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**RANCHO SANTA FE FOUNDATION**

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Of all the things that the Rancho Santa Fe Foundation does in the community, certainly the grants we make to local non-profits are the activities of which we are the most proud. These grants are made from **discretionary funds**, held at the Foundation, and serve as examples of local philanthropy made possible by those who have lived in our community. The nature of these grants changes on an annual basis, based on current need. They are awarded by the Foundation as a result of our knowledge of local and regional programs and needs and our work with our non-profit partners.

Those receiving funds from the Spring 2006 grants cycle are:

<b>Boy Scouts of America – Desert Pacific Council</b>	Hoover Fund	\$10,000
Purchase ocean kayaks and outboard motors		
<b>Community Concerts of Rancho Santa Fe</b>	Wilpan Fund	\$ 1,000
Underwriting for 2006-2007 season		
<b>Helen Woodward Animal Center</b>	Wilpan Fund	\$ 2,500
Therapeutic Riding Program		
<b>Kids Korps USA</b>	Wilpan Fund	\$ 2,500
Underwriting Youth Volunteer Summer Camp		
<b>RSF Art Guild</b>	Wilpan Fund	\$ 2,500
Underwriting Gallery Reception mailers		
<b>RSF Community Center</b>	Mary V. Paul Fund	\$ 2,000
Assist purchase of up-graded financial software		
<b>RSF Community School Endowment</b>	Hoover Fund	\$10,000
Scholars Circle Sponsor 2006		
<b>RSF Garden Club</b>	Howard Fund	\$ 7,525
Purchase new refrigeration equipment		
<b>RSF Historical Society</b>	Mary V. Paul Fund	\$ 5,000
Support for Phase I Archival Project		
<b>RSF Library Guild</b>		
Maintenance Whitehead Garden	Mowery Fund	\$ 500
Summer Reading Program	Mary V. Paul Fund	\$ 2,500
<b>San Diego Symphony Foundation</b>	General Endowment	\$ 1,409
Underwriting Endowment Event		
<b>Torrey Pines High School Foundation</b>	Monge Fund	\$ 2,500
Purchase graphing calculators		

Fall 2006 grants will be announced in December.

As the Rancho Santa Fe Foundation continues to grow, our Grants & Projects Committee is focusing on how we can make our grants larger and more impactful. In moving this strategy forward, we will continue to work with our non-profit partners on ways that they can increase the size of their own endowments, thus becoming less reliant on other funders to support the operational and program needs of their organizations. In addition, we will continue to seek new opportunities to collaborate with others in the community as we reach out beyond the boundaries of the Ranch. Collaborations such as those with San Pasqual Academy, the American Red Cross – Katrina relief – and San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy have proven to be effective and efficient projects that involve many in our community.

**The RANCHO SANTA FE FOUNDATION** promotes philanthropy by

- Assisting donors to build assets for their chosen charitable purposes;
- Enhancing the awareness of ways to give purposefully;
- Exploring and evaluating local and regional charitable needs;
- Building endowments for charitable organizations.