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**Kirstin Chernawsky Is Named to *Crain's Chicago Business* 40 Under 40**

*The 38-year-old executive director joins a distinguished class of young, visionary leaders across Chicago.*

November 30, 2018 (CHICAGO)—Erie Neighborhood House executive director Kirstin Chernawsky was named to the *Crain's Chicago Business* 40 Under 40 class of 2018.

The annual list was published in the November 30 issue of *Crain's* and includes a diverse array of professionals making their mark on the city of Chicago. Chernawsky is among a small handful of nonprofit executives included in the 2018 class.

The [Crain's profile on Chernawsky](#), written by Lisa Bertagnoli, chronicles her transition to the role of executive director while undergoing treatment for stage 2 breast cancer.

It also highlights Chernawsky's leadership as the agency proactively responded (and continues to respond) to the Trump administration's policies that have negatively impacted immigrants both here in Chicago and across the country.

"Our staff have met these challenges with so much resolve," said Chernawsky. "They know what's at stake for our families, and it's because of their commitment that Erie House continues to thrive as an organization."

"We're proud of the passion and leadership Kirstin demonstrates each and every day," said Erie House board president Patty Gaytan Perez. "She has played an important role in securing and expanding access to vital services at a time when so many in our immigrant communities are looking to Erie House for strength and support."

Since 1989, *Crain's* has honored 1,200 people, many of whom have gone on to national recognition. Notable 40 Under 40 alums include Barack Obama, Oprah Winfrey, Valerie Jarrett, Rahm Emanuel, J.B. Pritzker, Sally Grimes, Ken Griffin, Nate Silver and Chance the Rapper.

To view the entire 2018 40 Under 40 class, visit [Crain's Chicago Business](#) online.

**About Erie House:**

*Erie Neighborhood House (ENH) is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that reaches nearly 18,000 people annually, empowering them to build better lives while strengthening their communities. ENH offers Chicago's Latino and diverse low-income residents a range of community-based education programs. With forward-thinking leadership, ENH is committed to continuing its legacy of cost effective, award-winning programming. For more information, please visit [www.eriehouse.org](http://www.eriehouse.org).*

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