ARIZONA

1. Catholic Community and Adoption Services

Catholic Community Services of Southern Arizona, Inc., in collaboration with people of many beliefs, provides health and human services to individuals and families in need of supportive and healing programs. Donation will be used towards medical expenses for infants and birthmothers, supplies, and transportation. http://www.ccs-soaz.org/

CALIFORNIA

2. Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation

The Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation (AARBF) is a California-based nonprofit organization dedicated to preventing burns and fires and providing services to those who have been affected by a burn injury. AARBF brings together health care providers, firefighters, emergency workers, burn survivors and others to enhance the quality of life for burn survivors and to make burn injuries a thing of the past. Donation would be used towards sending two burn survivor children to a week summer camp at “Champ Camp” with other burn victims. http://www.aarbf.org/

3. Bonnie J. Addario Lung Cancer Foundation

As the nation’s largest foundation devoted exclusively to eradicating lung cancer, BJALCF works with a diverse group of physicians, organizations and individuals to identify solutions and make timely and meaningful change through research, early detection, education, prevention, and treatment. Donations will be used to support the programs for early detections of Lung Cancer. http://www.thelungcancerfoundation.org/

4. California Association of the Deaf

CAD, founded in 1906 in Berkeley, California, is a non-profit organization representing people who are Deaf and for whom American Sign Language and Deaf Culture collectively represent their primary experience and existence. CAD is operated of, by, and for the Deaf Community, which advocates, promotes, protects, and supports the rights, social welfare, and a high quality of life for Deaf Californians. This donation will be used towards renting a stage for a pageant, pay for the weekend pageant retreat, and fund workshops geared towards leadership development. http://cad1906.org/
5. Jagriti Foundation

Jagriti programs center on collaboration with grassroots women’s organizations in developing countries of Africa, Asia, Latin America and Eastern Europe. These organizations are dedicated to strengthening the position of women in their societies through income generation, women’s rights and legal change, access to health, education, agricultural improvement and other activities. The Jagriti Foundation works directly with these women’s organizations in ways that support their own goals and objectives. This donation will be used for domestic violence victims to help them get the proper skills and training to return to the workplace.
http://www.volunteersforprosperity.gov/busorg/profiles/jagriti-foundation.htm

6. Let it be Foundation

The Let It Be Foundation is a non-profit organization that provides support to Chino Valley residents. The focus is to provide individualized aide to meet the needs of the family (medical accessories, sibling care, household maintenance, meals, etc). With sponsorship and private donations, relief can be provided to overwhelmed and financially-strained families. The foundation was inspired by Karla Asch-Rosen, who was diagnosed with inoperable brain cancer. Her heartfelt desire was to "just be normal" and share her faith with others. The foundation's mission reflects the life-changing impact that illness can have on the family dynamic. This donation will be used towards new programs for terminally ill children and their families.
http://www.theletitbefoundation.com/

7. Luther Burbank Memorial Foundation DBA Wells Fargo Center for the Arts

Wells Fargo Center for the Arts is Sonoma County's premier arts organization presenting world-class performances, festivals, and events to 500,000 residents and visitors annually. Owned and operated by the non-profit Luther Burbank Memorial Foundation, they rely on the generosity of patrons, members, and donors to keep the arts alive to be enjoyed by all. Together with their resident companies, they present more than 100 annual performances and are one of California's largest providers of arts education programs. Donations would be used in support of the Music Schools instrument library, including instrument repairs, cases and music educator resource materials.
http://wellsfargocenterarts.org/
8. Mama’s Kitchen

Mama’s Kitchen delivers three nutritional meals a day, seven days a week at no charge to men, women and children living with AIDS or other critical illnesses. Additionally, Mama’s Kitchen provides grocery bags and pantry services (Mama’s Pantry) to people affected by AIDS. Through these services, they are able to provide food, compassion and hope to over 1,500 people annually living throughout San Diego County. This donation will enable Mama’s Kitchen to provide 6,600 hot meals to men, women, and children affected by HIV/AIDS or other critical illnesses throughout San Diego County. http://www.mamaskitchen.org/

9. Ovarian Cancer Coalition of Greater California

The Ovarian Cancer Coalition of Greater California is made up of volunteers who sponsor health fairs, lectures, and newspaper, radio and television broadcasts to increase public awareness about ovarian cancer. Their goal is to educate the general public as well as the medical community of the signs and symptoms of this disease, and to support research to help find an early detection method and a successful treatment. Donations will be used towards expanding the community outreach program, creating more educational programs and partnerships, and to pay for the translation of materials to meet ethnically diverse LA populations. http://www.ovariancancercalifornia.com/

