

Windows of Opportunity



The  
**Stocker**  
FOUNDATION  
*Over 20 Years of Giving*

*October 1, 1999 through September 30, 2000*

## Our Mission

The mission of The Stocker Foundation is to respond to community needs where Trustees reside, and to positively impact lives in the areas of art, education, health, social services and women's issues. The Stocker Foundation seeks creative ideas and projects, both new and existing, that serve as a catalyst for constructive change to help build strong communities, to strengthen families, to provide sound educational programs and vital human services.

### Foundation Staff

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MAD Factory: A group of "actors" show off their costumes during summer drama camp. (Lorain Co.)

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## Greetings From the President



**A YEAR HAS PASSED** since we published the 20th anniversary celebration report of The Stocker Foundation. In that report, I told you of our beginnings in 1979 when we were established as a private grant making foundation from the estate of my husband, Paul Stocker. I also told you of the Foundation's growth during those twenty years, and how my three daughters and I continued, in a more organized way, some of the community service in which my husband and I had been involved. Now, I will try to encapsulate what we have been able to accomplish during the 1999-2000 fiscal year.

The Stocker Foundation continues to be very active in serving needs in Lorain County, Ohio, southern Arizona, and Las Cruces, New Mexico—the areas where our Trustees live and work, and which we know best. During the past year, The Stocker Foundation awarded almost \$2.4 million in grants, with about one-third of that amount for organizations in Lorain County, where we are based. About 35% of the total dollars were allocated to social service agencies. These agencies help meet the special needs of children, youth at-risk, families in crisis, displaced women—and more. We hope that these programs have helped to open some “windows of opportunity” to a better future of those served.

Along with immediate needs, we saw another one develop in many agencies. It is called “capacity building.” Here, we can help provide the “right tools” to do these jobs better and more easily. This includes providing funds for board training, upgrading technology, how to develop a workable strategic plan of operation—the *know-how*. This is a long slow process often requiring a great deal of time, understanding and patience for everyone. However results do show, and we see more “windows of opportunity” opening.

I am privileged to chair our seven member Board of Trustees consisting of my three daughters (Nancy Woodling, Jane Norton and Mary Ann Dobras), three of my grandchildren (Anne Woodling, Ben Norton and Brad Norton), and me. Several more family members serve on committees and help in many other constructive ways. Although we on the Board review all the proposals and set policies, we all work together to try to reach the best final decisions. Also in this process, our very dedicated and hard working staff do the myriad of business details, working directly with the agencies we serve, show us new opportunities of service, keep records—and help to keep us on track!

I am truly fortunate to be able to work side-by-side with my family and our staff as we open more “windows of opportunity” to help solve some of the problems we see, and hopefully to build communities of happier, healthier individuals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Beth K. Stocker". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Beth K. Stocker

## Letter from the Executive Director

**L**AST YEAR WAS THE FIRST YEAR in which The Stocker Foundation created an annual report. It was a very exciting process for Trustees and staff and reflected a proud twenty years of giving of the Foundation. As a result of that annual report, forty-five organizations from each of the three communities served (Lorain County, Ohio; southern Arizona; and Doña Ana County, New Mexico) applied for, and received grants for the first time. In 1999-2000, The Stocker Foundation partnered with a total of 159 non-profits that offered creative solutions to issues facing their respective communities.

This year's annual report is entitled *Windows of Opportunity*, illustrating the thoughtful grantmaking associated with The Stocker Foundation. When one considers the term "window", numerous terms come to mind – focus, view, vision, and reflection, to name a few. These words represent the essence of effective decision making that the Trustees employ in selecting projects. Making grants is an opportunity to look beyond the issues facing today's communities and, instead, to offer hope for solution.

I have come to understand that the philosophy of the Trustees is such that strategically significant investments in individuals, ideas, and projects that promise demonstrable long-range public benefits are not contingent upon the size of a grant. Often, these grants have the



**Young Audiences of Santa Cruz County:** Children from a second grade classroom at San Cayetano Elementary School help to dedicate a mural. (S.AZ)

desired outcome of multiplying dollars with support from other sources. This report highlights three organizations that received grants of modest size, which will make a significant impact in their respective communities. Those organizations are The Phoenix Center for Grieving Children in Elyria, Ohio, The YWCA of Tucson, Arizona, and The Community Playground Committee in Las Cruces, New Mexico. After reading the highlights of their unique projects, I'm sure you will join me in saluting these organizations.

Other noteworthy items in the past year include the Foundation's application of internal upgrades in its grant processing, database management, and data analysis through the implementation of a grants management software program. As the number of proposals submitted increased as well as the number of projects it funded, the Foundation looked for ways to increase its effectiveness in this area of operations. In addition, Trustees and staff worked with The Nord Family Foundation and the Ohio Grantmakers Forum to present *Here's How We Do It At Our Place*. This all-day workshop gave representatives from foundations throughout Ohio an opportunity to share best practices with others in the field on a number of topics relevant to today's foundations.

It was a remarkable year for this organization and I was honored to serve as the first non-family Executive Director of The Stocker Foundation. I have been inspired by the opportunity to work alongside many bright and passionate men and women determined to improve their respective communities. I have learned from my colleagues and benefited from the wisdom of the Foundation's Board and staff. I want to thank Beth Stocker for sharing her values, her sage view of philanthropy, and also the responsibilities that go along with grantmaking. This Foundation does indeed provide *Windows of Opportunity* in the communities it serves.

Sincerely,

*Ellen D. Bricmont*  
Ellen D. Bricmont

*Ms. Bricmont served as the Foundation's Executive Director from May 1999 until December 1, 2000. Until a permanent executive director is named, Patricia O'Brien will serve in the capacity of Interim Executive Director.*

## History of The Stocker Foundation



### Board of Trustees:

Front row: Anne Woodling  
and Beth K. Stocker

Middle row: Nancy Woodling,  
Jane Norton and Mary Ann Dobras

Back row: Benjamin P. Norton  
and Bradley S. Norton

**T**HE STOCKER FOUNDATION is a private grant-making foundation established in 1979 by Beth K. Stocker, from the estate of her husband, C. Paul Stocker.

During their life together, Paul and Beth Stocker incorporated their personal values with their philanthropic spirit of giving to the arts, education, youth and self-help for the disadvantaged and disabled. Upon establishing The Stocker Foundation, Beth Stocker, with the help of her three daughters, championed those interests and formulated the guiding principles of the Foundation. Over the years, other fields of interest have been added reflecting the priorities of the Trustees, and the changing needs of the communities served.

Paul Stocker, an electrical engineer and inventor, co-founded Lorain Products Corporation in 1936. Under his leadership, Lorain Products grew from a one-room operation to a multi-plant manufacturing facility of telecommunications equipment. It maintained a worldwide reputation for quality products, service and dependability in the telephone industry. Upon Mr. Stocker's retirement in 1973, Lorain Products Corporation became a subsidiary of Reliance Electric. During the last twenty years, the company has experienced several mergers and acquisitions. It continues to be a major employer in Lorain County. With a strong engineering and manufacturing presence, it remains a leader in the telecommunications equipment industry serving a global market.

