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Chris Crane is president and chief executive officer of Opportunity International. Since joining Opportunity in 2002, he has transformed the organization into a larger thinking and higher reaching organization. Under his leadership, Opportunity's revenues have grown at a 20 percent annual rate and the number of poor entrepreneurs served has grown by 31 percent annually. Opportunity is well positioned to reach its goal of serving 1 million entrepreneurs per year by 2007, and 2 million by 2010.

Chris previously served as president and chief executive officer of COMPS InfoSystems, Inc. in San Diego, Calif. until he sold the company in 2000. During his eight year tenure, COMPS grew from a small, print-based publishing firm covering commercial real estate sale information in four western states into an electronic database publisher with 420 employees and coverage of 50 of the top real estate markets nationwide. Chris oversaw the acquisition of 13 companies, raised four rounds of venture capital and led the company in an initial public offering. In 1998, COMPS was one of only two companies to receive the "Best Practices Award – Unleashing the Power of Technology" sponsored by the *San Diego Business Journal*, and in 1999, Chris was awarded the coveted Ernst & Young/*USA Today* "Entrepreneur of the Year" award in San Diego.

From 1988-1992, Chris served as group president and board member of Nitches, Inc., a clothing company in San Diego with \$150 million in annual sales and operations in 17 developing countries. Prior to that, Chris was vice president of corporate development of Oster Communications, Inc., an information publishing company operating in 16 countries, and was a partner of Graystone Capital, a venture capital firm in Denver, Colo.

Chris Crane is a tireless ambassador and champion for impoverished women and men, and his outreach to ministries is extensive. He served on the board of both Rosie Grier's Impact Urban America and Youth with a Mission, and has been on 30 mission trips to Mexico to build homes for the poor.

Chris earned a master of business administration from Harvard Business School, a bachelor of science summa cum laude in finance from Boston College and studied economics, art, and music for two years at the University of Vienna, Austria. Since 1990, he has been a member of the Young Presidents' Organization, a group of 8,500 company presidents in 60 countries.