

## 2011-2012 Philanthropies

The Palos Verdes Junior Women's Club supports charities which provide community enrichment, critical needs, crisis intervention and prevention, support, and public services. We also award scholarships to worthy, local graduating high school seniors entering their first year of college or university and to returning scholarship recipients still in good standing. Charities are selected after a thorough investigation of their financial need and community impact. Focus is placed on groups that address the needs of *Women and Children in Crisis*. Philanthropies are decided each year by vote of the General Membership at the November General Meeting.



**Boys & Girls Clubs of the LA Harbor:** The organization has a "Triple A" strategy to provide high-quality programming in Academics, Arts, and Athletics. Academic support is the main focus and consistent college access services leads to the goal of high school graduation and college acceptance for nearly 90% of the college bound participants. They provide daily support services and college access activities, arts programs and athletics (which are a mainstay of Clubs).

**Harbor Interfaith Services:** Provides homeless and working poor families with emergency shelter, food, job placement advocacy, transitional housing, childcare, and support services. This is the only agency in the South Bay that houses homeless families.

**Los Angeles Challenge:** Provides K-12 educational scholarships for children from economically disadvantaged but highly motivated families as a means of breaking the cycle of poverty.

**New Life Advocacy:** Provides direct court advocacy services for victims of domestic violence who have children, representing them through custody dispute conciliation and presentation of their cases in court. Prevents mothers from losing custody to their batterers and prevents the re-victimization of these underserved victims of domestic violence.



**Providence TrinityKids Care Hospice Foundation:** Provides pediatric hospice in-home care and support for infants, children, and adolescents with life-limiting illnesses in Los Angeles and Orange Counties.

**Rainbow Services, Inc.:** Provides a comprehensive range of services to women and children victimized by domestic violence, including emergency and transitional shelters, a 24-hour hotline, counseling, and support services focusing on ending the cycle of family violence.

**St. Peter and St. Paul Poverty Program:** Provides subsistence services such as nutritional food, clothing, blankets, hygiene supplies, and medical and dental services for people living 300% or more below the government poverty guidelines with an emphasis on helping babies, young children, expectant mothers, and the working poor.

**SHAWL (Support for Harbor Area Women's Lives):** Provides women substance abuse treatment within a supportive residential living. Offers the South Bay's only continuum of care designed to foster sustained sobriety and progress towards emotional and financial independence with success rates rivaling the best treatment facilities.

**South Bay Children's Health Center Association:** Provides dental services to youth - 18 months through 24 years of age, as well as child guidance - mental health clinic for youths through 18 years of age, who come from poverty, low, and moderate income families in the South Bay communities.

**Toberman Neighborhood Center:** Provides to their neighboring community, 97% of whom live in poverty, programming that helps people move from poverty to self-sufficiency. Their goals include creating motivated, life-long learners, strengthening family units and promoting urban peace via youth tutoring, nutrition and athletic programs, gang prevention and emergency service.

**Scholarships:** Awarded to deserving local high school seniors entering their first year at a college or university. Consideration is based on financial need, academic achievement, community service, and extracurricular activities.



## Funds Disbursed

### Over \$300,000 per year over the past 2 years

Over the past 54 years, Palos Verdes Junior Women's Club has dispersed over \$3 million.

By partnering with us, you can join us in making a real impact on people's lives. Last year, the partnership of our donors and members provided vital funding for a number of critical programs including:

Activity	Impact
Funding for meals, medical and dental assistance, blankets, clothing, diapers, and hygiene supplies for 8500 individuals with an emphasis on assisting infants, young children and pregnant mothers	Beyond immediate obvious need, the funding helped reduce stressful living conditions that are forerunner of broken families, unsupervised street children, and mental anguish
Funding of additional counseling groups at local intermediate and high schools	Students will be removed from the waiting list for the year and receive the counseling they so desperately need
Funding of emergency pantry for over 150 children as well as help maintaining family counseling and crisis intervention for children with developmental issues	Families face reduced stress and children are better fed and more alert which enables them to respond more readily to the therapy provided
Funding for victims of domestic violence to find safe haven in a protected facility which helps them with vocational and emotional growth	Families can relax and grow in a shielded environment while mothers are given the tools to reengage successfully into society
Funding for 50 woman and their children, all victims of domestic violence, to receive court advocacy services	Families have disengaged legally from the violence and are now on a safe path to a new life with mothers able to retain custody of their children

**ESTABLISHED** in 1958 as a non-profit public benefit corporation, the Palos Verdes Junior Women's Club is designated at 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service.

**MEMBERSHIP** is by invitation to woman over 21 who reside on the Palos Verdes Peninsula. Our members are a diverse group, including community leaders, stay-at-home moms, and professional women in business, law and medicine. Our organization is 100% volunteer; we have no paid staff.

**OUR GOAL** is to promote the social welfare of the greater South Bay community through financial assistance and hands-on support.

**FOCUS** is placed on groups that have critical, yet often overlooked needs. Our contributions provide assistance to philanthropies that are categorized as follows:

<b>Crisis</b>	Support immediate life-threatening or critical needs
<b>Intervention</b>	Provide long-term needs of a critical nature
<b>Prevention</b>	Prevents crisis situations from happening
<b>Support</b>	Provide assistance through positive encouragement
<b>Service</b>	Provide assistance to the general public

**DISBURSEMENTS** total in excess of \$3 million since inception, averaging over \$200,000 per year for the past 2 years. One hundred percent of net proceeds are distributed to philanthropies and scholarship recipients. Administrative expenses are paid 100% by our membership dues.

**FUNDRAISING** activities, in which are members are required to participate, include a Holiday Luncheon and Boutique in the late fall, a Spring Fundraiser in mid-March, and a year-round Corporate Sponsorship Program.

**Celebrating 54 Years of Hearts Caring and Sharing  
Supporting Women and Children in Crisis in the South Bay**  
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