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**SLO County Community Foundation Fall Grants Total \$162,569**

*Funds Benefit a Wide Variety of Community Needs*

SAN LUIS OBISPO – The San Luis Obispo County Community Foundation (SLOCCF) is pleased to grant local nonprofit groups a total of \$162,569 this year. One unique aspect of this list of grant recipients is the diversity of needs represented—and subsequently met—through these grants.

“Through these grants, the foundation was able to help agencies purchase much-needed equipment, improve outreach and educational programs, and more,” said Janice Fong Wolf, director of programs and grants. “No matter what the grant amount, we know each agency will use the funds to help our community according to its mission and vision.”

Here is the list of organizations and the grant amounts each received:

- American Red Cross: \$4,500
- Assistance League of SLO County: \$5,000
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of SLO County: \$9,487
- Cal Poly Corporation on behalf of the Central Coast Performing Arts Center Commission: \$3,200
- Casa Solana: \$5,980
- Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children of SLO County: \$10,000
- Central Coast Commission for Senior Citizens: \$2,000
- Central Coast Natural History Association: \$9,655
- Children’s Health Initiative of SLO: \$9,000
- Community Counseling Center: \$7,500
- El Paso de Robles Pioneer Museum: \$10,000

- Environmental Center of SLO: \$7,500
- Friends of Hapitok: \$1,850
- Hospice of San Luis Obispo: \$5,000
- Nonprofit Support Center of Santa Barbara County: \$8,000
- Pacific Wildlife Care: \$5,500
- Partnership for the Children: \$10,000
- Peoples' Self Help Housing: \$5,000
- SLO AIDS Support Network: \$4,000
- SLO County Child Abuse Prevention Council: \$5,815
- SLO Legal Alternatives: \$6,600
- SLO Literacy Council: \$5,000
- Transitional Food & Shelter, Inc.: \$9,482
- Women's Shelter Program of San Luis Obispo: \$6,500
- Woods Humane Society: \$6,000

See attached list of organizations and their specific use for the grants.

This year's grantmaking program is made possible through the generous support of the Foundation's Community Endowment, and several donor funds including the Two Prime Factors Fund; Roberta D. Petrie Memorial Endowment; Allen and Susan Minker Endowment; Alva, Ernest, and William Righetti Fund for Seniors and People with Disabilities; Alfred & Diane Fritz Endowment; Helen & Ronald Dunin Memorial Endowment; Preventive Health Care Endowment; Everett "Taylor" Black II Memorial Fund, and Brenda Buchbinder Hock Endowment Fund.

In only eight years, the SLOCCF has grown their assets to over \$23 million, holds more than 180 funds and has given out more than \$7 million in grants to assist nonprofit agencies. For more information on the SLOCCF or any funds, call 543-2323 or log onto [www.slocf.org](http://www.slocf.org).

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