### Summary of Grants: 1979 – 2000

Arts/Culture	18%	\$2,694,575
Community Needs	8%	\$1,208,268
Education	23%	\$3,591,692
Health	8%	\$1,280,064
Social Services	35%	\$5,375,329
Women's Issues	8%	\$1,220,422
<b>Grant Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$15,370,350</b>



## Arts and Culture

Total Giving to Arts and Culture 1979-2000: \$2,694,575

**T**HE FOUNDATION supports the operation and expansion of organizations that provide access to the arts, especially for youth. In 1997, the Foundation demonstrated its steadfast commitment to the arts by establishing *The Stocker Foundation Fine Arts and Literacy Initiative*. This five-year initiative will provide “pass through” and permanent endowment support to each of twenty-five school districts served (Lorain County, Ohio; Tucson, Arizona and Las Cruces, New Mexico.) In 1999-2000, the Foundation funded 31 projects for a total of \$221,336.

### *American Southwest Theatre Company*

\$7,044 toward the expansion of educational outreach to include the Gadsden School District and the fees associated with hiring a guest costume designer. (Las Cruces, NM)

### *Arizona Opera*

\$4,000 toward the expansion of *Opera Look-In*, a program that will provide children and families with an opportunity to experience the behind-the-scenes aspects of an opera production. (S. AZ)

### *Arizona Theatre Company*

\$5,000 toward the continuation of the *Student Matinee Program* for schools and other youth serving organizations in the Greater Tucson area that do not have access to the arts. (S. AZ)

### *ArtsReach*

\$15,000 toward a creative writing program, a component of the educational curriculum available to Native American youth in Pima County. (S. AZ)

### *Border Book Festival*

\$10,000 toward *Emerging Voices*, a component of a creative writing program designed for school-aged youth as well as for the Las Cruces community. (Las Cruces, NM)

### *Borderland Theater*

\$4,000 toward the continuation of an internship/mentoring program that introduces at-risk youth to on-stage and back-stage production. (S. AZ)



**Cleveland Opera on Tour:** These Kindergarten “rabbits” excitedly hop through the performance of their opera, “Tops and Bottoms”.

(Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

### *Branigan Cultural Center*

\$15,000 toward the continuation of *Another Planet: Voices from Las Cruces*, an inter-disciplinary collaborative arts project for middle school children. (Las Cruces, NM)

### *Choral Spectrum*

\$5,500 toward the modernization of an information system, that will allow this adult singing group to produce higher quality marketing/graphic materials and to carry out day-to-day administrative functions in a more efficient manner. (Lorain Co.)

### *Cleveland Center for Contemporary Art*

\$10,000 toward the expansion of a comprehensive *School-to-Museum* program that will include students from Lorain County. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

### *Cleveland Opera on Tour*

\$7,500 toward the continuation of *Music Words Opera*, an outreach program that introduces opera and musical theater to elementary schools throughout Lorain County. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)



**New Mexico State University:** Student actors perform during the Summer Dance Institute. (Las Cruces, NM)

***Cleveland Public Theatre***

\$5,000 toward the continuation of *ACT Now! Lorain!*, a theater program that is designed to expose at-risk youth, ages 12-15, to the theater arts. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

***Desert Voices***

\$2,000 to widen a local Tucson choral group's audience base by providing professional interpreters at each concert during the 2000-01 performance season. (S. AZ)

***Elyria City Schools***

\$7,500 toward the implementation of a theater/mime program at Edison School. This program will help children with specific behavioral problems learn effective techniques to build their confidence and to appropriately express their feelings. (Lorain Co.)

***Firelands Symphony Orchestra***

\$12,000 toward the next three performance seasons presented at the Lorain Palace Civic Center. (Lorain Co.)

***Great Lakes Theater Festival***

\$8,000 toward the continuation of an outreach program that is designed to connect classical theater to commonplace adolescent situations at middle and high schools in Lorain County. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

***Heavy Metal Brass Quintet***

\$1,500 toward educational activities associated with *Brassfest*, an intensive master-level workshop designed for high school music students. (S. AZ)

***House of Neighborly Service***

\$12,500 toward the continuation of a *Baile Folklorico* program for youth ages 3-18, living in the south Tucson area. (S. AZ)



**House of Neighborly Service:** Three girls participate in a *Baile Folklorico* program that is offered during summer and fall. (S. AZ)

***Lorain County Community College Foundation***

\$2,000 toward the costs associated with implementing the Toni Morrison Society's jazz reception and forum. (Lorain Co.)

***Lyrical Opera Cleveland***

\$3,500 toward the continuation of an educational outreach program for Lorain County elementary and middle school students. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

***MAD Factory***

\$10,000 toward the implementation of a comprehensive year-round arts education program of dance, drama and puppetry for youth ages 6-18. (Lorain Co.)

***Messengers of God***

\$5,000 toward the transportation needs of at-risk youth participating in structured year-round arts education (mime/dance) program. (Lorain Co.)



**Border Book Festival:** A student begins to write a poem that will be included in an annual publication, *Dreams of Children*. (Las Cruces, NM)



**Cleveland Center for Contemporary Art:**

Two students proudly display their artwork after attending one of the *School-to-Museum* programs. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

**New Mexico State University—*Summer Dance Institute***  
\$3,850 to provide scholarships for underserved youth to attend the *Summer Dance Institute*, a nine-week course that exposes youth to a variety of dance forms. (Las Cruces, NM)

**Northern Ohio Children's *Performing Music Foundation***  
\$1,500 toward the Singing Angels annual *Christmas Caroling Crusade* at area nursing homes and senior centers throughout Lorain County. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

**Oberlin City School District**  
\$5,000 toward the implementation of a multidisciplinary dance and drama residency program for students at Eastwood Elementary School. (Lorain Co.)

**Ohio Dance Theatre**  
\$8,142 toward the implementation of the *One Woman Show* to be presented during Black History month, a component of the 1999-2000 *Dance Live! Program*. (Lorain Co.)

**Patriots Community Band**  
\$2,500 toward the purchase of percussion instruments that will allow the band to expand its performance capabilities and to perform a wider array of musical arrangements. (Lorain Co.)

**Stocker Humanities and Fine Arts Center**

\$14,000 in support of the 1999-2000 performance season that includes music, drama, gallery exhibits, student matinees, foreign films, and special events throughout the year. (Lorain Co.)

