

May 2008



Grants Focus Topic: Civil Society

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WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Rosemary Straley
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SAVE THE DATES

SDWF's Annual Grants Celebration
Open to EVERYONE!
Tuesday, June 3, 2008; 5:30-8:30pm
Joe & Vi Jacobs Center

Market Creek Plaza
404 Euclid Ave.
San Diego, CA 92114

For the San Diego Women's Foundation this is a night of nights when everything comes together - friends, community and the spirit of giving.

Join us and be inspired as we:

The San Diego Women's Foundation Community Partners

Wednesday, May 28, 2008
Planned Parenthood 45th Anniversary Dinner

5:30-9pm

San Diego Convention Center

Featured Speaker: Kathy Najimy-
Award-winning Actress & Activist
Contact Rachel

rbrammer@planned.org, (619)
881-5012 or www.planned.org for
details.

Saturday, May 31, 2008
Downtown El Cajon:

A Toast to Music

5-8pm

Show your support for Downtown
El Cajon by coming to El Cajon
CDC's 7th annual fundraiser "A
Toast to Music." For details visit
www.downtownelcajon.com

Wednesday, June 18, 2008
**International Rescue
Committee**

World Refugee Day Luncheon
11am-1pm

Join us to commemorate World
Refugee Day and visit IRC's First
Things First family learning
center, an educational program
assisting refugees from Burma,
Burundi, Congo, Eritrea, and
Somali. \$15/per guest for the
African Lunch. Contact Colleen

- * Celebrate the progress of the Health and Human Services projects funded in 2007
- * Learn about the new Civil Society projects being funded in 2008
- * Meet and mingle with our Community Partners
- * Connect with old friends & make some new

All this, while enjoying special entertainment, food reflecting our diverse culture and a unique showcase for our program. How often do you get a chance to be somewhere in the exact moment that wishes are granted and a community is changed forever for the better?

Don't miss this special evening! RSVP via the Evite sent to your inbox or email Ciera@sdfoundation.org.

Remember if you are not receiving the Evites or they keep winding up in your spam folder, go to

www.evite.com and register your email. That will limit that problem for you and ensure that you are invited to all that SDWF has to offer. Don't hesitate to call the office or email ciera@sdfoundation.org if you need assistance. We would be happy to help.

Grants Discovery Team Update

Economic Development- working definition- *"retaining and expanding work opportunities that provide a living wage and upward mobility; educating, training, and empowering potential workers to take advantage of these opportunities; and leveraging the greater economic good of the San Diego region."*

The Discovery Team for the 2009 Grant Cycle, Economic Development and Employment, has facilitated four community meetings around the San Diego region. These meetings were held to seek input from trusted leaders in several different neighborhoods to learn what is important to each group. The next step will be to analyze the data gleaned during these meetings, to identify common priorities and themes and to get a sense of people's vision for their community. This information will help to narrow our grant focus and develop guidelines which will result in projects with the greatest potential for impact.

We would like to express our appreciation to the following people and organizations for their help in scheduling and hosting our community meetings:

Krause at (619) 641-7510 x242 or Colleen.Krause@theIRC.org to RSVP. Space is limited.

Friday, July 18, 2008 Alpha Project's 17th Annual Charity Golf Classic

11am registration; 12:30pm
shotgun start

Coronado Golf Course

\$210-800 for a foursome includes
lunch, cart, green fees, dinner,
and silent auction.

For details contact Kyla Winters at
(619) 542-1877 or
kyla@alphaproject.org.

Opening June 21-Aug 31 The AJA Project and the New Americans and Immigration Museum Present:

"A Contemporary Story:
Perspectives by Immigrant and
Refugee Artists" at NTC. This
exhibit is a pictorial representation
of immigrant and refugee artists
in San Diego. For more details
contact Sandra Ainslie at (619)
223-7001.

June 23-July 18 La Jolla Playhouse Young Performance Workshop (YPW)

2910 La Jolla Village Dr.

La Jolla, CA 92037

For students entering grades 2-
12. Giving children the chance to
explore, take risks and act out
loud. In these workshops, expert
teaching artists inspire the voices
of young actors and provide a
safe place for young performers to
reach for the stars.

For details call (858) 550-1070
x101 or visit

www.lajollaplayhouse.org/ypw

1. Carolyn Smith, Southeast San Diego EDC
2. Deanna Weeks and Jo Marie Diamond, East County EDC
3. Gary Knight, North County EDC
4. Cindy Gomper Graves, South County EDC

Stay tuned for more updates as we continue this discovery process for our 2008-2009 grants focus.

Philanthropic Learning Opportunity

SD Grantmakers invites SDWF members to: Role of Advocacy in Grantmaking June 3, 2008

2-4pm

Junior Achievement of San Diego and Imperial Counties
4756 Mission Gorge Place
San Diego, CA 92120

Facilitators: **Nayantara Mehta**, Attorney Trainer and
Melissa Mikesell, Senior Counsel, Alliance for Justice's
West Coast Office

Join San Diego Grantmakers at a unique training opportunity with Alliance for Justice (AFJ), *Role of Advocacy in Grantmaking*, on developing and increasing understanding of issues and laws related to advocacy and grantmaking. There is widespread recognition in the field of philanthropy today that one of the best ways to leverage dollars and create change in systems is to add advocacy and public policy work to the grantmaker "tool box."

Come learn why advocacy is important to philanthropy, what you can and cannot do in this arena, and to know when you are making a difference.

The workshop will cover:

- Overview of the activities that constitute advocacy and why foundation support for advocacy is important.
- Review of the federal rules governing advocacy, types of activities foundations may legally fund, and those they may do themselves.
- Relevant California and San Diego regulations that affect local and regional advocacy.
- Strategies for building grantees' advocacy capacity and evaluation for advocacy grants.

To RSVP, call (619) 744-2180 or email:
programs@sdgrantmakers.org

Tuesday, July 1, 2008

**La Jolla Playhouse presents
*The Night Watcher***

Mandell Weiss Forum

2910 La Jolla Village Dr.

La Jolla, CA 92039

Written and starring the award-winning actor and playwright Charlayne Woodard, *The Night Watcher* is a magical, crazy, funny ride chronicling a loving mentor and the delightful touching stories of her kids greatest fears and personal triumphs. For details visit

www.lajollaplayhouse.org



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