

**THE
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WOMEN'S
FOUNDATION**

Engaging women in significant philanthropy

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**San Diego Women's Foundation to Present \$223,000 to Five
New Community Partners During Grants Celebration
at Market Creek Plaza**

Organizations will use funds to support young people in vulnerable communities

San Diego – May 29, 2008 – The San Diego Women's Foundation will award \$223,000 to five new community partners at its annual Grants Celebration on June 3 at the Joe and Vi Jacobs Center at Market Creek Plaza. More than 250 people are expected to attend the community-wide celebration.

This year's awardees, now regarded as community partners, are: Barrio Logan College Institute, \$60,000 for "Brighter Futures Youth Collaborative"; Kids Korps USA, \$25,000 for "Engaging City Heights Youth in Volunteer Service Activities"; SAY San Diego, \$52,000 for "Project L.I.V.E."; Tariq Khamisa Foundation, \$36,000 for "Peace Empowerment Project – Middle School Leaders and Peacebuilders"; and Vista Community Clinic, \$50,000 for "Project REACH."

These grants mark the eighth year of granting for the SDWF. "In the short history of this organization, we have accomplished so much," said SDWF President Carol Chang. "We have educated and inspired many women to be savvy philanthropists, we have given broadly and diversely to the San Diego community and we have created a real legacy of dollars, effort and energy to sustain us into the next decade and beyond. It is truly humbling and awe-inspiring to be a part of this dynamic operation."

Each year the San Diego Women's Foundation enters a process of review for grants in specific interest areas, which include Arts and Culture, Civil Society, Economic and Employment Development, Education, Health and Human Services, and Environment. SDWF's upcoming focus will be Economic Development and Employment with a narrowed field that is yet to be determined.

About the San Diego Women's Foundation

The San Diego Women's Foundation was established in 2000. SDWF's mission is to educate and inspire women to engage in significant and sustainable philanthropy in the San Diego region. Made up of 260 members who contribute \$2,000 each year for a minimum of five years, the SDWF has granted \$1,542,000 to 45 non-profit community

partners since its inception and created an endowment of \$1.78 million. For more information, please visit www.sdwomensfoundation.org or call (619) 235-2300.

About Joe and Vi Jacobs Center at Market Creek Plaza

The new Joe and Vi Jacobs Center is a \$23.5 million, three-story, 75,000-square foot building at the heart of The Village at Market Creek, where community teams are transforming 60 acres of formerly blighted land into a vibrant multicultural village. For more information visit www.jacobscenter.org.

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