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San Luis Obispo County



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High School Students Offer Grants for Youth

San Luis Obispo, CA – The United Way of San Luis Obispo County Youth Board is proud to announce its members for the 2010-2011 year. The board has set a record breaking year, with 33 members hailing from Arroyo Grande to Paso Robles, attending six area high schools. 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.

Members of the 2010-2011 Youth Board are: Allison Warren, Anna Costello, Ben Lowerison, Brendan Bych, Brendan Byrne, Connor Whiteford, David Tompkins, Elizabeth Cruz Trujillo, Emily Kraus, Emma Phillips, Gaylin Bryars, Jeremy Costello, Jessica Burke, Joanne Crandall, JohnAugust Bridgeford, Jordan Garcia, Kaley Mae Hook, Karaline Bridgeford, Kathleen Uyttewaal, Kelsey Harper, Leeza Green, Madalyn Hosick, Madhuri Panchal, Marissa Bych, Nancy Toledo, Nick Teaford, Nicole Kingsley, Sara Hall, Sami Bagby, Spencer Yeo, Tucker Marsano, Vanessa Alarcon, and Will Coughlin.

As part of their philanthropic work, the Youth Board will award three \$1,000 grants to local youth driven programs. 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. Student-submitted applications must have an adult advisor, and a sponsoring organization to act as fiscal agent.

A workbook for grant seekers is available with step-by-step instructions to assist youth in preparing to apply. The workbook, along with the guidelines and application, are available on the United Way website at www.unitedwayslo.org. Applications are due to the United Way office by 4:00 p.m. on December 8, 2010. Grant applications will be peer evaluated by the Youth Board.

For more information about United Way of SLO County, the Youth Board program, or the Youth Grant program, email youthboard@unitedwayslo.org, visit www.unitedwayslo.org, call (805) 541-1234, or find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/unitedwayslo.

Photo: Members of the United Way Youth Board at a Fall 2010 meeting.

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