**Tucson Symphony Orchestra**  
\$10,000 to support the continuation of the Symphony's music education program for preschoolers and students in grades K-12. (S. AZ)

**Tucson/Pima Arts Council**  
\$9,300 toward the implementation of a multi-media art based program for at-risk students in grades 9-12. (S. AZ)

**University of Arizona—UApresents**  
\$5,000 to support the *Kidsfare Fund for School Time Matinees*, a ticket subsidy program for youth under the age of 18 who are participating in the *Student Matinee Program*. (S. AZ)

**Young Audiences of Santa Cruz County**  
\$10,000 toward artist residency programs at elementary schools where art education was previously inaccessible. (S. AZ)



## Community Needs

Total Giving to Community Needs 1979-2000: \$1,208,268

**T**HE FOUNDATION supports community revitalization efforts, which promote sustainable practices and partnerships. Special preference is shown to organizations that possess a *can-do attitude*. In 1999-2000, the Foundation funded 27 projects for a total of \$310,720.

### *American Civil Liberties Union*

\$1,500 to support the distribution of teen health guides throughout Lorain County. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

### *Avon Lake City Schools*

\$5,000 to assist in the purchase of ADA compliant playground equipment at Redwood Elementary School. (Lorain Co.)

### *Black River Audubon Society of Lorain County*

\$5,500 toward the establishment of two environmental conservation areas that will educate residents about native bird and plant life found in Lorain County. (Lorain Co.)

### *Black River Historical Society*

\$5,500 to support strategic planning as well as the evaluation of historical photographs that highlight Lorain's industrial heritage. (Lorain Co.)

### *City of Oberlin*

\$5,000 toward the establishment and implementation of *Main Street* programs and annual events that will help to strengthen the community's existing economic base. (Lorain Co.)

### *Cleveland Restoration Society*

\$10,000 to provide architectural preservation technical assistance to commercial property owners in the *Main Street* communities of Lorain, Elyria, Oberlin and Wellington. Additionally, the organization will host a countywide *Historic Preservation* forum regarding economic development, affordable housing, and community revitalization. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

### *Columbia Local School District*

\$5,000 to assist in the purchase of playground equipment at Copopa Elementary School. (Lorain Co.)

### *Community Foundation for Southern Arizona*

\$5,000 to encourage tolerance, and to educate youth who are affected by gay/lesbian issues. (S. AZ)



### *Doña Ana County Humane Society:*

Students look on as a veterinarian provides medical attention. (Las Cruces, NM)

### *Community Playground Committee*

\$15,000 to support the design and build phases of a playground that will benefit the entire community. (Las Cruces, NM)

### *Doña Ana County Humane Society*

\$2,500 to support the establishment of *Animal Shelter Leader*, a program designed to teach at-risk youth how to care for and handle animals. (Las Cruces, NM)

### *Downtown Wellington, Inc.*

\$5,000 to support the continued growth of the *Main Street* approach as it relates to economic stability and growth in the community. (Lorain Co.)

### *Elyria City Schools*

\$5,000 to assist in the purchase of playground equipment at Erie Elementary School. (Lorain Co.)



**Seventh Generation:** Volunteers help to plant several flats of annuals at a newly created community garden. (Lorain Co.)

# A look at Las Cruces, New Mexico

## Las Cruces Community Playground Project

The Las Cruces Community Playground Project was organized to bring children and adults together to design and build an innovative playground that will provide a unique play experience for youth, serve as a gathering place for families, and as a source of pride for the entire Las Cruces community. (The fiscal agent for this group is the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico.) This is a volunteer driven, grassroots project comprised of twenty-four individuals who represent a variety of professions and lifestyles. Las Cruces has a total population of 75,000; an estimated 35% of the county's residents are between the ages of five and seventeen. The project budget for the community playground is approximately \$370,000.

The Stocker Foundation awarded The Las Cruces Community Playground Project a grant for \$15,000 to "jump start" the Committee's efforts. A significant portion of the grant, \$10,000, was awarded in the form of a challenge to encourage giving among community members. Funding from the Foundation enabled the Playground Committee to enter into a formal agreement with an architectural firm.

Kids look on as Robert Leathers takes their ideas and creates what will be the most exciting, creative park in Las Cruces.



This firm has developed a unique process that leads participants through each step of the design process, ensuring the finished playground meets the specific needs of the community. Thus far, two Design Days have been held. On the first Design Day, architect Robert Leathers, together with more than forty community volunteers, gathered to brainstorm and provide ideas for features to be included in the playground. In addition, hundreds of children from sixteen public and private elementary schools, preschools and after school programs submitted suggestions about how the playground should look and what type of playground equipment it should contain. The day concluded with a public viewing of a highly innovative, state-of-the-art playground design that Mr. Leathers had developed over the course of the day. Two months later, a second Design Day was held. Mr. Leathers met with sixty artists, parents and

children to follow-up on the initial design concepts, as well as to find ways to have the playground reflect the distinctive history and culture of Las Cruces. At that time, a build date of November 2001 was established.

By the year's end, The Las Cruces Community Playground Committee had successfully raised more than \$60,000. In addition, the Committee announced the official site of the playground, while continuing to prepare and schedule many more grassroots fundraising events for 2001. Anyone for "Cow Chip" bingo?



**Main Street Lorain Development Corporation:** Local businessmen enjoy the sunshine at a noontime summer event that featured local entertainment and restaurateurs. (Lorain Co.)

***Elyria Parks & Recreation Department***

\$3,200 to re-establish a fine arts curriculum within the *Open Recreation Program* for youth in grades K-12. (Lorain Co.)

***Grassroots Leadership Development Program of Lorain County***

\$6,000 toward the *Grant Writing Assistance Program*, taught to enhance the skills of emerging grassroots leaders in Lorain County. (Lorain Co.)

***La Casa, Inc.***

\$20,000 to support educational and recreational activities for children who are living at La Casa Domestic Violence Shelter. (Las Cruces, NM)

***Leadership Lorain County***

\$7,500 to support the continuation of an annual program for community leaders who are dedicated to improving Lorain County's quality of life. (Lorain Co.)

***Lorain County Community Alliance***

\$11,520 to aid the Alliance in its ability to connect government officials with accurate and timely information. (Lorain Co.)

***Lorain County Metro Parks***

\$50,000 to support the growth of the Metro Park system through the development of a regional family aquatic center. (Lorain Co.)

***Main Street Elyria***

\$5,000 toward the rehabilitation of historic buildings and to encourage supportive new construction and long-term planning. (Lorain Co.)

***Mainstreet Lorain Development Corporation***

\$5,000 to support the continued improvement of Lorain's central business district through the use of the *Main Street Four Point Approach* to revitalization. (Lorain Co.)



**Oberlin Community Services:** A program participant checks-in with a volunteer to pick up food supplies. (Lorain Co.)



**South Lorain Community Development Corporation:** A completed home is ready for purchase through this organization's *Homeward Bound Program*. (Lorain Co.)

