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**RANCHO SANTA FE FOUNDATION**

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The Annual Board Meeting and Dinner for the Foundation were held at The Inn on Wednesday November 15<sup>th</sup>. It happened that National Philanthropy Day was also on the same day, and thus the Board of Directors was able to celebrate its successes this year along with the more than 700 community foundations across the country.

Chairman Greg Hillgren shared some of the accomplishments of the Foundation with the Directors and their guests at dinner that evening, which is hosted by The Inn at Rancho Santa Fe. Impressive was the fact that in the last seven years, nearly \$4.2 million in philanthropy has transpired through the Foundation. This number is the result of charitable gifts into the Foundation and charitable grants out of the Foundation; all of which contribute to the philanthropic assistance that our donors and non-profit organizations provide to the community at large.

The personal accomplishments of two of the Directors were also recognized. Murray Hutchison and John Seiber will be retiring from the board at the end of the year, each having served nine years as a Director. Mr. Hillgren acknowledged the generosity of both men through the gift of time and expertise which has been directly responsible for the growth of the Foundation during their tenure. Mr. Hutchison has served on the Executive Committee and the Audit Committee. Mr. Seiber is a Past Chairman and has served as the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

**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.