

# TRUE CHAMPIONS AREN'T JUST DEFINED BY WINS ON THE FIELD.

The Sports Philanthropy Project and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation announce the winners of the 2009 Steve Patterson Award for Excellence in Sports Philanthropy.



## The Red Sox Foundation

The goal of the Red Sox Foundation (RSF) is to channel the passion of Red Sox fans into positive change in the community. The RSF has grown into the largest professional sports charity in New England, donating over \$28 million since its inception in 2002.



## Marvin Lewis Community Fund

A model for coaches across all sports, the MLCF demonstrates that it is possible to run a successful community outreach program while coaching a winning team. The MLCF has donated over \$5 million and impacted nearly 250,000 individuals through its programs since its inception in 2003.



For over a decade SPP, funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF), has supported the growth of philanthropy through sports. In 2005, SPP and RWJF established the Steve Patterson Award for Excellence in Sports Philanthropy to acknowledge professional sports organizations and individuals who have made exceptional strides in serving the community and improving the lives of others. This year's winners will join an already impressive list of past champions which include: *the Philadelphia Eagles Youth Partnership (2005)*, *the Jacksonville Jaguars Foundation (2006)*, *the Memphis Grizzlies Charitable Foundation (2007)*, *The Moyer Foundation (2007)*, *the San Francisco Giants Community Fund (2008)* and *the Steve Nash Foundation (2008)*.

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