



## Sunnyside Foundation Board of Directors



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*Our Mission:* to promote educational excellence by providing resources to support work which enriches the education, development and well-being of all Sunnyside Unified School District (SUSD) children. The Sunnyside Foundation board is dedicated to funding enriched educational opportunities.

## Highlights:

2011 saw the Foundation Board continue to implement strategies to deal with the struggling economy:

- Foundation Office was moved within Sunnyside District to provide direct interaction with administrators, teachers and students. As a result, relationships continue to be strengthened as we find more and more opportunities to work together.
- Back to Basics successfully launched and implemented. Program was strengthened by \$7K in additional funding.
- Grant writing brought in-house

## New Leadership:

Five new board members recruited in 2011:

- Valerie Diaz, Del Sol Casino Resort
- Danielle DuBois, Pima County Superior Court
- Guadalupe Guterrez, Pasqua Yaqui Tribe
- Danielle Martinez-Brady, Intuit
- Naomi Proaño, KOOL Smiles Family Dentistry

## Events:

Funding Our Future, A Celebration of Excellence in Education was even more successful in its 2<sup>nd</sup> year, raising over six thousand dollars during the event in addition to more than six thousand dollars in sponsorships. Pima Federal Credit Union will continue as the major sponsor of the event in 2012. Dr. Peter Likins, the keynote speaker, provided very inspiring, personal insight into the importance of

Public Education. A new Spring event was successful and the Annual Sunnyside Foundation Student Art Contest will be continued in 2012 culminating with a Gallery Sale and Showing of the Art Contest winners during the Spring. Casino Del Sol Resorts will partner with the Sunnyside Foundation in creating a signature event benefitting Foundation programs; development will begin in 2012.

## Donors, Partners & Supporters:

Thanks to our Donors, Partners and Supporters for believing in the power of Public Education and for Funding Our Future.

- Affinity Financial Group, LLC
- Alliance Bank of Arizona
- Bank of America Foundation
- Bass & Associates
- CORE Construction of Arizona
- COX Communications
- Diet of Hope
- Empire Machinery
- Gluck Foundation (The Foundations)
- The Gonzales Law Firm
- Mid-State Energy
- M&I/BMO Financial Services
- NOVA Home Loans
- Pasqua Yaqui Tribe
- PICOR
- Pima Federal Credit Union
- Raytheon
- Reyna Law Firm
- Rosemont Copper Company
- Sandweiss, Brent and Wendy
- Sullivan's Steakhouse
- Sunnyside Unified School District Administrators & Employees
- Torralba & Associates
- The Stocker Foundation
- UFCW-Southwest Food Services



# Sunnyside Foundation 2011



## EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION GRANTS 2011

Grand Total: \$24,824

Thanks to our Donors, Partners, Supporters and many individuals who made it possible to award \$24,824 in Excellence in Education Classroom and Teacher focused grants in 2011!

The Sunnyside Foundation also distributed \$84,000 to a variety of classrooms, programs and projects in 2011!

