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## Chicago's summer chalk art festival Chalk Howard Street canceled due to COVID-19 pandemic

CHICAGO (April 22, 2020)—Out of an abundance of caution, and prioritizing the safety and wellbeing of its artists and festival attendees, the nonprofit Rogers Park Business Alliance and Howard Street Special Service Area #19 have canceled this year's **Chalk Howard Street** festival, originally scheduled for July 18, 2020.

Chicago's premier chalk art festival, Chalk Howard Street was to return for its second year this summer, presenting internationally renowned 3D street artists and local 2D chalk artists, as well as emerging artists, live music and entertainment.

For more information, visit <u>www.howardstreetchicago.com</u>.

**Howard Street Chicago**, located on the edge of Chicago's Rogers Park neighborhood and suburban Evanston, offers an unexpected, eclectic city experience. Howard Street is alive with an engaging personality represented by its vital diversity, welcoming nature and entrepreneurial spirit. Whether you are a college student, in town for a ballgame or experiencing Chicago for the very first time, Howard Street has something for everyone. It is a place where you can be you. Howard Street Special Service Area #19 is a business improvement district managed through Rogers Park Business Alliance and by a team of Commissioners representing local businesses.

**Rogers Park Business Alliance** (RPBA) is a nonprofit organization that has served Chicago's diverse Rogers Park neighborhood for more than 25 years. RPBA works to cultivate and sustain a thriving economic environment in Rogers Park, serving businesses and residents with a variety of public events and business initiatives. RPBA programs include the GROW/PROGRESANDO entrepreneurial training program, annual Best of Rogers Park awards, Chalk Howard Street and Taste of Clark Street festivals, and the Glenwood Sunday Market farmers market. For more information, visit RPBA.org.

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