



1st Quarter 2008 Recipients

\$138,681 awarded
25 grants

Alameda County Library Foundation (ACLF) – Alameda County

Libraries are an important part of our communities. Our funding makes it possible for ACLF to purchase all the technology, collections and furnishings needed to equip the state-of-the-art library that is being built in Castro Valley. The new library, slated to become a community hub, is due to open in 2009. Our contribution also sponsors ACLF's 2008 Summer Reading Program for Teens and Children, a fun detective game that helps children become avid readers.

www.aclf.org

ACOE Educational Partnerships Foundation – Alameda County

The Argus BOOK BUCK\$ Family Reading Program is seventeen, and so is our funding of this award-winning newspaper program and the fun-filled family DUCKS for BUCKS Benefit Race. Both programs support schools and nonprofits in the Fremont, Newark and Union City areas.

California BASS Anglers of the Silent Society (Cal BASS) – Alameda County

Cal BASS was founded in July 2005 to deliver educational resources, hands-on experience, and total communication for Deaf Youth. The organization started with a fishing program, which was the first of its kind in California. Our grant allows Cal BASS to purchase fishing rods and reels for the children to keep after attending its Deaf Youth Fishing Program.

www.calbass.org

Diablo Ballet – Contra Costa County

Diablo Ballet is an internationally recognized professional performing dance company committed to enriching, inspiring, enlightening, and educating children and adults through the art of dance. Our funding supports the company's acclaimed PEEK program, which brings performing arts education into local public schools, where at-risk students learn the creative process of movement and physical expression.

www.diabloballet.org

Diablo Light Opera Company (DLOC) – Contra Costa County

Founded in 1959, DLOC has become one of the county's most accomplished regional musical theatre organizations. In 1970, DLOC purchased an old firehouse, which presently serves as a rehearsal space, costume and set shop, and administrative headquarters. Our grant enables DLOC to purchase furniture and create a small workspace for its new educational coordinator.

www.dloc.org

Fremont Education Foundation (FEF) – Alameda County

Our funding supports FEF's three major programs, which benefit all of Fremont's public schools: the Innovative Education Grants for teachers to create exceptional classroom projects; the After-School Band Program for elementary students to receive free instrumental music instruction; and the Guy Emanuele Sports Scholarship Fund for high-school athletes requiring financial assistance to participate in FSUD's sports programs.

www.fremont-education.org

Irvington High School – Alameda County

Our contribution assists Irvington High School in its continuing efforts to offer an alcohol- and drug-free graduation night to its senior students, a safe alternative to unsupervised and sometimes tragic celebrations.

Juvenile Hall Auxiliary of Contra Costa County – *Contra Costa County*

The Betty Frandsen Library at the John A. Davis Juvenile Hall in Contra Costa County is a refuge for the incarcerated children during a difficult time in their lives. Our grant makes it possible for the Library to purchase much needed books and continue providing an outstanding service to its residents, while supporting the school curriculum.

Kidango, Inc. – *Alameda County*

For over 26 years, Kidango has offered part and full-day child care, child development and early intervention services to young children (ages 0 - 12 years) in Alameda, Santa Clara and San Francisco counties. The organization recently expanded its services to include early childhood mental health services to better meet the needs of children and low-income working families. Our funding supports Taster's Showcase, a fundraising event where the community is invited to enjoy food from some of the best local restaurants and caterers, sip fine wines and other beverages, and support the variety of programs provided by this local charity.

www.kidango.org

Martha's Village and Kitchen – *Riverside County*

Martha's Village and Kitchen started in a small kitchen in a church parish hall. Today, it is a thriving village with a comprehensive "continuum of care" program for homeless families. Our grant helps the organization fulfill upon its mission to feed the hungry, house the homeless, restore confidence and self-respect, teach necessary job skills, provide a safe haven, and instill a sense of responsibility.

www.marthavillage.org

Morning Star Outreach (MSO) – *All Counties*

For 30 years MSO has provided inner-city teenagers from the San Francisco Bay Area the opportunity to attend week-long camps free of charge. The organization seeks out middle-school aged youths living in environments of abuse, neglect and poverty. Our grant enables MSO to continue providing the free camperships, where counselors help these at-risk teenagers sort out their lives, heal, and establish healthy relationships with adults.