**Excellence in Education Grant Awards 2011-12**  
Grand total of \$24,824

<p><b>Academics</b></p> <p>\$1,000 – Sunnyside High School Decathlon Scrimmages &amp; Competitions Sunnyside High School, Valerie Heller</p> <p>\$1,000 – Community Based Instruction/Life Skills Training Special Education/Autism Program Rivera Elementary, Lourdes Garino</p> <p>\$1,000 – Laufler Sustainable Garden Project Billy Lane Laufler Middle School, Noah Mickey-Colman and Janine Bestest</p> <p>\$600 – Special Education (MIMR) Life Skills Program Apollo Middle School, Kathy Killen</p> <p>\$2,600 – Student Leadership Conference Special Education Desert View High School, Debra Edwards</p>	<p><b>Fine Arts and Culture</b></p> <p>\$1,000 – Laufler Art Garden Combining: Art, Math &amp; Science Renée Bejarano El Chache</p> <p>\$382 – Mission Manor Elementary Recorder Class Mission Manor Elementary, Matthew Hoolsema</p> <p>\$510 – Peace Garden Project S.T.A.R. Academic, Roberta Lewis</p>
<p><b>Literacy</b></p> <p>\$700 – Reading Challenge Los Ranchitos Elementary School, Ana Ramirez</p> <p>\$1,500 – Young Author Student Talks Billy Lane Laufler Middle School, Rene A. Davies</p> <p>\$500 – Book Trailer and Kindle Project Sunnyside High School, Ruth Soza and Barbara McDonald</p>	<p><b>Science, Technology, Engineering and Math</b></p> <p>\$650 – Math Challenge Los Ranchitos Elementary School, Ana Ramirez</p> <p>\$2,705 – Biotechnology Support Sunnyside High School, Steve Oyuda</p> <p>\$1,200 – MESA, Math, Engineering, Science Achievement Billy Lane Laufler Middle School, Donya Makus and Kristina Gregg</p> <p>\$160 – AP Biology Beetle Heart Lab Sunnyside High School, Sandi Stewart</p> <p>\$535 – Injury Prevention &amp; Basic First-Aid Skills for Elementary Students Santa Clara Elementary School, Gail Siqueros, School Nurse</p> <p>\$600 – Outdoor Education Orienteering Billy Lane Laufler Middle School, Crystal Spicer</p> <p>\$697 – M.L.S.S. Adventures Los Amigos Technology Academy, Steve Price, Principal</p> <p>\$491 – Biosphere 2: Thinking About Tomorrow Los Amigos Technology Academy, Elizabeth Araujo</p> <p>\$700 – Vegetable Garden in Redwood Boxes Ocotillo Early Learning Center, Linda Velazquez</p> <p>\$1,000 – Math, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA Club) Sierra Middle School, Ava M. Bemmer, MA</p> <p>\$994 – Rockets and Newton's 3 Laws of Motion Billy Lane Laufler Middle School, Rebecca A. Harris, MST</p> <p>\$800 – Family Math &amp; Science Sierra Middle School, Ava M. Bemmer</p> <p>\$495 – Southern Arizona Regional Science &amp; Engineering Fair Billy Lane Laufler Middle School, Kristina Gregg</p>
<p><b>Extra-Curricular Activities</b></p> <p>\$815 – HOSA Online Testing Sunnyside High School, Cathy Monroe</p> <p>\$650 – Preschool Family Nights Ocotillo Early Learning Center, Leslee Valencia</p> <p>\$650 – Parent/Family Math Meetings Billy Lane Laufler Middle School, Kristina Gregg</p> <p>\$200 – We're Going to the Zoo! Ocotillo Early Learning Center, Maura McCulloch</p> <p>\$1,000 – Tucson International Maratich Conference Billy Lane Laufler Middle School, Daniel Dong</p>	

**Foundation Funding Making a Difference 2010-11**  
Distributed to the District:

- \$25K in Excellence in Education Grants
- \$25K to District's Digital Advantage Program
- \$15K from Stocker Foundation to elementary schools for preK through first grade Literacy Grant Implementation
- \$9K from Gluck Foundation (the foundations) for National Language Program at the University of Arizona
- \$10K to Sunnyside Blue Devils Football Program

**\$84K Grand Total**

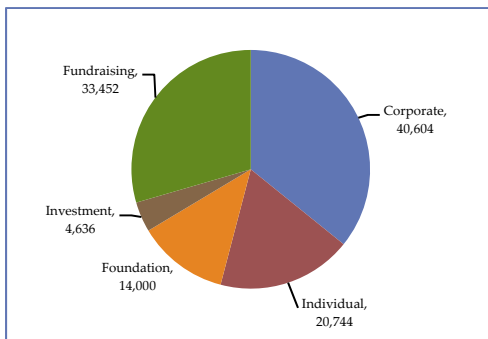
Please follow this link to view a video produced by students at Billy Lane Laufler Middle School. The video contains program reports from both students who are beneficiaries of our Excellence in Education Grants, and their teachers regarding the direct impact on our student's educational experience from this critically needed funding. Thank you for making the Sunnyside Foundation part of your personal philanthropy.



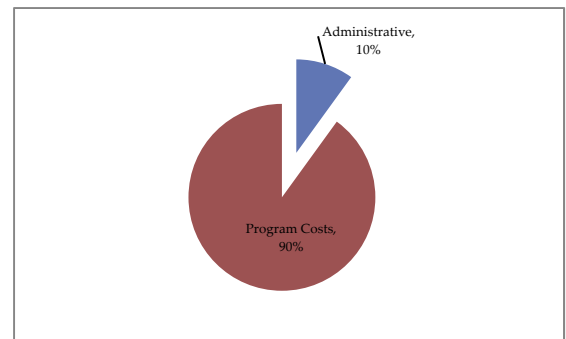


## SOURCES AND USE OF FUNDS 2011

Sources of Support 2011



Administrative vs. Program Costs



Break-out of Program Costs