***Oberlin Bike Co-op***

\$7,500 to support the continuation of a program that teaches bicycle maintenance as well as job-readiness skills to youth throughout Lorain County. (Lorain Co.)

***Oberlin Community Services***

\$50,000 to support the purchase of equipment and furniture at the permanent location of the organization. Items will assist the organization to respond effectively to the basic needs of those living in southern Lorain County. (Lorain Co.)

***Seventh Generation***

\$15,000 to support the continuation of the *Beautification Program*, an undertaking that provides residents of Lorain County with opportunities to improve their physical surroundings. (Lorain Co.)

***Sheffield Lake Park Pals***

\$5,000 to support the development and implementation of a playground that will benefit the entire community. (Lorain County)

***South Lorain Community Development Corporation***

\$20,000 for the expenses related to implementing the *Community Redevelopment Program* for residents of south Lorain. (Lorain Co.)



**Columbia Local School District:** Students at Copopa Elementary School enjoy this newly created playground. (Lorain Co.)

***Volunteer Action Center***

\$15,000 to address Lorain County's need for volunteers by matching skills and interests of volunteers with the needs of nonprofit organizations. (Lorain Co.)

***Volunteer Center of Tucson***

\$20,000 to support the establishment of a permanent location so that the organization can meet the growing need of nonprofit organizations throughout the Greater Tucson community. (S. AZ)



## Education

Total Giving to Education 1979-2000: \$3,591,692

**T**HE FOUNDATION supports educational organizations that promote personal growth and development through traditional and non-traditional methods of teaching children and adults. In 1999-2000, the Foundation funded 22 projects for a total of \$220,905.

### *Access Program*

\$8,750 toward Year Three of the organization's expansion project that will provide middle and high school students with advisory services, mentoring opportunities and information regarding secondary educational opportunities.

*(Lorain Co.)*

### *Arizona Aerospace Foundation*

\$8,000 to support the translation of curriculum materials from English to Spanish, and the partial support of a bilingual Flight Director. *(S. AZ)*

### *Campaign for Manufacturing Advancement (CAMP)*

\$10,000 to support the establishment of a resource lab that will increase vocational awareness, readiness and employability of students and entry-level workers throughout Lorain County and northeast Ohio. *(Other: Service to Lorain Co.)*

### *Center for Leadership in Education*

\$40,000 (over two years) to support the implementation of a two-year program, which will provide administrators/educators with opportunities to advance their districts, and to raise levels of student achievement throughout Lorain County. *(Lorain Co.)*

### *Cleveland Museum of Natural History*

\$5,000 to support the implementation of an *Early Childhood Learning Center* at the Museum that will provide age-appropriate natural science programs for pre-school children and their families. *(Other: Service to Lorain Co.)*

### *Common Ground*

\$22,800 to support the continuation and expansion of a year-round outdoor education program for school-aged children. *(Lorain Co.)*

### *Education Enrichment Reading Program*

\$20,000 to support the continuation of an after school tutorial program for students in grades K-12 through technology upgrades and classroom materials. *(S. AZ)*



### **Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation:**

A student displays his finished product from the *Design Your Dream Space* program. *(S. AZ)*

### *Educational Television Association of Metropolitan Cleveland*

\$10,500 to provide WVIZ/PBS the resources to offer *Reading Rainbow*, an educational television program that is used as a teaching tool in school districts throughout Lorain County. *(Other: Service to Lorain Co.)*

### *Elyria City Schools*

\$5,000 to support the purchase of an FM sound-field amplification system, which will enhance the listening environment of students at Ely Elementary School. *(Lorain Co.)*

### *Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation*

\$2,665 to support the continuation of *Design Your Dream Space*, an architectural-based program offered at Homer Davis Elementary School. *(S. AZ)*

### *Great Lakes Science Center*

\$10,000 to support the implementation of *Mostly Music*, a traveling exhibition designed to explore the science/technology of music and sound in a hands-on environment. *(Other: Service to Lorain Co.)*



**Reading Rainbow:** Host, LaVar Burton visits with several students who watch this educational program daily at school.

*(Other: Service to Lorain Co.)*



***Inventure Place***

\$4,000 to support the continuation of *Camp Invention*, a hands-on science summer camp offered to elementary school aged children throughout Lorain County.

(Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

***Lorain County Prevention Connection***

\$10,000 to support the implementation of *Safe Schools 2000*, a series of violence prevention programs designed for school-aged children.

(Lorain Co.)

***Native Seeds/SEARCH***

\$10,000 to support the continuation/enhancement of the organization's educational activities with the addition of a Conservation Education Coordinator. (S.AZ)

***Northern Ohio Special Education Regional Resource Center***

\$6,940 to purchase additional puppets and scripts to enhance *Kids on the Block*, an outreach program that educates youth about disabilities, educational/medical differences and social concerns. (Lorain Co.)

***Oberlin City Schools***

\$10,000 to support the implementation of the *Oberlin Technology Institute*, a project that will train teachers on "best practices" associated with integrating technology into day-to-day classroom curriculum.

(Lorain Co.)

***Oberlin Public Library***

\$10,000 to support the establishment of a technology center that will address the issue of "digital divide" on a community-wide basis.

(Lorain Co.)

***Old Pueblo Archaeology Center of Tucson***

\$5,000 to support the expansion of the organization's outreach by offering students in underserved classrooms an opportunity to visit and participate in the *OPENI* excavation program. (S. AZ)

***Sheffield-Sheffield Lake City Schools***

\$7,000 to support the continuation of *PACE*, a service-learning program for juniors and seniors at Brookside High School. (Lorain Co.)

***Town Hall of Cleveland***

\$2,750 to continue providing Lorain County high school students with an opportunity to attend this lecture series that features prominent national and international speakers.

(Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

***WCPN/Cleveland Public Radio***

\$7,500 toward the continuation of local news and special interest features presented to a Lorain County radio audience. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

***Wright Flight***

\$5,000 to support the expansion of a *Motivational Education Program* that combines academic achievement with aviation for at-risk youth in grades 4-12. (S. AZ)



**Town Hall of Cleveland:** High school students ask questions of a speaker during a "Q&A" session.

(Other: Service to Lorain Co.)



**Wright Flight:** Tohono O'odoham youth participate in the *Motivational Education Program*. (S. AZ)

## Health

Total Giving to Health 1979-2000: \$1,280,064

**T**HE FOUNDATION supports organizations that provide basic medical services and equipment to those in need, with emphasis on programs that serve the disadvantaged and underserved populations. In 1999-2000, the Foundation funded 16 projects for a total of \$185,356.

