, community policing, block clubs, chambers of commerce, neighborhood organizations, and nonprofits. Fostering joint communication with local residents and elected officials in all areas of campus planning and development is essential to us. In addition, Community Relations provides opportunities for students, parents, faculty, staff, and businesses to become active in the neighborhoods through tours, collaborative programs, special events, and volunteer opportunities.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP FOR BOTH GROUPS

- Marketing and promotion (ribbon cuttings, newsletters, press releases, deal promotion)
- Workshops
- Direct assistance and advocacy
- Networking programs
- Special service areas

LAKESIDE MANAGEMENT, NFP

Lakeside Management, NFP, Loyola’s nonprofit retail property management company, is a real estate investment and management company that acquires, develops, and operates 567 single and multi-family apartments and approximately 30 commercial properties in the Gold Coast, Edgewater, and Rogers Park neighborhoods of Chicago. Lakeside Management works hard to protect, preserve, and promote these communities and local businesses, an essential part of creating long-lasting relationships and doing business responsibly.

48th WARD: ALDERMAN HARRY OSTERMAN
- 5533 N. Broadway St.
- 773.784.5277 • harry@48thward.org

49th WARD: ALDERMAN JOE MOORE
- 7356 N. Greenview Ave.
- 773.338.5796 • ward49@cityofchicago.org
Printed each summer, 3,500 business directories are distributed to all first-year and transfer students. The printed guide provides an extensive list of community restaurants, stores, and services near the Lake Shore and Water Tower campuses. Exclusive advertising opportunities encourage students, parents, faculty, and staff to explore the diverse communities surrounding Loyola’s campuses.

With more than 2,300 hits per day, this online platform allows students to browse targeted deals and specials from ROGERSEDGE establishments. Students can review businesses, post photos, and share on social media. As the third most popular Loyola-run blog, it is connected to other campus websites and shared with students by various departments.

ROGERSEDGE business owners have an exclusive opportunity to showcase their products and services to thousands of Loyola students, faculty, and staff by setting up shop inside the Damen Student Center for one day.

More than 1,000 first-year students participate in this annual event each fall. Students can visit over 40 businesses between Howard Street and Bryn Mawr Avenue and sample a variety of foods. This is held in partnership with the Edgewater Chamber and RPBA.

As part of the process of recruiting new retailers, Community Relations and Lakeside Management have partnered for a VOTE campaign. Through social media, local residents and students can submit ideas for new businesses they would like to see in the neighborhood. Vinyl banners and posters are displayed at over 20 local restaurants and empty storefronts.

These universal funds are accepted at many of Loyola’s on- and off-campus partners. Rambler Bucks offer Loyola students and employees a convenient method of paying for goods and services. Students with Loyola ID are automatically eligible to have funds added with cash, check, or credit card through an online portal; parents are encouraged to add money to their son or daughter’s account.

From June through October, the Loyola Plaza hosts a farmer’s market, various pop-up food vendors as well as live music, entertainment, dance, and craft events for the 35,150 patrons who use the CTA Red Line Loyola station each week.

Approximately 2,000 online e-mail subscribers receive a monthly newsletter featuring a “business spotlight” and an update on ROGERSEDGE business partners.

Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram and we will share your posts.

In an effort to welcome them to the neighborhood with support of local businesses and the community, students are offered a chance to mix and mingle.

Students and community members can enjoy the St. Ignatius Community Plaza while watching a movie on a jumbo inflatable screen.

Hosted by Community Relations, RPBA, the Edgewater Chamber, and the 49th Ward, this two-day winter festival attracts thousands of attendees each December. Festivities include live music, food from local vendors, kids’ activities, and shopping with local artisans.

Businesses can take advantage of arena signage, web content, game-day promotions, and premium item giveaways as well as print, radio, and TV announcements.

Features include in-game promotions, premium item giveaways, and print, radio, and TV announcements.

This preferred list is offered to Loyola guests attending private conferences.
# APPENDICES

## LOYOLA AT A GLANCE

### APPENDIX A

#### STUDENT STATISTICS

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<td>Students in private rental apartments in 60660 and 60626 ZIP codes</td>
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**TOTAL ENROLLMENT**: 16,437

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#### FACULTY, STAFF, AND ALUMNI

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<td>• In Chicago</td>
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<tr>
<td>• In Rogers Park and Edgewater alumni</td>
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#### UNDERGRADUATES

- White, non-Hispanic: 6,152
- Hispanic/Latino: 1,523
- Asian, non-Hispanic: 1,223
- Nonresidents: 579
- Two or more races, non-Hispanic: 526
- Black or African American, non-Hispanic: 482
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, non-Hispanic: 33
- American Indian or Alaska Native, non-Hispanic: 6

*Loyola Office of Institutional Research CDS Report 2015*
**APPENDIX C**

**NEIGHBORHOOD DEMOGRAPHICS**
WITHIN HALF A MILE OF LAKE SHORE CAMPUS

POPULATION: 31,767 • HOUSEHOLDS: 15,680 • FAMILIES: 5,068 • AGE: 35.2 (median), 37.9 (avg.)

**HOUSEHOLD TYPE**
NONFAMILY VS. FAMILY

68% NONFAMILY
50% FEMALE

**GENDER**
FEMALE VS. MALE

**APPENDIX D**

**EDUCATION**
AGES 25+

- Bachelor’s: 38%
- Some college, no degree: 24%
- Master’s: 20%
- High school: 18%

**APPENDIX E**

**RACE**

- White: 67%
- Black/African American: 15%
- Asian: 10%
- Other: 4%
- Two or more races: 3%
- Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander: 0.03%

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**INCOME**

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**RISEING HOME VALUES**
WITHIN HALF A MILE OF LAKE SHORE CAMPUS, 2015 AVERAGES

- 1446 West Thome: $1,100,000
- 6353 N. Glenwood #1: $345,000
- 1052 West Albion: $1,200,000

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**MONEY SPENT ON MEALS AWAY FROM HOME**

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*PLACE Consulting, May 2015*
APPENDIX I
PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND RIDERSHIP

ROGERS PARK

CTA Red Line ‘L’ train stations
• Loyola (yearly entrance: 1,827,686)
• Morse (yearly entrance: 1,655,567)
• Jarvis (yearly entrance: 571,617)
• Howard (yearly entrance: 1,890,177)

CTA Buses
• No. 22 Clark (yearly rides: 5,147,857)
• No. 147 Outer Drive Express (yearly rides: 3,726,789)

Metra
• Union Pacific/North Line (UP-N)
• Rogers Park Station (total weekday boarding: 1,498)

EDGEEWATER

CTA Red Line ‘L’ train station
• Bryn Mawr (yearly entrance: 1,351,940)
• Granville (yearly entrance: 1,419,768)

CTA Buses
• No. 151 Sheridan (yearly ride: 4,927,002)
• No. 36 Broadway (yearly ride: 3,973,006)

Vehicles
• Sheridan Road: 41,200
  (21,100 northbound/20,100 southbound)

Zipcar and Enterprise CarShare locations are also available near the University.

*CTA 10/15 Ridership Report and CDOT average daily counts