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**LAWRENCE LIVERMORE NATIONAL SECURITY ANNOUNCES RECIPIENTS  
OF THE 2017 \$100,000 COMMUNITY GIFT PROGRAM**

LIVERMORE, Calif., Oct. 20, 2017 – Lawrence Livermore National Security, LLC (LLNS), the contract manager for Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL), has announced the recipients for the 2017 LLNS Community Gift Program. These gifts, totaling \$100,000, reflect LLNS' commitment to local communities.

LLNS received 71 applications totaling more than \$555,000 in requests. Thirty-seven applications were selected for awards totaling \$100,000 through a committee review process. The majority of these awards serve children in the Tri-Valley area, Contra Costa and San Joaquin counties, with a focus on literacy, science, technology, engineering and math education and cultural arts. Other recipients focus their charitable efforts toward children, families, senior citizens and individuals in need of assistance.

Pat Falcone, LLNL's deputy director for science and technology, presented the awards on behalf of Bill Goldstein, LLNS president and LLNL director, during a reception at the LLNS office in downtown Livermore on Thursday.

"I am honored to present these gifts on behalf of LLNS, the Laboratory and the director. Thank you for your invaluable service and contributions to our community," said Falcone.

Falcone presented LLNS Community Gift Program awards to the following organizations:

- **Alameda County Community Food Bank, Children's Food Distribution and Backpack Program**, delivers prepackaged bags of nutritious food to elementary schoolchildren in need.
- **Blind Babies Foundation, a Program of Junior Blind**, provides critical early childhood development services and support to children and their families.
- **Castro Valley High, Biotech Classes** provide a safe learning environment to explore science, helping students reach their highest potential.
- **Central Valley Youth Symphony** offers support to young musicians, affording them the opportunity to learn how to play symphonic music.
- **Chabot Space & Science Center in Oakland** inspires and educates students of all ages about our planet and the universe.
- **Child Care Links** provides critical early childhood resources, education and development services to support children, families and childcare providers.
- **Christensen Middle School** provides a STEM program that places students on a pathway to a high school engineering academy that prepares them for a career in the technical field.
- **CityServe of the Tri-Valley** offers solutions for needed human services including emergency shelter, homeless prevention, education support and community collaboration.
- **Del Arroyo 4-H Club** offers opportunities for underprivileged children to build confidence, learn responsibility and develop important life skills.
- **Discovery Bay Odyssey of the Mind, International Problem-Solving Competition**, delivers the opportunity for gifted students to think outside the box in technical and engineering fields.
- **Dublin Partners in Education Career Exploration** delivers highly desired STEM educational enhancement programs that are left unfunded by other means.
- **East Bay National Society of Black Engineers** is working to increase the number of minority and women engineers who excel academically, succeed professionally and positively impact the community.
- **Exceptional Needs Network** offers a free overnight camp for special needs children at Livermore's Camp Arroyo.
- **Faith Network of the East Bay, Science Horizons Program** gives Oakland elementary students learning opportunities in STEM.
- **Jackson Avenue School, Parents and Teachers Organization** supports an after-school Coding Club which is expanding to meet the needs of all students.
- **Lammersville Unified School District, Altamont Elementary School**, prepares students with hands-on learning in the "Science and Engineering More Than a Boys Club!" program.

- **Lammersville Unified School District, Altamont Elementary School,** introduces students to the arts with their “Putting the A in STEAM” program.
- **Las Positas College, Biotech Bootcamp,** exposes high school students to careers in biomedical science through hands-on biotechnology experiments.
- **League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), Youth Eagles Aviation & Space Education,** advances educational attainment with Hispanic youth emphasizing the STEM fundamentals.
- **Livermore High School Calculus Camp** removes students from everyday distractions and immerses them in the study and review of calculus.
- **Livermore High School Robotics Team** participates in competitions which educate and excite students in STEM and business topics.
- **Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District, Global Learning and Observations to Benefit the Environment (GLOBE),** invites teachers and students to participate in collaborative science campaigns.
- **Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District** is creating “Makerspaces” in three of their elementary schools, providing hands-on engagement in science, math and engineering.
- **Los Cerros Middle School** provides challenge-based learning opportunities to inspire creativity, innovation, critical thinking and problem solving.
- **Marilyn Avenue School, Little Bits Circuit Learning** is launching a “Makerspace” lab to enable students and teachers to develop STEAM skills.
- **Northern California Council of Black Professional Engineers** encourages youth to enter STEM careers through programs including the Museum of African American Technology.
- **Oakland Ballet Company, Discover Dance,** provides free dance performances and training, ensuring that dance arts education continues to be available for local schools.
- **Oakland Children's Fairyland Inc., Science Alive!** teaches zoology and botany to under-served kindergarten and first grade students.
- **Pleasanton Partnerships in Education Foundation** supports innovative teacher and student projects, enabling them to experience hands-on STEM activities.
- **Ron Nunn Elementary School** provides developmentally appropriate opportunities to nurture the social, emotional and developmental needs of our students.
- **Stanton Elementary School** provides progressive and real work/learning opportunities focusing on lessons that support the new science standards.

- **Sunflower Hill Gardens** creates a sustainable special needs community for individuals and families with meaningful programs and activities.
- **Tracy High School, Biotechnology Program**, enables students to become skilled users of technology, utilizing modern tools for conducting scientific investigations.
- **Tri-Valley Conservancy, Discovery Program**, connects youth with nature and provides them with a meaningful outdoor experience.
- **Tri-Valley CoderDojo** provides youth free technology learning opportunities to help them become more successful in our digital age.
- **William B. Bristow Middle School, Bristow Match C3 Club** shares mathematics as a positive and fun aspect of the larger STEM fields.
- **World of Wonders Science Museum** compliments the education of young children through hands-on scientific discovery.

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More information on LLNS and its Community Gift Program is available on the website, [www.llnslc.com](http://www.llnslc.com).