

# SALINAS ROTARY CLUB charitable fund report

2009 - 2011



## Imagine the impact \$135,133 can make in the community.

Each year, members of our Rotary Club give generously and work hard to raise funds that provide education and job training, promote peace and address needs in our local and international community. The majority of the funds we raise come from recognitions/fines, individual donations from members and our special event, Pigs & Pinot.

The board of the Salinas Rotary Club Charitable Fund, led by the club's president-elect and made up of fellow Rotarians, reviews worthy programs and projects in our community and makes donations to deserving organizations. The charitable fund and the board of directors work closely together.

It is a pleasure to report to you the accomplishments and good work that the Rotary Club of Salinas has supported during the past two years – 2009-2010 and 2010-2011.

As members of the Rotary Club of Salinas, we should be proud of all that we do to build a stronger community. I am thankful for your generous support.

*Dan Ortega*

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President



# International Project in Lima, Peru

**VALUE OF GIFT: \$66,172**

15 Salinas High School Interact Club students and 15 Salinas Rotarians traveled to Lima, Peru to build a community sports area so that children can play without getting glass in their feet and construct a retaining wall to keep the sand dune from advancing over the area.

They were excited to help create a safe place for children to play near their homes. It is also exciting that youth were helping youth. The Salinas High School Interactors were working as part of the team and they were interacting with the children who will get to play on the sports court they built. It was a wonderful cultural exchange.

The combined Interact/Rotary group came together to live out the Rotary motto of Service Above Self. Group members gave up precious vacation time, paid their own way and flew to another country to lead by example. The Rotary Club of Salinas provided the seed money needed to pay for the hard costs of this project.



# CSUMB Pay it Forward Scholarship program

**VALUE OF GIFT: \$20,000**

The Pay It Forward program goes beyond the traditional arms-length transaction of providing deserving students with financial assistance for higher education. Pay It Forward fosters an ongoing, mutually accountable relationship between recipients and leader-mentors. Students are not merely asked for something in return for the support they receive. They are required to “pay it forward” by providing their own service to youngsters through a partnership with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Monterey County. The goal is to develop confident and enthusiastic young people who gain both the means to complete their education and the tools to make their own contribution to others while growing immeasurably as individuals.

Each student chosen to participate in Pay It Forward receives up to \$5,000 per year for no more than four years to attend CSUMB. Our donation will support one student for four years.



# Salinas High School Interact Club

## VALUE OF GIFT: *priceless*

The purpose of the Salinas High School Interact Club is to help youth develop leadership skills, personal integrity, demonstrate helpfulness, respect for others, understand the value of individual responsibility, hard work and advance international understanding and goodwill. The highlight of their year was a trip to Peru in December to help build a community sports area. Students also learned a great deal from their volunteer experiences at Dorothy's Kitchen. Our support of the Interact Club enabled more than 40 youth to make a significant impact during the 2010-2011 school year.



## INTERACT MEMBERS:

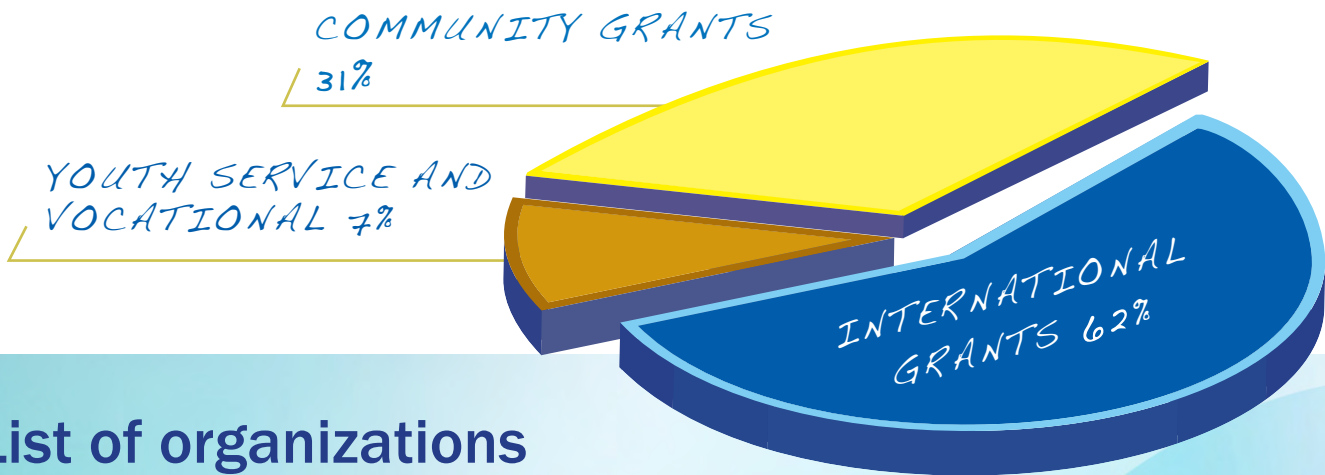
- *Cooked dinner for the homeless at Dorothy's Kitchen monthly during the school year*
- *Traveled to Peru to help create a safe place for children to play near their homes*
- *Gave 115 volunteer hours to supervise children at the Kids Zone at the California International Airshow*
- *Raised nearly \$500 for Polio Plus by collecting donations on Halloween using trick or treat for UNICEF and Polio Plus milk cartons*
- *Created welcome baskets for women in the shelter at Dorothy's kitchen for Valentine's Day*
- *Adopted two rooms at Dorothy's Kitchen to refurbish for habitation by the clients they serve*
- *Distributed holiday gifts to more than 200 children from low-income families in Salinas*



# Salinas Rotary Grants 2009-2010 & 2010-2011



	<u>2009-2010</u>	<u>2010-2011</u>
Community Grants	\$83,347	\$42,136
Youth Service and Vocational	\$17,127	\$9,875
International Grants	\$23,869	\$83,121
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$124,343</b>	<b>\$135,133</b>



## List of organizations which received funds from Rotary

### *Organizations Receiving Rotary Charitable Funds in 2010-2011*

Boy Scouts of America	Mt. Toro High School	Relay for Life	Salvation Army Kettle Drive
California International Airshow	-BBQ	Salinas High School	Service League Lifeline
California Rodeo Salinas	-Student of the Month/Year	-5th Quarter	Shelter Box for Japan
Camp Royal	Pay It Forward	-Career Days	VNA Community Service
Group Study Exchange	Peru Project	-Interact Club	
Holiday Parade of Lights	Mammogram for Guanajuato	-Music Program	
Los Palos Pediatric Clinic	Polio Plus	-Student of the Month/Year	
Mira Flores Rotary Club	Rancho Cielo	Salinas Valley Half Marathon	

### *Organizations Receiving Rotary Charitable Funds in 2009-2010*

California International Airshow	National Steinbeck Center	Salinas Valley Half Marathon
California Rodeo Salinas	Polio Plus	Salvation Army Kettle Drive
Camp Royal	Relay for Life	Strengthening Families Program
Holiday Parade of Lights	Salinas High School	Sun Street Centers
Los Herreras School	-5th Quarter	VNA Community Service
Mt. Toro High School	-Interact Club	
-BBQ	-Music Program	
-Student of the Month/Year	-Student of the Month/Year	