10. Paint Your Heart Out

Paint Your Heart Out is supported by individuals, businesses, foundations and fund raising activity. Since its inception, PYHO has recruited volunteers from the community and used donated supplies and materials or those bought with donations to repair, to refurbish homes for low income senior or disabled homeowners. Criteria for the recipients includes: low income according to HUD guidelines, owns their home, in the designated cities and is either over 65 years old or receiving disability. Since 1991, over 700 homes have been refurbished, a value of four and a half million dollars in neighborhood improvements, at no cost to the home owners. Funds will be used to buy supplies such as paint, repair materials and tools. http://www.pyho.org/
11. Pediatric Adolescent Diabetes Research Education (PADRE)

PADRE was started 20 years ago by a father of a newly diagnosed 5 year old girl, who was searching for resources and information regarding Type 1 Diabetes. Today, PADRE serves hundreds of families in the Orange County area, through a variety of activities that are hosted by the organization including: The Annual Family Retreat in Lake Arrowhead, the Harvest Carnival, the PADRE Fashion Show, the 'Hunt for the Cure' golf tournament, and Summer Camp. Donation would be used to provide education and support programs for children with Type I Diabetes and their families.
http://www.padrefoundation.org/

COLORADO

12. The Deliverer _____________________________

A Colorado church program, The Deliverer does outreach for indigents and senior support. Donation will be used to continue the outreach programs such as the food bank, free clothing boutique, job service program, recovery meetings, men and women meetings, and family nights, etc.

DELAWARE

13. Basket Brigade of Delaware

Basket Brigade of Delaware is a volunteer organization that delivers food to families most in need, in time for Thanksgiving. They have delivered a box of food and a turkey to 2,605 families in 2006. Donation will be used to purchase food for Thanksgiving baskets for less fortunate families.

FLORIDA

14. Alzheimer’s Association, SE Florida Chapter _________________

The Southeast Florida Chapter enhances efforts for researching a cure and provides support and educational services to over 200,000 Alzheimer’s patients, families and caregivers throughout Florida. This donation will be used to underwrite Safe Return bracelets and registration for 250 Alzheimer’s victims in nine counties in Southeast Florida. These bracelets assist with the location and safe return of Alzheimer patients who wander off. http://www.alz.org/seflorida/in_my_community_about.asp
15. Autism Speaks, Inc.  (FL, NV, NY)
At Autism Speaks, their goal is to change the future for all who struggle with autism spectrum disorders. They are dedicated to funding global biomedical research into the causes, prevention, treatments, and cure for autism; to raising public awareness about autism and its effects on individuals, families, and society; and to bringing hope to all who deal with the hardships of this disorder. Donation will be used for various treatment programs; research on disorder causes and prevention and to raise public awareness. http://www.autismspeaks.org/

16. Clarke Jacksonville Auditory/Oral Center

Clarke Jacksonville is a private, non-profit educational program devoted to teaching deaf and hard-of-hearing children to listen and talk. The school opened in 1996 in response to the growing need for oral deaf education in Jacksonville, FL and the surrounding area. Their mission is to provide a nurturing environment that stimulates cognitive, social and emotional development and to equip their children with the listening and English language skills and self-confidence they need to succeed in schools with their hearing peers. Donation would be used towards providing these children with sign language or speech reading therapy and classes.
http://www.clarkeschool.org/content/Clarke_Jacksonville/about.php

17. LifePath Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc.

The mission of LifePath Hospice Care is to provide quality palliative care and relieve the suffering of those in our communities affected by life-limiting illnesses and end-of-life issues, maintaining the highest ethical standards, so all may live as fully and comfortably as possible. Donation will provide hospice care to those who are uninsured or otherwise unable to pay for services as well as support Camp Circle of Love for bereaved children and the Caregiver Program, which allows patients with a fragile caregiver, or no caregiver at all, to receive hospice care where they are most comfortable -- at home.
http://www.lifepath-hospice.org/

18. Locks of Love

Locks of Love is a public non-profit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children in the United States and Canada under age 18 suffering from long-term medical hair loss from any diagnosis. Most of the children helped by Locks of Love have lost their hair due to a medical condition called alopecia areata, which has no known cause or cure. This donation will provide prostheses to restore their self-esteem and their confidence, enabling them to face the world and their peers.
http://www.locksoflove.org/
19. Seniors First

Seniors First is a non-profit corporation, specializing in services to seniors and their families. They are dedicated to providing community education, through a free Speaker’s Bureau and serve as a valuable resource for anyone seeking services for a senior loved one. They deliver hot meals to seniors who are unable to cook for themselves. This donation will be used to purchase portable ovens to keep the food hot while being delivered. Also, it will fund gas cards for the van that transports the seniors, delivers their lunch, and help the volunteers that make these deliveries.
http://www.seniorsfirstinc.org/