### *American Heart Association*

\$1,500 to support the placement of *HeartPower* and *Kids Can Make a Difference* kits in classrooms throughout the Tucson community. (S. AZ)

### *Arizona Women's Cancer Network*

\$5,500 to provide fifty scholarships for women living in Cochise, Pima or Santa Cruz Counties with an opportunity to attend an annual conference concerning breast and cervical cancer. (S. AZ)

### *Arthritis Foundation*

\$11,500 toward Year Two of *Arthritis Answers*, a telephone referral service program that provides current information concerning arthritis and arthritis-related diseases. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

### *Community HealthWorks*

\$12,900 to support the establishment of a *Family Health Center* in the community of Flowing Wells through the purchase of a telephone/intercom system. (S. AZ)

### *Easter Seals*

\$7,417 to support the expansion of the *Pediatric Mobility Loan Program* for families with children ages birth to three, who have developmental delays due to health impairments. (Lorain Co.)

### *Elyria Club of Negro Business and Professional Women*

\$7,500 to support the continuation of the *Tri-City Lupus Project*, which provides supportive services and educational opportunities to minority individuals living with lupus. (Lorain Co.)

### *Health Museum of Cleveland*

\$5,000 to support the continuation of *Health on Wheels*, a program that provides age-appropriate health information to middle and high school students. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

### **Arthritis Foundation:**

A volunteer cheerfully provides information regarding arthritis and arthritis-related diseases to a caller. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)



### *Jewish Family & Children's Services of Southern Arizona*

\$5,000 to support the incorporation of a *Medical Equipment Loan Program* into the organization's day-to-day activities as well as to purchase high demand medical equipment. (S. AZ)

### *Kidney Foundation of Ohio*

\$5,000 to provide fifteen "camper-ships" for children living in Lorain County to participate in a traditional summer camp experience. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

### *Lorain County Free Clinic*

\$10,000 to support the continuation of the *Prescription Drug Program* that provides much needed medicine to individuals without medical coverage or financial resources. (Lorain Co.)



**Kidney Foundation of Ohio:** Lorain County youth enjoy water activities while attending the *Summer 2000 Pediatric Camping Program*. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

**Mesilla Valley Hospice**

\$20,000 to support the expansion of the *Children's Program* within the *Center for Grief Services* and to develop a Spanish language component for the program. (Las Cruces, NM)

**Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation**

\$10,000 to sustain, nurture and grow the organization's Volunteer Resource Department, so that volunteers can continue to provide an array of community-based prevention programs and services to those living with HIV/AIDS. (S. AZ)

**St. Luke's Health Care Clinic**

\$30,000 to support the creation of a strategic plan, and to establish a permanent endowment to ensure that the homeless and near-homeless have an opportunity to receive basic medical care. (Las Cruces, NM)

**Tucson Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired**

\$24,039 to provide real-world, readily-transferable training for clients through the upgrade and purchase of adaptive technology software, and for the continuation of a Job Development Trainer. (S. AZ)

**University Hospitals Health Systems**

\$15,000 to support the expansion and certification of the Greater Cleveland Poison Control Center of Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital to ensure continued service to Lorain County. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

**Vision Rehabilitation**

\$15,000 to support the purchase of assistive technology equipment that will provide visually impaired individuals with opportunities to lead more independent lives. (Lorain Co.)

**Arizona Women's Cancer Network:**

Several women from southern Arizona are given an opportunity to attend this annual conference to learn more about breast and cervical cancer. (S. AZ)



## Social Services

Total Giving to Social Services 1979-2000: \$5,375,329

**T**HE FOUNDATION supports organizations that provide direct services to people in crisis as well as long-term efforts that help people to help themselves. In 1999-2000, the Foundation funded 47 projects for a total of \$580,767.

### *Adoption Network Cleveland*

\$8,000 to support a satellite office in Lorain County that will serve all members of the adoption triad (adoptee, adoptive parent and birth-parent). (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

### *Arizona-Mexico Border Health Foundation*

\$10,000 to support the *Compañeros Cochise Community Program*, a voluntary health and welfare program for those living in Douglas, Arizona. (S. AZ)

### *Arizona's Children Foundation*

\$15,000 toward the expansion of *First Steps*, a program offered through Parent Connection to benefit underserved children from birth to age five, who live in Pima County. (S. AZ)

### *Association for Children for Enforcement of Support (ACES)*

\$5,000 to support *2000 Arizona*, a program that will increase opportunities for advocacy and training in Santa Cruz and Cochise Counties. The program will also work with local media to raise awareness about children who live in poverty due to non-compliance of child support orders. (S. AZ)

### *Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lorain County*

\$10,000 to support the implementation of the *Racial Diversity* component of a comprehensive long-range plan that will provide a focused effort to increase one-to-one mentoring relationships between adult male volunteers and youth. (Lorain Co.)

**Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lorain County:** A big and little enjoy a quiet moment together. (Lorain Co.)



### *Big Brothers Big Sisters of Tucson*

\$15,000 to support the continuation of *Campus Pals*, a mentoring program that pairs University of Arizona students with at-risk adolescents from the Greater Tucson community. (S. AZ)

### *Boys & Girls Clubs of Lorain County*

\$20,000 to support the expansion of membership in the Club by offering after-school academic and recreational programs to students in the Firelands, Midview and Wellington school districts. (Lorain Co.)

### *Casa De Esperanza*

\$7,500 to support the purchase of a wheelchair accessible van that will be used to transport seniors and those living in rural areas of Pima County to the Casa Community Center for daily activities. (S. AZ)

### *Casa de los Niños*

\$7,547 to support the implementation of *CAPTLE* (Child Abuse Prevention through Legal Education) a community-wide program designed to explain laws, procedures and social agencies' responsibilities to a families in crisis. (S. AZ)

### *Catalina Boy Scouts of America*

\$5,000 to support the implementation of *ScoutReach*, a program geared to serve urban youth attending Hollinger, C.E. Rose, Lynn-Urquides and Mission View schools in south Tucson. (S. AZ)

### *Catholic Community Services of Cochise County*

\$15,000 to support the establishment of a children's program at the House of Hope Domestic Crisis Center. (S. AZ)

### *Child Care Resource Center*

\$10,000 to support the installation and operation of a statewide computer program that standardizes tracking and reporting of childcare information for providers and parents. (Lorain Co.)

### *Children To Children*

\$8,625 to paint, furnish and decorate three group rooms, and to repair and reassemble a playground and irrigation system. (S. AZ)



# A look at Lorain County, Ohio

## The Phoenix Center for Grieving Children

In 1994, The Phoenix Center for Grieving Children was established to provide counseling, support, education and resources for grieving children, adolescents and the adults in their lives. Because the needs of grieving children are so diverse, The Phoenix Center offers a wide range of specialized services for children and adolescents between the ages of five and eighteen. Comprehensive services include:

- Individual Grief Counseling
- Parent/Guardian Support Groups
- Camp Care
- Holiday Programs
- Information and Referral
- School Programs
- Grief Support Groups
- Parent Consultation
- Community Education
- Resource Library

The Phoenix Center has a full time staff of four, several volunteers, and at times, Master's level interns. The annual operating budget for this organization is approximately \$200,000.

