The Fund believes educational resources and support are often as valuable as cash grants, especially to small, emerging organizations.

As part of our mission to provide an alternative concept in philanthropy, the Fund commits considerable staff and volunteer resources to support community activists and organizations with skill-building opportunities, informational resources, and advice through our Capacity Building Program. The Capacity Building Program compliments our grant-making by offering accessible workshops and tailored consulting services to ensure grassroots organizers’ success in promoting progressive social, economic, environmental and political change. Support provided ranges from fundraising/grant-writing, strategic planning, board development, policies & procedures, community organizing strategies, media strategies, advocacy & lobbying, program development, event planning, 501(c)3 incorporation, and more.

Special thanks to the following funding partners for investing in our Capacity Building Program:

2015 Educational Workshops

15 Workshops | 154 Organizations | 241 Unique Attendees

CAPACITY BUILDING
- Community Asset Mapping with Community Research Labs (Advancement Project)
- Using Visual Data To Drive Change with Community Research Labs (Advancement Project)
- Hyperlocal Communications with Community Research Labs (Advancement Project)

COMMUNITY ORGANIZING
- Community Organizing & Popular Education with Highlander Education & Research Center

LEADERSHIP
- Leading for Impact with Britt Andreatta
- Cultivating Potential with Britt Andreatta

FUNDRAISING / GRANT-WRITING
- Grant-Application Workshops
- Census Data for Grant Writers with the U.S. Census

