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**Bainbridge Community Foundation Surpasses \$100,000 in
Annual Community Grant Awards to Local Nonprofits**

Bainbridge Island, WA. The Bainbridge Community Foundation is pleased to award 30 grants to local non-profit organizations for its 2010 Annual Community Grants program. It is a record-breaking year for the Foundation, awarding grants totaling over \$100,000 in a single year for the first time in its history.

After six years of conducting the Annual Community Grants cycle, the Foundation continues to see a critical need for non-profit financial support in the community. Compared to the 2009 cycle, which experienced an unprecedented increase in numbers due to the recession, the 2010 program experienced a similar increase in demand for funding as well:

- 36% increase in initial requests received, from 44 in 2009 to 60 in 2010
- 61% increase in total funding requested, from \$285,000 in 2009 to nearly \$460,000 in 2010
- Nearly a 10% increase in total dollars granted by the Foundation
- A record dollar amount was awarded, from \$91,700 in 2009 to over \$100,000 this year
 - A record amount granted from the Bainbridge Fund (\$35,000/8% increase)
 - A record amount granted from donor-advised funds (\$58,500/14% increase)
 - A record amount donated in matching dollars from other donors (\$4,450/10% increase)
 - An in-kind donation of a new computer from an anonymous donor (\$2,400; new this year)
- Over \$450,000 has been awarded through the Annual Community Grants cycle in only 6 years

The Bainbridge Community Foundation Introduces the Trustees Award

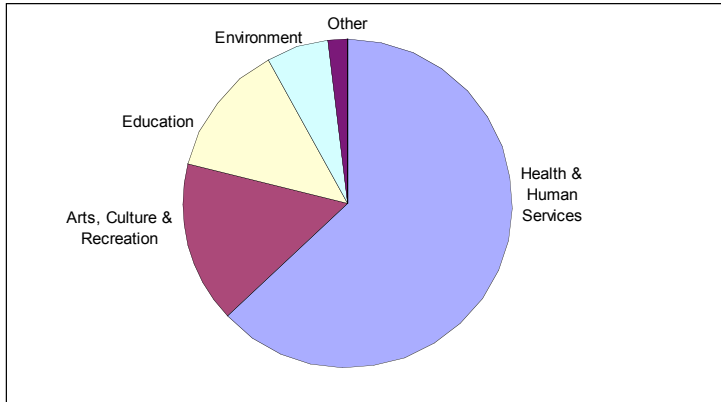
As a way to further support cross-agency collaboration and shared efficiency among organizations, the Foundation established a new award as part of this year's Annual Community Grant cycle: The Bainbridge Community Foundation Trustees Award.

This award is funded by donations from the BCF board, staff and volunteers. The grant is awarded to the proposal that exemplifies a cross-agency approach to a particular need in the community. This year's award of \$3450 is granted to the Health, Housing & Human Services Council for training workshops that will help over a dozen Bainbridge non-profit agencies.

Support for All Facets and Categories of Non-Profit Organizations

The 2010 grants were awarded to a wide range of organizations, all providing essential services and support to our community's residents. With the recession still having a deep impact on our community, the highest percentage of funding support went to social services. However, a higher percentage of grants were made this year to the Arts, Culture & Recreation category over last year. Following is a summary of the funding split for 2010:

2010 Annual Community Grant Awards by Category



Health & Human Services: 62%
Arts, Culture & Recreation: 16%
Education: 14%
Environment: 6%
Other: 2%

Unfortunately, over \$300,000 in grant requests were not funded this year, so the Foundation hopes that others in the community will be inspired to participate in community philanthropy through BCF’s Annual Grants Cycle.

For more information about the Bainbridge Community Foundation’s grant-making programs, to donate to the Bainbridge Community Foundation, or to find out how you can start a fund to benefit the community, visit the Foundation’s website at www.bainbridgecommunityfoundation.org or contact them by phone at (206) 842-0433.

Bainbridge Community Foundation 2010 Annual Community Grant Awards

- Bainbridge Arts & Crafts: \$1,850 to purchase new computers and a printer
- Bainbridge Island Arts & Humanities Council: \$1,850 to fund website redesign
- Bainbridge Island Child Care Centers: \$3,400 to support summer camp staff for special needs children
- Bainbridge Island Historical Society: \$4,100 to fund the scanning of documents for archiving access
- Bainbridge Island Land Trust: \$1,000 for Student Conservation Corps pilot program
- Bainbridge Performing Arts: \$3,900 towards salary for Front-of-House manager and online ticket system
- Bainbridge Public Library: \$3,750 for improving safety access at entry doors
- Bainbridge Schools Foundation: \$10,000 to fund remedial reading program
- Bainbridge Schools Foundation: \$1,000 to support Wings program for autistic children
- Boys & Girls Club: \$4,000 to fund staffing
- Boys & Girls Club & BI Child Care Centers: \$2,000 to fund a joint-organization staff training
- BYS/Boys & Girls Club: \$4,500 to help fund consultation fees to assess merger possibilities
- Elder & Adult Day Services: \$9,400 to help fund the gap in costs for Medicaid-supported clients
- Friends of the Farm: \$1,350 to support implementation of fundraising plan
- Helpline House: \$3,500 to help fund milk and vegetables for the food bank
- Hope House: \$10,000 to help pay for two staff members
- Housing Resources Board: \$1,300 to help fund computer and server upgrade
- Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers: \$5,500 to help fund program expenses

Bainbridge Community Foundation 2010 Annual Community Grant Awards (continued)

IslandWood: \$2,500 to help fund Enviro-Explorations programs
Kitsap Legal Services: \$2,350 to help support legal advice clinic
Literacy Council of Kitsap: \$2,000 to fund student & tutor support
North Kitsap Fishline: \$4,800 to help fund weekend food program for children
One Call for All: \$500 to support 50th Anniversary celebration event
PAWS of Bainbridge: \$1,000 to help fund pet food bank at Helpline House
Salish Sea Expeditions: \$1,500 to support science & environmental education program
Sound Works Job Center: \$1,000 to support operational costs
Washington State Smile Partners: \$2,500 to support operational costs
West Sound Wildlife Shelter: \$1,000 to fund live-animal education presentations at schools
Bainbridge Art Museum: In-kind gift of computer valued at \$2,400

Bainbridge Community Foundation Trustees Award

Health, Housing & Human Services Council: \$3450 for training workshops for multiple agencies' board & staff

Bainbridge Community Foundation Donor-Advised Funds and Philanthropy Partners

The Foundation is fortunate to partner with its donor funds and other local philanthropy partners to triple this year's total pool for the Annual Community Grants program:

Alder Fund
Steve & Harriet Davis Fund
Hilderman Family Fund
Bob & Judy Karr Family Fund
Peters Fund for a Sustainable Community
Plan B Fund
Sophia Fund
Anonymous Donor

Bainbridge Community Foundation

Building the future of our community through encouraging philanthropy today.

The Bainbridge Community Foundation was established in 2001 to encourage philanthropy in our community. BCF currently has nearly \$6 million in assets and 35 donor funds and scholarships. The Foundation's donors support non-profit organizations that are vital to the health of Bainbridge Island. For more information about Bainbridge Community Foundation, please visit www.bainbridgecommunityfoundation.org or call 206-842-0433.