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United Way Announces New Grant Opportunity for Youth

San Luis Obispo, Calif. – The United Way of San Luis Obispo County (UWSLO) Youth Board has three \$1,000 grants available to local youth. Individuals and groups are encouraged to create projects that have a positive impact on youth (up to age 19), and incorporate some youth development principles, such as the 40 Developmental Assets.

Strong projects are creative and realistic, and primarily benefit youth in the community, not just the project planners. Student-submitted applications must have an adult advisor, and a sponsoring organization to act as fiscal agent.

A workbook for youth grant seekers is available to assist youth in preparing to apply. The workbook, along with the guidelines and application, are available on the United Way SLO website at www.unitedwayslo.org. Applications are due to the United Way office by 4:00 p.m. on April 24, 2009.

Grant applications will be evaluated and selected for funding by members of the 2008-2009 Youth Board. This group of high school students seeks to increase philanthropy and leadership in San Luis Obispo County youth, improve programs to better serve our community, and promote positive relationships between youth and adults.

United Way of SLO County is an independent, nonprofit organization governed by a board of volunteers. It is affiliated by membership with United Way of America and strives to build a stronger, healthier, more compassionate community through investing in programs serving education, income and health.

For more information about United Way of SLO County, the Youth Board program, or the Youth Grant, email youthboard@unitedwayslo.org, visit www.unitedwayslo.org or call (805) 541-1234.

Photo: Youth Board members Live United. From left to right, Nicole Kingsley, Emily Kraus, Amber Mahmood, James Teaford, Nick Teaford, Jessica Burke, Anna Costello, Garrett Bych, and Julian Capen.

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