The Stocker Foundation awarded The Phoenix Center a grant for \$17,000 to expand the organization's Resource Library.

Phoenix Center volunteers work to process new resource materials.



The primary goal of the expansion is to develop the most comprehensive, up-to-date library in Lorain County pertaining to death, dying and grief, with specific attention to children and adolescents. Over the past several months more than 650 books, audio and video tapes have been added to the existing collection. The expansion of the Resource Library has allowed Phoenix Center staff to indirectly support grieving children by supporting the adults in their lives. Resources that help adults to effectively address and cope with their own grief can enable them to be more emotionally available and supportive to their grieving child.

As a result of this grant, Phoenix Center staff has been able to work with area school districts to make these materials available to approximately 100 schools in Lorain County. The first step to accomplish this will be to prepare and distribute bibliographies to school librarians and guidance counselors. Specific books can be requested, picked up, and returned through the "van mail" system of each school. This collaboration between The Phoenix Center and area schools will be provided at no cost to the school or student.





**The Salvation Army – Elyria:**

A group of youth enjoy a field trip during summer day camp. (Lorain Co.)

**Children’s Clinics for Rehabilitative Services**

\$10,000 to support the establishment of a *Pastoral Care Outreach Program* to help families that are coping with a child who has complex or multiple medical problems, chronic disabling conditions or terminal illness. (S. AZ)

**Community Health Partners Foundation**

\$17,000 to increase the materials available at the *Resource Library* of the *Phoenix Center for Grieving Children*—an organization that provides children/youth with counseling, support and education following traumatic situations. (Lorain Co.)

**Conflict Resolution Center of the West Shore**

\$10,000 to support the continuation of the *Juvenile Diversion Project*, which brings educators, police, parents and at-risk youth together to resolve conflicts that often lead to police intervention or cases filed in court. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

**Desert Waste Not Warehouse**

\$5,000 to support Phase II of the *Genesis Project*, a strategic plan designed to move the organization toward self-sufficiency. (S. AZ)

**Devereux Arizona**

\$15,570 to support the organization’s purpose to provide high quality human services to children, adults and families with special needs, which are derived from behavioral, psychological, intellectual or neurological impairments. (S. AZ)

**Douglas Area Food Bank**

\$5,000 to support the disbursement of emergency food boxes, and to provide community education to those living in the Douglas community. (S. AZ)

**El Centro De Servicios Sociales**

\$5,000 toward Year Three of the *Resource Development Program* that was established to provide financial support for programs that will benefit the Hispanic community. (Lorain Co.)

**Family Focus Center**

\$5,500 to support *S.K.I.P. (Support for Kids with Incarcerated Parents)*, a program that addresses specific issues children cope with when a parent is incarcerated. (Lorain Co.)

**Food Rescue of Northeast Ohio**

\$15,000 to support *Alleviating Hunger 2000*, a program designed to provide an additional 17,300 meals and 25,000 pounds of food items for Lorain County to distribute. (Other: Service to Lorain Co.)

**Goodwill Industries of Southern Arizona**

\$20,000 to support the improvement of existing services through the installation of an effective communication system. (S. AZ)



Goodwill Industries of Southern Arizona: A program participant is hard at work. (S.AZ)

***Horizon Activity Centers***

\$6,000 toward the purchase of outdoor playground equipment at the Garfield site in Central Lorain.  
*(Other: Service to Lorain Co.)*

***Information & Referral Services***

\$7,500 to support the replacement of an information system for *Lifeline*, a program that provides 24-hour emergency response to frail elderly or disabled individuals. *(S. AZ)*

***Jardín De Los Niños***

\$25,000 to build a permanent endowment that will support the needs of homeless children living in Doña Ana County. *(Las Cruces, NM)*

***Las Familias***

\$12,500 to support the continuation of *Project New Start*, a program that addresses the dual issues of sexual and substance abuse for youth through individual and group counseling. *(S. AZ)*

***Life Share—Lorain County Blood Bank***

\$10,000 toward the purchase of two, five-bed bloodmobiles to increase the collection of blood throughout Lorain County and northeast Ohio. *(Lorain Co.)*

***Linden School***

\$9,600 toward the construction of an outdoor play system that will aid in the physical and mental development of the children attending this day care facility. *(Lorain Co.)*

***Lorain County Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services***

\$15,000 toward the establishment of treatment sites in southern Lorain County for the *Adolescent Outpatient Drug and Alcohol Program*. *(Lorain Co.)*

***Lorain County Family YMCA***

\$15,000 to strengthen this organization ability to serve the community by adding staff in the areas of youth/family programs, marketing and human resources. *(Lorain Co.)*

***Lorain County Urban League***

\$4,000 to engage several interns to assist in the research phase of the State of Lorain County's African-American and Latino study.  
*(Lorain Co.)*

***Mesilla Valley CASA***

\$15,000 toward the elimination of child abuse through a court appointed program, and to support the organization's mission to advocate for the rights of children.  
*(Las Cruces, NM)*



**Mobile Meals of Tucson:** Drivers prepare to deliver meals using heat-safe containers. *(S. AZ)*



**The Salvation Army – Lorain:** A volunteer helps to prepare a student to take the proficiency test.  
*(Lorain Co.)*

***Mesilla Valley Community of Hope***

\$12,000 toward the purchase of a walk-in freezer at El Caldito, a soup kitchen that provides noontime meals for the homeless and near homeless of Doña Ana County.

*(Las Cruces, NM)*

***Mobile Meals of Tucson***

\$10,000 to support a special subsidy fund to assist with the revolving financial needs of fixed-income clients receiving daily home meal delivery service. *(S. AZ)*

***Neighborhood House Association of Lorain County***

\$61,250 (over two years) to support organizational self-sufficiency through the fulfillment of a comprehensive three-year strategic plan. *(Lorain Co.)*

***Oberlin Early Childhood Center***

\$5,000 toward the completion of *The Playscape Project*, an outdoor playground for children (three months to eight years) who attend this day care facility. *(Lorain Co.)*

***Ohio Hunger Task Force***

\$5,000 to support after school and summer food programs for children and adolescents throughout Lorain County. *(Other: Service to Lorain Co.)*

***OUR Town Family Center***

\$30,000 to support the establishment of *Common Unity*, a residential program that will empower teen families to make better life decisions and to improve their child rearing skills. *(S. AZ)*



**TMM Family Services:** A mom poses with her three children during a program that promotes self-sufficiency. *(S. AZ)*

***Parent Aid***

\$13,000 to support the continuation of programs for parents that prevent child abuse and neglect. *(S. AZ)*

***Salvation Army—Elyria***

\$15,000 to support the continuation of *Community Youth* programming designed specifically to meet the needs of at-risk youth. *(Lorain Co.)*

***Samaritan Counseling Center***

\$10,000 to support a series of workshops for women that address their physical, psychological, emotional, recreational and spiritual needs.