2015 Consulting & Support

Over 360 groups received consulting and/or support from the Fund

A Year Without War • AB 60 classes in Lompoc • ACLU • Active Alumni Academia • ADMHS • After Tahrir • Alano Club • Allan Hancock College • Allan Hancock College STEM • Alpha Resource Center • Alternatives to Violence Project • AMAE Plaza Comunitaria • Anti-Defamation League • Art of Peace Imagine • Art-Craft Paint Inc. • Arts Fund • ASL / SBCC • Association of Mexican American Educators (AMAE) Plaza Comunitaria • Barbareno Chumash Council • Barefoot & Boxy • Beekeepers Guild • BCI Centro / El Tour • Bishop Diego High School • Breast Cancer Resource Center • Bridging Two Worlds • Buena Vista • C.A.M.P • CA for Green Nuclear Power • CA Youth Connection, S.B. Chapter • Cabrillo Economic Development Corp • CADA • CAF/ CAUSE • Café Magdalena • CAGV • CAHUAYAXI INTERNATIONAL BENEFIT ORGANIZATION INC • Cal Poly Design • Cal Poly Social Science Dept. • California Immigrant Policy Center • California Interest Research Group • California Public Interest Research Group • California Rural Legal Assistance • California Teachers Association • California Youth Connection S.B. Chapter • CALPIRG Education Fund • CAMP • CAMP / Danza Azteca • Camp Fire • Camp Think / Freedom to Choose • Campfire Central Coast • Cancer Survivor Services • CAP (Conservation of the American) • Care4Paws • Carpinteria Promise • CASA • Casa Esperanza • Casa Pacifica • Casa Pacifica • Casa Pacifica • CAUSE • CAUSE Action Fund • CBCN • Central Coast Future Leaders • Centro Binacional Para El Desarrollo Indígena Oaxaqueño (CBDIO) • Channel Islands Marine Sanctuary • Chicana Students • Children’s Creative Project • Chumash Maritime Association • CitizensClimateLobby.org • City at Peace • CLI Presentation at Camp • CLUE • CLUE Ventura County • CMES UCSB • Coalition Against Gun Violence • Coalition for Sustainable Transportation • Coalition Against Gun Violence • Coast Valley • Substance Abuse Treatment Centers • Coastal Band of the Chumash Nation •
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Committee for Social Justice • Community Achievement Enterprise • Community Action Commission • Community Environmental Council • Community Health Centers • Community Research Lab • Conflict Solutions Center of SB Co. • Courthouse Legacy Foundation • Culture and Art for the People • Cuyama Valley Family Resource Center • Cuyama Valley Recreation Dist. • Cuyama Valley Water Issues • Data Dissemination Branch • Deana Mesa @ Foundation Fighting Blindness • Direct Relief • Direct Relief International • District Elections Committee • Doctors Without Walls • Doorway to Health • Doorway to Health / Promotore Network • Dreamscape / PermAction • Dreamscape / PermAction • Economic Justice Working Group • EDC • Edible S.B. • El Gascón Publishing House (EGPH) • Elder Care Initiative • Empowered Voices Films • Endowment for Youth Committee • Environmental Affairs Board, UCSB • Environmental Coalition • Environmental Defense Center • Ernest Righetti High School • Ernest Righetti Visual Art Students • Family Service Agency Promotora • Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley • First 5 • Food & Water Watch • Food Policy Alliance • Foodbank of S.B. County • Forest Ethics • Foster Parent Association • Foundation Fighting Blindness Santa Monica • Foundation for S.B. City College • Freedom to Choose Foundation • Freedom4Youth • Friends of the Carpinteria Library • Future Leaders of America, Inc. • Gateway Educational Services • Gaviota Coast Film Project • Girl Scouts of California’s Central Coast • Girl Inc • Girls Rock SB • Global Change Project • Goleta Education Foundation • Goleta Skateboarding Movement • Good Samaritan Shelter • GRACE • GRID Alternatives Central Coast • Groundswell Technologies Inc. • Guadalupe Union School District • GUSD • Habitat for Humanity of Southern S.B. • Harding University Partnership School • HEAL • Health Care For All - CA • Heart to Heart • Hearts Therapeutic • Hillside House of S.B. • Immigrant Hope S.B. • Impact Hub Tour • IMPORTA SB • Independent Living Resource Center • Indigenous Language Interpreter Group • Interfaith Initiative/HEAL • Interpreters Network [name in progress] • Isla Vista Art & Style Magazine • Isla Vista Community Center • Isla Vista Food Co-Op • Isla Vista Self Governance Initiative • Islamic Society of S.B. • IV Arts • IV Parks • Jewish Federation of S.B. • Just Communities Central Coast • Kaswa Band of Chumash • KCLU • Knox School of S.B. • La Hermandad Youth and Family Center • Landlord Liaison Partnership • League of Women Voters • League of Women Voters Santa Maria Valley • Legal Aid