



THE SAN DIEGO
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FOUNDATION



GRANTS FOCUS TOPIC: ECONOMIC AND EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT

January Enews

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WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBER

Marjorie O'Malley

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Leslie Hovey

Leslie Hovey is Senior Legal Counsel at Cricket Communications. Leslie has been a member since 2005 and has been active on the Membership Committee ever since. She joined the Board of Directors in 2006 as a Member at Large and moved to Membership Chair for 2007 and 2008. Leslie and her husband have two grown daughters and live downtown San Diego in a loft across the street from Petco Park. The family just returned from a cruise to Acapulco after Thanksgiving and are looking forward to skiing in Utah together in March.

COMMUNITY PARTNER INFORMATION

Saturday, January 31, 2009
Downtown El Cajon
January's Lend A Hand
Saturday Morning Clean-up!
9-11 am

Richfield and Palm Avenue El Cajon CDC will provide the cleaning tools; we need you to supply the elbow grease! San Diego E-waste will be collecting electronic waste. Morning refreshments will be provided. For more details call (619) 401-8858 or email christina@downtownelcajon.com

Saturday, January 31, 2009
Monarch School ~ 4th Annual
"Diamond in the Rough" Gala
6pm
Manchester Grand Hyatt

The Century Club's 4th Annual "Diamond in the Rough" Gala promises an elegant evening of cocktails, wine tasting, silent and live auctions, dinner, and live entertainment by comedian Frank Caliendo. This premier event benefits students at Monarch School, where San Diego's homeless and at-risk youth can improve their lives through education. For more information call 619-685-8242 x226.

Vista Community Clinic's Spring Fling
\$20 for adults; \$10 for children

SDWF ON AIR

SDWF was invited to share our story on SignOnRadio with Drew Schlosberg's U-T in the Community radio program. Linda Katz, Founding President and Tracy Johnson, Director were interviewed by Drew. Our interview then tagged onto a segment with Colleen Krause, SDWF member and Program Manager of International Rescue Committee (2006 Community Partner) to discuss how SDWF funding significantly impacted her program and the work being done with refugees. Interested in listening? Click [here](#) to access segments 1 and 2.

Tune in **January 29 at 4pm** as Tracy Johnson is interviewed by Susan Taylor on Channel 7 39. Our segment will highlight the work of the SDWF and the Power of Pooled Philanthropy.

SAVE THE DATES

Annual Members Meeting: Power of Pooled Philanthropy

January 26, 2009

Atkinson Pavilion - UCSD Faculty Club

5-8pm

You have never been to a SDWF event quite like this one and you do NOT want to miss it. In addition to being able to meet past and present members during the reception you are also invited to take part in our first Socrates Café where we will interact in small teams to explore the power of pooled resources. The idea behind the Socrates Café is that we learn more when we question, and question with others. Put this date on your calendar as our pooled resources mean more to our communities than ever! RSVP via the electronic invitation (Pingg).

Getting to Know SDWF

March 2, 2009

5:30-7:30pm

The San Diego Foundation Office (Liberty Station)

Please join us for "Getting to Know the San Diego Women's Foundation" to learn about who we are, what we do, and how you can become involved and meet other great women! Members and guests are welcome. This event will provide you with information about:

- Our exciting organization and SDWF's philosophy on philanthropy
- A snapshot of the impact we've had on the San Diego region
- The granting process
- How to be involved as much or as little as you want

We hope to see you for refreshments as we meet new friends and catch up with existing ones. RSVP via the electronic invitation (Pingg) coming in early February to your inbox or email Ciera@sdfoundation.org

For more information, call Jenny Jones at 760-631-5000 x 1418.

www.vistacommunityclinic.org

SPECIAL THANKS

SDWF would like to say a special thank you to Nancy Spector for recently hosting a wonderful neighborhood gathering. Her warm hospitality and the offering of her beautiful home provided a perfect venue for others to learn more about SDWF and connect with like-minded women.

