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Tikkun Olam Campers Award Grants to Local Nonprofits

Eight exceptional high school students reunited at the Jewish Community Foundation in October to present \$3,000 in grant checks to eight community organizations. The students are alumni of the Foundation's Tikkun Olam Camp 2007, one of the first philanthropy camps in the nation.

Last summer, the eight campers engaged in site visits and volunteer opportunities at San Diego nonprofits. Tikkun Olam Camp encouraged participants ages 14-18 to become philanthropists by empowering them with skills to donate effectively. The program culminated in campers allocating funds that they contributed and that were matched by the Foundation's Community Youth Foundation (CYF) donors.

"Even as a kid you can learn to be a philanthropist and give back to the community," said one camper. "I learned the financial and philanthropic sides of community service and how to gauge an organization's competence and efficiency," said another camper.

In camp evaluations, all participants said they now know more about nonprofits, are more aware about the needs in the community, and are more interested in philanthropy and volunteering.

"My daughter loved the camp and, most importantly, I think she got a lot out of it that will help make her a better citizen overall," said a parent.



Tikkun Olam Campers: (l to r) Stephen Levin; Jacob Teal; Dylan Bailey; Jamie Levine; Esther Stewart; Joel Cowen; Rachel Wangersheim; and Atara Jaffe



Campers Jacob Teal, left, and Atara Jaffe, right, present Anti-Defamation League (ADL) Executive Director Morris Casuto and ADL Board Chair Lorne Polger with the ADL grant check.

The nonprofits to which the campers awarded grants are: Anti-Defamation League; Educational Enrichment Systems; Hillel of San Diego; I Love A Clean San Diego County; Jewish Family Service of San Diego; San Diego Museum of Man; Second Chance; and United Jewish Federation of San Diego County.

To honor the awarded organizations, Foundation Board members, CYF donors, Grants Committee members, campers and their parents attended the ceremony to support these San Diego nonprofits as they accepted grant checks from the participants.

Please contact Marissa Garfield, Director of the Community Youth Foundation, at marissa@jcfsandiego.org with questions about Tikkun Olam Camp.

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Ask a Friend to Open a Donor Advised Fund

Year-end is a great time to open a donor advised fund at the Jewish Community Foundation:

- Receive a current 2007 charitable tax deduction
- Simplify administration and record-keeping
- Join a network of givers
- Improve the Jewish and general community
- Establish a fund with a minimum \$1,800 contribution

For more information, contact Associate Director Charlene Seidle at 858.279.2740.

Welcome New Staff

Jeremiah Sacksteder, Controller, joined the Foundation from Crowe Chizek and Company LLC, the eighth largest public accounting firm in the country, where he managed the audits of nonprofit organizations and privately held for-profit corporations.



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To promote philanthropy through meaningful partnerships with donors and community organizations in achieving charitable goals

To increase current and future support for a vibrant and secure Jewish and general community in San Diego, Israel and around the world.



Has Your IRA Grown Beyond Your Needs?

Consider This Simple, Easy Way to Make a Gift to Charity:

If you're over 70.5 years old, the Pension Protection Act of 2006 (PPA) permits the rollover of up to \$100,000 from an IRA directly to a qualifying charity without recognizing the transfer as income. The transfer counts toward the minimum annual distribution requirement. Appropriate beneficiaries include restricted endowment funds or the Foundation's Jewish Community Endowment. (The Act does not allow individuals to rollover funds to a donor advised fund, supporting foundation or to a private foundation.)

This could be a wonderful opportunity to make capital gifts, create endowments and prepay multi-year commitments to charitable organizations. The Pension Protection Act opportunity lasts only through 2007, so we encourage you to consult with your advisor as soon as possible to determine if this opportunity is right for you.



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