Moment by Moment – *All Counties*

Moment by Moment is a cooperative of professional photographers who provide portraits for families of children with a life-limiting illness. The organization offers its free services at all children's hospitals in Northern California, photographing upwards of 25 families per month in each institution. Our grant lets Moment by Moment continue to offer its portrait sessions free of charge, providing families with lasting memories of precious moments spent with their ill child.

www.momentbymoment.org

Music For Minors II – *Alameda County*

Our funding helped Music For Minors II celebrate its 20 years of providing weekly music lessons in singing, dance and instrumentation to more than 4,000 pre-school and elementary children in Fremont, Newark and Castro Valley school districts. Music For Minors II's curriculum is sequential and offers a variety of materials and methods to reach children. Docents prepare lessons and visual aids so that the youngsters will become totally involved in the music.

www.musicforminors2.org

Project Second Chance, Inc. (PSC) – *Contra Costa County*

PSC has been offering an Adult Literacy Program since 1984. Since then 2,900 volunteers have provided one-on-one basis reading and writing instructions to over 4,000 adult participants. The average reading level for students entering the program is third grade. Our grant gives PSC the necessary funds to continue its successful efforts in identifying and changing the lives of adult learners in the program.

www.ccclib.org

San Francisco Bay Area Council, Boy Scouts of America – All Counties

The San Francisco Bay Area Council, which includes San Francisco and most of Alameda County, is both the largest youth serving organization (more than 54,000 total members) and the most urban Boy Scout Council in Northern California. Our funding supports the council's Character Education Program, putting scouting within reach of at-risk youth in our most distressed neighborhoods.

www.sfbac.org

Senior Helpline Services – Contra Costa County

Our funding enables Senior Helpline Services to continue providing its Reassurance Phone Friends and Rides for Seniors programs to essentially homebound seniors residing in Contra Costa County. The services, which are provided free of charge, help seniors stay in their homes and avoid unnecessary institutionalization and premature death.

www.seniorhelpline.net

Sisters of the Holy Family – Alameda County

The Motherhouse Assisted Living Center for the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Family has been based in Fremont since 1949. There are 98 Sisters in the Congregation; the median age is 75. Two-thirds of them are now retired and living at the Motherhouse. The HVAC unit at the Center is deteriorating and a cause of serious health concern. Our grant makes it possible for the Congregation to install a new unit in the building, ensuring a healthier and safer living environment for the frail and elder Sisters who are cared for at the Motherhouse.

www.holyfamilysisters.org

Stephanie Marie Frazier Memorial Foundation – All Counties

The Foundation was founded in memory of Stephanie who lost her life in an automobile accident at the age of 20. Through its program, The Network of Care, the Foundation has helped over 22,000 families cope with the stress of an injured or ill child by being able to remain by their hospital bedside to help in their recovery. Our funding supports the program, which provides meal bags to parents at 35 hospitals, giving them comfort and strength to stay at the bedside of their suddenly hospitalized child.

www.thenetworkofcare.org

The CAUSE Foundation – All Counties

The CAUSE Foundation provides financial assistance to flight attendants and their families when faced with critical or terminal illness, injury, disability or death. Our grant supports the Emergency Assistance Fund for flight attendants based in the San Francisco Bay Area.

www.thecausefoundation.org

The Flying Doctors – All Counties

Our grant helped the San Jose-based organization purchase a circuit board needed to repair a mammogram machine in a medical clinic motorhome that it donated to a partner group in El Salvador. The motorhome is needed to provide free medical, optometric, dental and other health care services to the poor living in small, remote villages.

www.flyingdocs.org

Washington High School – Alameda County

Our funding supports Washington High School in its continuing efforts to host a safe, alcohol- and drug-free celebration for all of its graduating senior students.

Washington Hospital Healthcare Foundation – Alameda County

Washington Hospital has been providing healthcare services to the residents of Southern Alameda County for 50 years. Our contribution supports the Community Cultural Event featuring Rita Moreno. The evening benefits the Hospital's Stroke Response Program.

www.whhs.com