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## **Lawrence Livermore National Security, LLC Announces Recipients of \$100,000 Community Gift Program 2011**

LIVERMORE, Calif., September 23, 2011 — Lawrence Livermore National Security, LLC (LLNS) the contract manager for Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, has announced the recipients for the 2011 LLNS Community Gift Program. These gifts, totaling \$100,000, reflect LLNS' commitment to the local communities.

LLNS received 59 applications totaling more than \$600,000 in requests. Twenty-two applications totaling \$100,000 were selected for awards through a committee review process. The majority of these awards serve children in the Tri-Valley and San Joaquin County, with a focus on science, math education and cultural arts.

“We appreciate the efforts of the agencies and want to thank them for the invaluable contributions they provide in our Tri-Valley community,” said George Miller, LLNS president and LLNL director. “It is the privilege of LLNS to be able to contribute to these worthwhile efforts, especially given the impact these gifts will have on education and arts programs within our community.”

Following are this year's LLNS Community Gift Program award recipients, with a brief description of their programs and goals:

- **Alameda County Library Foundation** provides early literacy computer stations for children 2 to 10 years old, to support school readiness and motivate children to learn to read.
- **Agape Villages Foster Family Agency, Enrichment Program for Foster Kids** enhances the quality of life for foster children through enrichment activities.
- **BasicNecessities.org, Nosotras en Control 2012** provides support to empower young Latinas so they can become women leaders of tomorrow.
- **Broadening Educational Possibilities Inc., Math & Science School Store Project** allows Stockton 5<sup>th</sup> graders to learn and practice math skills through the creation of a school store.
- **Dublin Unified School District, Middle School Gateway to Technology, Project Lead the Way Engineering Academy** prepares middle school students for the high school's

Engineering Academy encouraging them in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM).

- **Faith Network of the East Bay, Inc., Science Horizons** supports the teaching and learning of 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade science in the Oakland Unified School District.
- **Good News Bears, Application to Purchase Teddy Bears for Children in Medical Care**, provides teddy bears for those in need at surgical centers, first responders and others.
- **Heritage High School Robotics Club** prepares youth for computer, automation and artificial intelligence careers by supporting participation in national competitions.
- **Livermore Amador Symphony Association percussion instruments** presents musical programs of cultural and educational value for the benefit of the community.
- **Livermore Valley Charter Preparatory High School** will purchase physics laboratory equipment and supplies to assist students in gaining relevant hands-on experience.
- **Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District, 2011-2012 Science Odyssey** will use its gift to assist with their district-wide science fair for all Livermore Valley Joint Unified School district students in grades K-12.
- **Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District, 2011-2012 Teaching Opportunities for Partners in Science** provides hands-on activities for ~4,500 elementary and middle school students in science education. Funds will be used to maintain and expand the program.
- **Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center, Sponsorship of MatheMagic! for Local Elementary and Middle School Students** provides K-8 grade school children with the opportunity to attend a presentation, which makes math magical and meaningful.
- **Pleasanton Unified School District, Project Lead the Way** provides engineering curriculum and teaching training support to create upper division courses so that all students have access to their specialization.
- **Pleasanton Unified School District, Village High School & Horizon Science & Math Program** helps students with unique challenges prepare for high school graduation and college, accommodating learning styles with hands-on materials.
- **South County Crises Center, Developing Healthier Choices for Successful Families** offers a variety of both crisis assistance and classes including anger management and domestic violence prevention to help develop coping skills.
- **Tri-Valley Haven, Tri-Valley Haven Food Pantry** provides essential nourishment by distributing food to Tri-Valley residents in need.
- **Tri-Valley Housing Opportunity Financial Literacy Education for At-Risk Youth and Young Adults** offers services/education to enhance the financial literacy of at risk individuals and families by educating them on financial/money management.
- **Valley Care Health System-Valley Care Charitable Foundation, Meals on Wheels & Head Start Food Program** provides warm meals to seniors and families. The combined programs have already served more than 200,000 meals this fiscal year surpassing last year.
- **Valley Dance Theatre, The Nutcracker Performances for Local School Children** provides dance education bringing The Nutcracker to East Bay school children.

- **Wiesner Memorial Senior Fund Fiscal 2012** provides emergency grants to seniors in the Tri-Valley for a variety of emergency needs, helping them maintain independent lifestyles.
- **Windemere Ranch Middle School, STEM Trivia Question of the Day Program** encourages students interested in STEM by providing a computerized trivia program rewarding students for correct answers.

For more information about the LLNS Community Gift Program, go to the Website at <http://www.llnslc.com/communityGiving/llnsgift>

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More information on LLNS is available on the Website, [www.llnslc.com](http://www.llnslc.com)