Foundation of S.B. County • Lideres Campesinas • Lompoc Boxing • Lompoc Cooperative Development • Lompoc Santa Maria NAACP • Lompoc Theatre Project • Lompoc Unified School District AVID • Lompoc Unified School District Dual Immersion Program • Lompoc Valley Beekeepers • Lompoc Valley Community Healthcare Organization • Los Alamos Community Group • LULAC • LUSD Dual Immersion Magnet Program • MAD Academy • Making Contact Radio Show • MapYourVoice.org • Martin Luther King, Jr. Committee of S.B. • Migrant Education Program • Mike Lewis Prison Yoga • Minimum Wage Coalition • Mobile Homeowners Project • Monica House • Mothers for Peace • MUIER UCSB • Multi-cultural Center UCSB • My Brother’s Keeper • National Human Trafficking Resource Network • Native American Chumash Veterans • New Education Options • Newshare • NewSource Journalism Project • NoCo Energy Organizing • NPRN • Oasis Senior Center • Odyssey Film Project • Oliver Tree Initiative • Opposition to Eastside Improvement District • Orcutt Neighbors Organizing • Orfalea Foundation • Organizacion en California de Lideres Campesinas, Inc. • Pacific Pride Foundation • Page Youth Center • Palabra • PCIC/ASPIRE - Alliance for School Performance and Inspiration to Reach Educational Excellence • Peoples’ Self Help Housing • PermAction (YMC) • PFLAG S.B. • Phoenix of SB • Pilgrim Terrace/ Villa Majella • Pinata • Planned Parenthood • Plaza Comunitaria • PODER • Poetic Justice Project • Protesting Military Recruiters at High Schools • Pro-Youth Movement • Pushy Shovels • Quail Springs Permaculture • Que Padré • Radius Group • Reins of H.O.P.E. • Restorative Justice Initiative and Clinic • Right to Write S.B. • RSVP Senior Programs • Sacred Valley Health • SAFE IV • Safe Schools/Pacific Pride • Sama Group • Samsung Diabetes Foundation • San Luis Obispo Mothers for Peace • Sanctuary Centers of S.B. • S.B. Arts Fund • S.B. Beekeepers Association • S.B. Bicycle Coalition • S.B. Birth Center • S.B. Chamber Orchestra • S.B. Channelkeeper • S.B. County Action Network • S.B. County Arts Commission • S.B. County Education Office • S.B. County Probation Department • S.B. County Promotors • S.B. Education Foundation • S.B. Food Alliance • S.B. Foundation • S.B. Museum of Art • S.B. Museum of Natural History • S.B. Neighborhood Clinics • S.B. Rape Crisis Center • S.B. Scholarship Foundation • S.B. School of Surf • S.B. Student Housing Cooperative • S.B. Transgender Advocacy Network • S.B. Village • S.B. Water Guardians • S.B. Women’s Political Committee • Santa Maria - Lompoc NAACP • Santa Maria Bonita Schools • Santa Maria Chamber of Commerce • Santa Maria Mural Group • Santa Maria Public Library Foundation • Santa Maria Teen Services Coalition • Santa Maria Valley Teen Services Coalition • Santa Ynez Valley Fruit and Vegetable Rescue • Sarahr House • SBCC ASL Club • SBCC Permaculture Project • SBCC Transitions Program • SBCEO Healthy Linkages • SBCEO Promotore • Search Engine Pros • Second Order Change • Shared Crossing Project, Essential Conversations • Showers of Blessing • SM THRIVE Indigenous Community Support work group • Smarty Pants • SMH, Local Chumash • SMHS Active Alumni in • Sol Soccer Club • Solutions for People Inc. • Southern California Grantmakers • SPAN • Spanish-Speakers Access Network (SPAN) • Spectrum Ministries S.B. • Stand Together, ADL, SBUSD, AHA • State Board of Equalization / CalNonprofits • Surf Happens • Sweet Media Entertainment • Task Force Against Police Brutality in IV • Teachers of the Study of Educational Institutions • Teaching FAIR • The Academy • The Arts Fund • The Dream Club • The Dyslexia Project • The Lompoc Theatre Project • The Odyssey Project • The Third Annual Guadalupe Reading Festival • TTHRIVE • TTHRIVE Guadalupe • Traffic Court Amnesty Program • Transcend Yoga • Transition House • Transitions Mental Health Association • True Nature Society / Quail Springs • TV S.B. • UCSB • UCSB A.S. • UCSB Alumni Association • UCSB Art Department • UCSB AS Environmental Affairs Board • UCSB Black Student Union • UCSB Department of Theater and Dance - Odyssey Project • UCSB IDEAS • UCSB Student Affairs • UCSB/Isla Vista Arts • Uffizi Order • Vanderberg Middle School • Veggie Rescue • Villa Magella • Vision Y Compromise • Visit Lompoc • Water Buddy • Watergirl Fund (Surf Like a Girl) • We Need to Talk • West Coast Nativa American Indians • Wild Farmlands Foundation • Wilderness Youth Project • William James Association • Women in Leadership Forum • Wonder to Wisdom Project • WonHeart • World Business Academy • Wuttke Institute • Yes You Can Dance Salsa! • Youth Cinemedia • Youth Drought Project • yStrive for Youth, Inc.