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### **Jewish Community Foundation Hosts Third Annual Philanthropy Camp**

Ten young philanthropists participated this summer in the Jewish Community Foundation's (JCF) third annual Youth Philanthropy Camp, allocating a total of \$12,500 to various nonprofits throughout the community. These dollars were contributed by camp participants and matched by JCF donors.

The nonprofits to which the campers awarded grants to:

- Anti-Defamation League
- A Reason to Survive (A.R.T.S.)
- Birthright Israel Foundation
- Helen Woodward Animal Center
- Interfaith Community Services
- Jacobs Center for Neighborhood Innovation, Jacobs Teen Center
- Jewish Family Service of San Diego, Hand Up Youth Food Pantry
- Promises2Kids
- San Diego Jewish Community Economic Recovery Fund
- Second Chance

"The students were outstanding! I kept having to remind myself that they were only in high school. They asked extremely articulate questions and seemed very engaged," said senior executive at one of the nonprofits the camp visited.

"I ended up having a blast at Tikkun Olam Camp. There are so many amazing nonprofits in San Diego. The most difficult part was deciding how much to give to each organization because they all deserve it," said Tikkun Olam Camper.

Tikkun Olam Camp is a one-week day camp for high school students which provides a special opportunity for teens (ages 14 to 18) to learn about needs in both the Jewish and general communities while earning service hours and building friendships. Teens explore Jewish values related to giving, identify charitable priorities and interests, and attend site visits to local nonprofits to evaluate the organizations' effectiveness. The students also participate in multiple volunteer projects and interact with community leaders and philanthropists throughout the week.

"The camp was so great. I wish it had been two weeks! Teaching philanthropy at such a young age is so important. These kids are our future. I hope Tikkun Olam Camp was just the beginning of my son's involvement in charitable giving," said parent of Tikkun Olam Camper.

For more information about Tikkun Olam Camp, visit our Web site at [www.jcfsandiego.org/Default.aspx?tabid=289](http://www.jcfsandiego.org/Default.aspx?tabid=289), e-mail [jamie@jcfsandiego.org](mailto:jamie@jcfsandiego.org) or call 858-279-2740.

***About the Jewish Community Foundation of San Diego:***

Since 1967, the Jewish Community Foundation has partnered with individuals, families and community organizations to help them achieve their philanthropic goals and to increase current and future support for a vibrant and secure Jewish community in San Diego, Israel and around the world.

During fiscal year 2008-09, the Foundation awarded and facilitated nearly \$60 million in 5,000 grants to more than 1,000 Jewish and general organizations in San Diego, the United States and Israel. Visit the Jewish Community Foundation at [www.jcfsandiego.org](http://www.jcfsandiego.org) or call 858-279-2740.

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