*(Lorain Co.)*

***Save Our Children***

\$10,000 to support the continuation of *Save Our Teens*, a drug elimination program for adolescents who reside at the Wilkes Villa public housing complex in Elyria. *(Lorain, Co.)*

***Technology Access Center of Tucson***

\$15,175 to support organizational self-sufficiency through the development of a strategic plan. *(S. AZ)*

***TMM Family Services***

\$5,000 to establish a hair salon, and to purchase arts and craft supplies for single moms and their children, at the Fair Haven transitional housing site. *(S. AZ)*

***Tu Nidito Children's Hospice***

\$15,000 to support the continuation of *STAR*, a program designed to provide individualized care and support to any family which has a child living with, in remission from, or who has died from a life-threatening illness. *(S. AZ)*

***University of Arizona***

\$10,000 to support the continuation of *PHASE*, a program that provides low-income single parents and displaced homemakers with training and job placement. *(S. AZ)*

## Woman's Issues

Total Giving to Women's Issues 1979-2000: \$1,220,422

**T**HE FOUNDATION supports programs, which teach girls to grow into strong contributing members of society, and assist women to achieve their full potential. In 1999-2000, the Foundation funded 16 projects for a total of \$242,558.



**Girl Scouts of Erie Shores:** A junior girl scout troop prepares a care package in response to the Kosovo crisis. (Lorain Co.)

### ***Brewster Center***

\$15,000 to support *Outreach and Advocacy*, a program that provides both prevention and intervention services to reduce violence and to help women escape violent situations by increasing the number of staff advocate positions. (S. AZ)

### ***Compass Health Care***

\$15,000 to establish *LifeSavers*, a medical, dental and educational fund for recovering women addicts at Vida Nueva, a residential treatment facility. (S. AZ)

### ***Family Planning Services of Lorain County***

\$14,740 to assist the organization in its efforts to provide women of Lorain County with quality reproductive healthcare services using education, counseling and clinical visits. (Lorain Co.)

### ***Girl Scouts of Erie Shores***

\$10,000 in support of Year Two of the *Urban Outreach Initiative*, a program that provides girls, ages 5-18, living in low socio-economic areas in Lorain and Elyria with scouting opportunities. (Lorain Co.)

### ***Habitat for Humanity Tucson***

\$40,000 toward *Women's Build 2000*, the construction of a handicapped accessible house built entirely by women. (S. AZ)

### ***Heartland Circle***

\$10,888 to expand the Substance Recovery outreach programs to women and their families living in southern Lorain County. (Lorain Co.)

### ***Lorain County Safe Harbor/Genesis House***

\$14,679 toward the purchase of educational equipment, photographic equipment and marketing materials to educate the community regarding issues of domestic violence and services available for victims of domestic violence. (Lorain Co.)

### ***Lorain Educational Athletic Program***

\$15,000 to provide opportunities for "college exposure," technology access, and expenses related to offering a program that helps girls in grades 9-12 to develop educational and physical skills. (Lorain Co.)

### ***Planned Parenthood of New Mexico***

\$15,000 to present *Changes and Choices*, a workshop for middle school students and their parents that strives to improve communication between teens and parents. It teaches valuable life skills as well as providing age-appropriate sex education. (Las Cruces, NM)

### ***Primavera Builders***

\$10,000 to support the establishment of an all girls' construction team, a component of the existing *Youth Builders Program*. (S. AZ)

### ***Southern Arizona Center Against Sexual Assault***

\$15,406 to expand the organization's ability to provide high level service to youth, adults and families affected by any type of sexual violence or assault, with the addition of a part-time counselor. (S. AZ)

### ***Tucson Centers for Women and Children***

\$24,000 to provide trained professionals to address barriers faced by victims of domestic violence in order to help them to achieve self sufficiency. (S. AZ)

### ***Tucson Shalom House***

\$10,000 to support the *Transitional Shelter Program* for high-risk women and children who seek to change their lives, and work toward self sufficiency. (S. AZ)

### ***University of Arizona***

\$5,000 to support the *25-20-15 Anniversary Program* of Women's Studies, SIROW and WOSAX. Each organization provides a variety of programs that heighten awareness about women's issues and their contributions to society. (S. AZ)

### ***Women's Foundation of Southern Arizona***

\$7,845 to support the dissemination of information from the *Status of Women in Arizona* report to ensure that policy-makers are aware of issues affecting women and girls in the State of Arizona. (S. AZ)

### ***YWCA of Tucson***

\$20,000 (over two years) to support the development and implementation of *It's Time to Talk Forums on Race*, a series of forums designed to promote open, effective interracial dialogue. (S. AZ)



# A look at southern Arizona



One participant listens carefully to what is being said at this community luncheon which focuses on race relations.

## The YWCA of Tucson

The YWCA of Tucson has been providing a wide range of educational and social services to the Tucson community for eighty-four years. Currently, the organization provides long-term counseling for adult women, employment readiness programs, breast cancer education and screening, women's leadership development training, a school-based literacy program, a racial justice program as well as an anti-violence public education program. Each year, more than 9,400 individuals participate in one or more of the organization's programs. The YWCA of Tucson has thirteen employees, six who are considered full time staff. The annual operating budget for this organization is \$712,907

The Stocker Foundation awarded The YWCA of Tucson a grant for \$20,000 (over two years) to implement *It's Time to Talk Forums on Race*. These forums are designed to promote open, effective interracial dialogue that can move individuals toward solutions rather than continuing to express or analyze the problem. Three settings have been established for these stimulating dialogues to take place (community luncheons, community dinners and dinners at private homes). At each setting, trained facilitators are present to help guide the conversations of the participants.

Some notable accomplishments of this program include:

- 78 volunteer facilitators were oriented
- 31 individuals volunteered to become a facilitator

- 676 individuals attended the initial community luncheon on 10/12/00
- 86% of the participants at the 10/12/00 luncheon rated the program as "excellent" or "very good"
- 21 individuals hosted a dinner in their home
- 12 organizations/companies indicated an interest in sponsoring a community dinner

Through this grant, the staff of The YWCA of Tucson believe that significant progress on race relations can occur. This program has provided the community with more opportunities for people to come together to create meaningful change and, hopefully, a stronger community.



## Grant Application Process

**TRUSTEES OF THE STOCKER FOUNDATION** consider proposals three times per year. Proposals should be postmarked by January 15, May 15, and September 1. The staff of The Stocker Foundation is available to discuss project ideas and to assist applicants during the proposal preparation process. All proposals are evaluated by the staff before presentation at Trustee meetings.

