Community Service Association Newsletter

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Message from the CSA Board of Directors

In this month when we celebrate Thanksgiving, we would like to share excerpts from some of the thank-you letters sent by grant recipients to you, the CSA members.

From Alzheimer's Association, San Diego/Imperial Chapter:

"On behalf of the Alzheimer's Association San Diego/Imperial Chapter, I would like to thank the Community Service Association for the generous grant of \$1,200 made on November 19, 2013 for the printing and postage costs of Helpline Packets. Your gift makes a difference in the lives of the thousands of people and families in our community affected by Alzheimer's disease."

From The Arc of San Diego – John Towers:

"Thank you for your generous grant of \$1100 to The Arc of San Diego – John Towers. Your contribution provided two iPads and two stands. Our program participants of varying abilities and mobility will be able to use these as educational tools to help with color and shape recognition, simple math and basic spelling. They are also able to use the iPads to check the weather, learn to type, read the news and work on the John Towers newsletter."

From Boys & Girls Clubs of East County:

"On behalf of the Boys & Girls Clubs of East County, I would like to thank CSA for their funding of our grant request of \$2500. Your gift enabled the Clubs to purchase and install computers, monitors and software to use in our Tech Centers. These computers are used daily and get a lot of use...We are also working with our teens to extend their vision of their future in applying for jobs and schools. Very exciting and motivating!"

From California Ballet:

"Thank you for your generous grant of \$1000 to The California Ballet Company...Your sponsorship provided 200 tickets to our Preview/Final Dress Rehearsal of The Nutcracker in December 2013. Students were in attendance from SD City Schools Clay Elementary, Freese Elementary, SD Unified TRACE program, Warren Walker Elementary, and Valencia Park Elementary. It is sponsors like you that make it possible for us to continue to offer this program to the youth of our community."

From Casa de Amparo:

"On behalf of Casa de Amparo, thank you for the generous grant of \$1,000 in support of transportation expenses for residents in our child abuse prevention and treatment programs. Our ability to transport children to medical and clinical appointments is a fundamental component in our ability to provide treatment and recovery services for San Diego County children affected by abuse and neglect."

From Catholic Charities:

"We're thrilled to receive a CSA grant of \$800 to Rachel's Night Shelter for the purchase of toilet paper and laundry soap. Rachel's Night Shelter is a 35-bed emergency and short-term shelter for homeless women. Every night of the year women find safety, shelter, and a hot meal at Rachel's Night Shelter, as well as showers, laundry facilities, and life skills training."

From Classics 4 Kids:

"On behalf of Classics 4 Kids, we would like to thank you for the recent donation of \$700 in support of our program...Many of our region's youngsters have few opportunities to engage in the kind of creative experiences Classics 4 Kids offers, yet it is these experiences that will help shape their futures."

CSA Mission Statement

The Community Service Association of San Diego Unified School District is a nonprofit association organized to solicit contributions from district employees for recognized charitable agencies in San Diego County which support the arts, education, health, and human services.