Southeastern Guide Dogs’ mission is to create and nurture partnerships between visually impaired individuals and guide dogs, facilitating life’s journey with mobility, independence and dignity. Since 1982, they have provided more than 2,270 professionally and humanely trained guide dogs, at no charge, to visually impaired men and women throughout the United States. It takes almost two years and approximately $40,000 to prepare a successful guide dog team. Donation will go towards providing veterinary care for dogs and puppies in training, paying certified trainers who provide students and their new guides with 26 days of individualized instruction, and towards maintaining their onsite breeding program. http://www.guidedogs.org/default.asp

21. Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, Inc.

This Center was created in 1989 to provide housing for homeless families in a setting where they could remain together and not have to be split up in homeless shelters. The facility can house 30 families at any one time. In addition to food and housing the Center provides services such as counseling, employment, HIV/AIDS and nutrition, as well as after-school tutoring, social, recreational and spiritual programs. Donation will be used to offer individual grants of up to $750 to families transitioning out of shelter living into subsidized housing. http://www.trinitymiami.org/

22. Women in Distress of Broward County, Inc.

Women in Distress provides emergency shelter to abused women and their children. The 54-bed Shelter’s homelike setting creates a safe atmosphere so that clients feel secure while they obtain legal and medical assistance, permanent housing, and employment assistance. Residents of the shelter do not pay for housing, clothing, and non-perishable foods. Donation will be used to purchase food for the emergency centers. http://www.womenindistress.org/services.html
23. Wounded Warrior Project (FL and IL)

The Wounded Warrior Project (WWP) was founded on the principle that veterans are our nation’s greatest citizens. The WWP seeks to assist those men and women of our armed forces who have been severely injured during the conflicts in Iraq, Afghanistan, and other locations around the world. This charity is dedicated to bringing comfort and support to wounded servicemen and women and their families - reaching thousands. Donation will be used in helping wounded servicemen transition from the hospital bed to an independent life. http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/

HAWAII

24. H3 United Soccer Club

The United Soccer Club is committed to educating and developing youth players to their highest potential through the game of soccer. The Soccer Club offers this support to all youth players committed to the pursuit of excellence by providing the highest level of coaching. Donation will be used to purchase balls, goalies, conditioning equipment, fund player/coaches clinics, etc. http://www.haaheosoccerclub.com/mission.htm

ILLINOIS

25. American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) is the leading not-for-profit organization exclusively dedicated to understanding and preventing suicide through research and education, and to reaching out to people with mood disorders and those impacted by suicide. Donation will be used to fund research, education, and treatment to prevent suicide. http://www.afsp.org/

26. GiGi’s Playhouse

GiGi’s Playhouse celebrates the lives and showcases the talents and potential of individuals with Down syndrome. This builds the individual’s self-esteem and confidence as well as that of the parents. Funds will be used towards supporting the Literacy Program and new parent support. http://www.gigisplayhouse.com/

27. Gilda’s Club
The Mission at Gilda’s Club is to create welcoming communities of free support for everyone living with cancer - men, women, teens and children - along with their families and friends. Their innovative program is an essential complement to medical care, providing networking and support groups, workshops, education and social activities. Funds will be used towards providing support to cancer patients and their families. http://gildasclub.org

28. The Jeffrey

The Jeffrey Foundation is a non-profit organization that strives to improve the quality of life for multi handicapped and special needs children and their families through the development of community-based therapeutic, recreational, educational, and social programs. This day care center provides overburdened and resource-limited caretakers the opportunity to learn effective parenting skills, stress management, health education, and coping skills. The program has proved to decrease the likelihood of depression and lowered the instances of child abuse and/or neglect. Donation will be used to supplement the new Parent Center. http://www.thejeffreyfoundation.com/home.htm

Wounded Warrior Project (FL and IL)

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KENTUCKY

29. The Healing Place

The Healing Place is an organization that shelters and counsels patients who suffer from alcoholism, drug addiction and teenage drinking and provides men and women the opportunity to gain freedom from homelessness and from addiction. This donation will be used to provide food and supplies for the shelter. http://www.thehealingplace.org/

NEVADA

Autism Speaks, Inc. (FL, NV, NY)

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30. Corps for Compassion
Corps of Compassion is a grass roots organization dedicated to connecting survivors of disasters with available resources. The Corps, initially formed in response to Hurricane Katrina, is committed to developing leadership and community empowerment for adults and young people. The organization has assisted over 10,000 Katrina survivors and first responders through case management, facilitating government and other forms of aid. Its mission is to expand to include children in need. This donation will be used to provide food and water to homeless children. www.jointhecorps.org

