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MEDIA NOTICE

**Dow to Host Winter Holiday Awards Dinner for Community Grant Recipients
Over \$25K Awarded to Local STEM Programs**

PITTSBURG, CA – (November 27, 2013) – The Dow Community Advisory Panel of Dow Pittsburg Operations has awarded six local schools or non-profit organizations grants totaling \$25,300 for 2014 programs benefitting STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) education in East Contra Costa County. Dow will host a winter holiday dinner on December 2, at which all recipients will receive recognition and present a brief summary of their upcoming projects. Media representatives are invited to attend. Please provide advanced notification to Josh Wimble of Dow Public & Government Affairs, and we will send you the event details.

The 2013 Dow Community Grant winners:

1. Marine Science Institute (Pittsburg)
“Delta Discovery Voyage”

The grant will support a group of underprivileged Pittsburg students to embark on a guided boat tour across the Delta for the purpose of observing species captured and released live from the waters of the Delta, as well as taking samples of cultures for study. All students will receive a Water Patrol activities kit and experience structured lessons about the importance of maintaining the ecosystem.

Needs Addressed: Science, Education, Environment

Amount Granted: \$4,000

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2. People Who Care Association (Pittsburg)
“Green Jobs Training Program”

The grant will support a project to educate at-risk youth about opportunities in green energy jobs in manufacturing. They will be paired with volunteers to build a permanent tool shed with solar panels and a generator to power lights and outlets, with these funds exclusively sponsoring the purchase construction materials.

Needs Addressed: Science, Education, Environment **Amount Granted: \$5,000**

3. Antioch Middle School (Antioch)
“Site Garden Restoration”

The grant will allow for the purchase of supplies to build a sustainable learning garden. The sixth grade class that establishes it and following sixth grade classes that maintain it will learn key concepts and principles of agriculture.

Needs Addressed: Science, Education, Environment **Amount Granted: \$5,000**

4. Homeless Animals Lifeline Organization (Antioch)
“Angel Ears Dog Therapy Program”

The grant will support the training and certification of homeless canines to become therapy animals for education assistance of students with learning disabilities. Special reading materials, certifications, grooming materials, reading enclosures and blankets will be purchased to pair these animals with children having difficulty learning to read.

Needs Addressed: Education, Environment **Amount Granted: \$2,500**

5. Liberty Union High School District (Brentwood)
“Marsh Creek Monitoring for Watershed Health”

The grant will enable students in AP Calculus and AP Environment to experience hands-on scientific learning about monitoring water quality and interpreting chemistry data. Environment students will perform stream sampling and testing, while Calculus students will determine hydrologic calculations and interpret data, with funds going entirely to supplies.

Needs Addressed: Science, Education, Environment **Amount Granted: \$5,000**

6. Freedom High School (Oakley)
“Falcon Perch Freedom Garden”

The grant will support the development of a garden greenhouse and irrigation system. Students will be taught about conservation and natural habitats, with observation of natural species.

Needs Addressed: Science, Education, Environment **Amount Granted: \$3,800**

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