PARTY WITH A PURPOSE

Our members celebrated the holiday season with a Holiday Party With a Purpose in December. Over 70 members gathered at Pam Hamilton Lester's home in Point Loma for warm hospitality, tasty hors d'oeuvres and holiday cheer to celebrate our friendship and accomplishments for the year. We also collected donations for our Community Partner, Alpha Project to support the early opening of Alpha Project's Homeless Shelter in downtown San Diego. Kyla Winters, Chief Development Officer at Alpha Project, and SDWF member in her own right, was on hand to educate us about the shelter and to collect our donations. In all, we collected over \$1400 in cash and scores of new and gently used bath towels—a special request of the shelter. The party was a great success and we benefitted Alpha Project as well. Thank you everyone!

GRANTS IMPLEMENTATION TEAM UPDATE

Our Grants Committee is working diligently at reviewing the grant proposals submitted by the non-profit organizations in San Diego for this year's 2008-2009 Economic & Employment Development grants focus area. On January 6th, members new (and some experienced) to the proposal review process participated in a training on the proposal review scoring process. Many thanks to Suzanne LaTour for providing an excellent training experience for members as well as for creating an online training version for our members experienced in the proposal review process.

The next step in the grants process is site visits. Site Visits will be conducted through the month of March, 2009. We extend our invitation to all to participate in this part of our grants process. If interested please notify [Ciera](#). If you are experienced in completing site visits, you will be able to complete your training online. If you are new to the process, mandatory Site Visit Training is February 10 from 12:00 - 1:30pm at Girl Scout Headquarters, 1231 Upas Street, San Diego.

Questions? Contact Rita Solberg, Grants Committee Chair, at ritasolberg@cox.net.

GRANTS DISCOVERY TEAM

Environment, Grant Cycle 2009-2010

After interviewing 50 community leaders/activists in the area of the Environment, the next step in the Discovery process is to convene community meetings in diverse regions of San Diego County. For January, the Discovery Team is busy scheduling and training teams to facilitate community meetings to be held throughout San Diego County in preparation for writing the 2009 Environment Grant Guidelines. The purpose of these meetings is to listen and learn what is most important to each community, to see if any common threads emerge, to get a sense of people's vision for their community and to hear their community priorities concerning the environment. This information will help us to narrow our focus and develop grant guidelines that will result in projects with the greatest potential for impact.

The following working definition for the Environment Discovery Team will be used during the community meetings: "Environmental Action: Actions that promote the awareness, appreciation, health, and sustainable use of San Diego County's natural resources - including air, water, land, climate, topography, biology, and ecology - for the benefit of all"

Next Discovery Team Meeting:

Wednesday, February 11, 2009 1:45 - 4:15pm
San Diego Foundation Office

ADDITIONAL PHILANTHROPIC OPPORTUNITIES

SAN DIEGO GRANTMAKERS

"Drowning in Paperwork? Streamline!" Thursday, January 22, 2009

Most grantmakers spend considerable time thinking about how they can be most effective, yet the grantmaking process is rife with inefficiencies. How can we streamline application and reporting practices? Project Streamline is a collaboration between eight prominent organizations representing grantmakers and grantseekers, including SDG. The report *Drowning in Paperwork, Distracted from Purpose* examines the impact of grant application and reporting requirements and makes recommendations for how these practices can be streamlined. Join us for this conversation about the report's findings and how they can improve your own organization's practices.

TIME: 8:30-10:30 AM LOCATION: Kids Included Together 2820
Roosevelt Rd., Suite 202, San Diego 92106
RSVP: programs@SDGrantmakers.org or call 619-744-2180

Strategic Restructuring for Nonprofit Organizations Thursday, February 5, 2009

San Diego Grantmakers is so pleased to be welcoming David La Piana to town. His work in strategic restructuring for nonprofits is nationally

tied to the current economic challenges faced by nonprofits and how they can collaborate with each other in a way that continues to serve their constituencies but maximizes efficiencies. The 2-hour afternoon funder workshop will be an in-depth discussion about what funders can do to help. In the morning, a 3-hour workshop will be offered to nonprofits.

TIME: Morning: 8:30 - 11:30 AM Program for nonprofits

Luncheon: 12:00 - 1:30 PM Presentation for funders and donors: a comprehensive overview of strategic restructuring

Afternoon: 2:00 – 4:00 PM Workshop for funders and donors: including informal discussion

LOCATION: NTC Promenade Command Center 2640 Historic Decatur Rd, San Diego 92106

RSVP: programs@sdgrantmakers.org by February 2

For more information www.sdgrantmakers.org

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