31. Restart, Inc

ReStart Inc., an interfaith ministry for the homeless, is committed to providing shelter and supportive services to homeless men, women, youth and families with the goal of helping persons move toward independence and self-sufficiency. This charity provides emergency housing, meals and supportive services for the homeless people in Washoe County. Restart would use the donation for toiletries, laundry supplies, kitchen starter sets and other program services. http://www.restartinc.org/

NEW JERSEY

32. Hire a Hero

Hire a Hero is a non-profit initiative founded by the Armed Forces Support Foundation. The Armed Forces Support Foundation helps to keep the promise that military service has value and that those who serve our country deserve more than just a “thank you”. This donation will assist the program to place soldiers and marines in jobs after they serve their country. http://www.hireahero.org/

NEW MEXICO

33. Children’s Cancer Fund of New Mexico

The Children’s Cancer Fund of New Mexico exists to help children and their families cope with the day-to-day emotional, financial, and educational needs of living with and fighting cancer. Donation will be used towards funding scholarships for students who have undergone treatment for childhood cancer in New Mexico and wish to continue their education beyond high school. http://www.ccfnm.org/

NEW YORK

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Autism Speaks, Inc. (FL, NV, NY)

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34. Blooming Grove Day Care Center, Inc.

Established in 1972, the Blooming Grove Day Care Center provides quality childcare for children ages six weeks to eight years. Their programs offer hands-on activity-centered projects introducing children to basic learning concepts and skills. Funds will be used to purchase new playground equipment for low income children.  
http://www.bgucc.com/index.html

35. Ice Hockey In Harlem, Inc

Ice Hockey In Harlem, has helped thousands of needy youngsters learn a sport that would otherwise be financially unavailable to them. The objective of the organization is to provide inspiration, encouragement and guidance to children leading to better life experiences, education and career opportunities. Through its educational and community service components, IHIH has given its participants the tools to succeed in their schools and as solid citizens in their communities. Donation will be used towards 5 educational scholarships; $1,000 per student.  
http://www.icehockeyinharlem.org/donation.htm

36. Morning Madness

Morning Madness is an event that the PTA at Long Beach High School organizes to provide a safe party for graduating seniors to celebrate on prom night in a safe way which is alcohol and drug free. They strive to prevent intoxicated teenagers from driving on prom night. Donation will be used to support their chemical free after prom party program.  
http://www.lbsites.org/lbhsptsa/morningmadness.html

37. Slow Food USA

Slow Food is a non-profit, eco-gastronomic organization that was founded in 1989 to counteract fast food and fast life, the disappearance of local food traditions and people’s dwindling interest in the food they eat, where it comes from, how it tastes and how our food choices affect the rest of the world. Donation will be used towards supplies such as tables, tents, banners, flyers, fruits and vegetable seeds, and printed materials for on-going family education.  
http://www.slowfoodusa.org/about/index.html

OHIO
38. LaDor VaDor Intergenerational Programming

Meaning “Generation to Generation” in Hebrew, LaDor VaDor is reaching out and beginning an intergenerational initiative to form “foster families” between young families and older adults. These extended family units have so much to share and learn from each other and the seniors enjoy spending time with younger families who, in turn, see the wisdom and life experiences from the older adults. This donation will be used to help build these bridges connecting generations and will help defray the cost of programming expenses. http://www.bethdavidsynagogue.org/bulletin/2007/2007jul-aug.pdf

PENNSYLVANIA

39. Corvettes for Kids, Inc.

Corvettes for Kids’ purpose is to assist the families of children with life-threatening illnesses and disabling conditions. These families are enduring financial devastation due to the medical expenses associated with their child’s illness. The corporation conducts an annual Corvette show, the net proceeds of which benefit these local children. The Executive Board within the corporation screens potential beneficiaries, and selects the current year’s recipient. They also oversee and administer the outlay of funds to the children. The families are required to supply the corporation with continued medical documentation in order to maintain entitlement to assistance. The donation will be used to help cover medical bills not covered by insurance. http://www.corvettesforkidsinc.org/Start.htm

SOUTH CAROLINA

40. Grand Strand Junior Women’s Club

Their goal is to stop the cycle of domestic violence by offering help to all members of the family, and by educating the community about the serious and costly nature of the problem of domestic violence. The purpose of Citizen’s Against Spousal Abuse (CASA) is to provide emergency safe shelter, counseling and support for abused women and children. Funds will be directed toward hiring a full-time crisis counselor in North Myrtle Beach and Little River. http://www.grandstrandjwc.org/CASA/tabid/89/Default.aspx