The grant proposal must be submitted with six copies (original plus five copies). The proposal narrative should be concise and not exceed ten pages. Pages should be numbered and attached with a paper clip. The use of staples, binders, or notebooks is discouraged. Faxed or electronically transmitted proposals will not be accepted. As part of the proposal review process, Staff may call the requesting organization to schedule a site visit or to request additional information. The Stocker Foundation also reserves the right to contact other funders and professionals in the field regarding the proposal under review. Contact the office for the most recent guidelines prior to submitting a proposal. There is no application or proposal form, but the requesting agency is to include the following information:



**Arizona Aerospace:** Several sixth grade students participate in the *Mission Program*, an interactive space-based curriculum that emphasizes math, science and technology. (S. AZ)



**Women's Foundation of Southern Arizona:** Three 5th grade girls were given an opportunity to participate at a community forum that unveiled a report on the *Status of Women in Arizona*. (S. AZ)

### I. Cover Letter

- A cover letter signed by the Executive Director and Chairperson of the Board stating the purpose of the proposal and the amount requested
- Name, title, address, phone, fax and e-mail of contact person

### II. Executive Summary

- The problem or need
- A short description of the project, including total project budget and amount requested from the Foundation
- Project time-line

### III. Proposal Narrative

- A description of the requesting organization. Include history, mission/vision statement, services offered, target population and whether the requesting organization has an endowment. If there is an endowment, what is its annual income and how are those funds allocated? Attach a list of the requesting organization's Board of Trustees and the total dollar amount contributed by the Trustees in the most recent year. If the Trustees do not make financial contributions, please explain—briefly.
- A brief summary of the most recent grant awarded by The Stocker Foundation, if applicable. *Proposals for future funding will not be considered if a previously funded organization has failed to submit a report based on The Stocker Foundation's Evaluation Report Guidelines.*

- Project Description
  - a) Project objectives—what are the goals of the project? (Objectives are tangible and measurable within a specified time frame.)
  - b) Methods used—how will the project be achieved? (Describe the action steps and time-line involved.)
  - c) Collaboration—will the requesting organization work with other organizations to achieve the objectives?
  - d) Staffing—who will administer the project and what are his/her qualifications?
  - e) Volunteers—will volunteers be utilized? If so, in what capacity?
  - f) Evaluation—what methods will be used to measure the success of the project? How did it meet its intended outcomes and serve the intended population?

#### IV. Financial Information

- Project Budget (should reflect the total project)
  - a) Anticipated expenses, including details about how Stocker Foundation funds will be used
  - b) Anticipated income, including information about other sources approached for funding, dates of notification, responses to date, and dollar amount committed to the project
  - c) Anticipated internal funding (in-kind support) for the project
  - d) In narrative form, describe a plan for future funding as well as a reasonable plan for the project's self-sufficiency
- Other pertinent information
  - a) Current Operating Budget
  - b) Statement of Income and Expenses for the previous year
  - c) If the requesting organization has a debt, please explain the circumstances, including a plan for reducing the debt

#### V. Attachments (one-copy only)

- Most recent letter of exemption from the IRS stating current 501(c)(3) status, and a statement that tax exemption status has not been revoked or modified
- A letter stating that the requesting organization will submit a report documenting how funds from The Stocker Foundation were spent, and that funds were spent solely for the purpose for which the grant was sought
- Audited financial statement (If one is not available, include most recent balance sheet)
- A copy of the requesting organization's strategic plan
- Most recent Annual Report (Unless previously submitted to the Foundation)
- Letter(s) of support—optional



**Nature Seed/SEARCH:** Volunteers stand with a packet of seed that were saved from one of the endangered heirloom crops. (S. AZ)

## Grantmaking Priorities

**T**HE STOCKER FOUNDATION was established to provide financial support, through grants, to organizations that are exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS tax code and meet the current geographical guidelines of the Foundation. Geographical areas include Lorain County, Ohio, southern Arizona (Cochise, Pima and Santa Cruz Counties) and Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

### Grantmaking priorities include:

- Arts and Culture
- Community Needs
- Education and Youth Leadership
- Health (includes programs that assist the physically challenged)
- Social Services
- Women's Issues



**Old Pueblo Archeology Center:** An instructor and elementary school students participating in the organization's outreach program at OPEN1. (S. AZ)

Although each proposal is evaluated on its individual merits and its ability to improve quality of life, The Stocker Foundation generally will not accept proposals in the following areas:

- Annual Campaigns
- Conferences
- Deficit Financing
- Government Services
- Grants to Individuals
- Loans
- Public School services required by law
- Research Projects



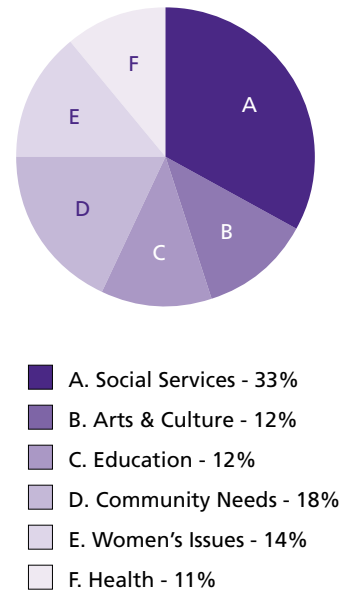
**Mesilla Vally  
Community of Hope:**  
A new walk-in freezer  
at the El Caldito Soup  
Kitchen. (Las Cruces, NM)

# Financials

SEPTEMBER 30		
Statement of Financial Position	2000	1999
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash	\$53,717	\$24,897
Investments at Market Value	\$47,700,845	\$43,679,321
Other	\$14,765	\$18,917
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$47,769,327</b>	<b>\$43,723,135</b>
<b>Liabilities and Net Assets</b>		
Liabilities	\$7,200	\$-0-
Net Assets	\$47,762,127	\$43,723,135
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$47,769,327</b>	<b>\$43,723,135</b>
<b>Statement of Activities</b>		
Revenues	6,831,231	\$12,011,696
Expenses		
Grants Authorized	\$2,371,639	\$2,064,649
Other Expenses	\$420,600	\$358,379
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$2,792,239</b>	<b>\$2,423,028</b>
Increase in unrestricted Net Assets	\$4,038,992	\$9,588,668
Unrestricted Net Assets, beginning of the year	\$43,723,135	\$34,134,467
Unrestricted Net Assets, end of the year	\$47,762,127	\$43,723,135

The Stocker Foundation's fiscal year is October 1 through September 30.

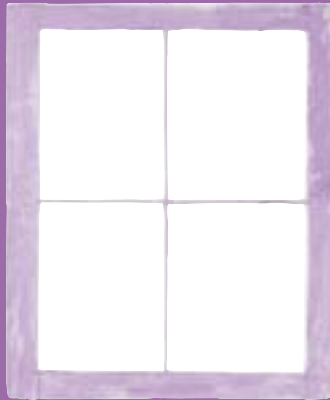
1999 - 2000 Grants



**Tucson Botanical Gardens:** A student spends time learning more about composting. (S. AZ)







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