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Donations pour in

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United Way doles out the money

The board of trustees of the United Way of Santa Cruz County allocated \$30,000 from United Way reserves for emergency relief to victims of the earthquake two days after the quake hit. Since then, many local businesses and individuals have contributed to the United Way-administered Earthquake Relief Fund.

Money has also poured in to the fund from corporations and individuals outside the area and from other United Way organizations. The largest single donation, \$404,000, came from the National Football League and the total collected so far comes to just short of \$786,000.

The Earthquake Relief Fund committee meets weekly to review applications for grants. Application forms are available from the United Way of Santa Cruz County and are due each Thursday afternoon. For further information contact the United Way at 688-2.

Grants to human care agencies serving people affected by the quake so far include the following:

Asbestos Victims of America - \$3,450 to produce and distribute bilingual educational booklets on the hazards of asbestos in homes and buildings.

● COPE Centro Familiar - \$3,000 to purchase a new copy machine.

● Child Development Research Center - \$4,900 to hire a coordinator for disaster-related day-care services.

● Community Action Board - \$6,250 to provide motel vouchers for displaced persons.

● Familia Center - \$4,400 for additional staff needed to assist with assessing individual needs for emergency services.

● Family Service Association of Santa Cruz - \$3,500 for immediate repairs and expanded counseling services; also received \$9,800 for rental assistance, phone installation, and for relocation expenses for Santa Cruz and Capitola offices.

● Family Service Association of Watsonville - \$5,000 for building repairs, plus \$1,500 for immediate repair to equipment to restore water and heat.

● Food and Nutrition Services - \$2,500 for increase services for the Meals on Wheels program.

● Fenix Services - \$6,500 to hire outreach workers for migrant camps and shelters for three months.

● Goodwill Industries - \$5,000 loan for building repairs.

● Hospice of Santa Cruz County - \$2,500 for immediate repairs to facility.

● Parents Center - \$4,000 for increased counseling services to children experiencing stress due to the disaster.

● Resource Center for Non-violence - \$3,300 to publish 10,000 bilingual resource guides for earthquake relief.

● Santa Cruz Community Counseling Center - \$1,000 for immediate repairs to allow seven residents to move back into their transitional home.

● Senior Citizens Legal Services - \$4,100 to assist in hiring a paralegal to help displaced senior citizens with legal matters pertaining to housing.

● Senior Network Services - \$1,000 for in-home assessments and resource counseling for senior citizens.

● Skills Center - \$10,000 loan for repairs and replacements to their two locations.

● Second Harvest Food Bank - \$5,000 to help offset additional expenses of food distribution.

● Valley Resource Center - \$1,000 to provide emergency assistance to residents in the San Lorenzo Valley/Scotts Valley area.

● Visiting Nurse Association - \$3,700 to provide bilingual nursing services in the shelters in Watsonville.

● Vocational Training Institute - \$1,670 for expenses of relocating to a temporary office.

● Volunteer Center - \$8,000 for additional staff needed to coordinate volunteers countywide.

● Watsonville YMCA - \$2,000 for immediate repair to facilities.

● YWCA of the Pajaro Valley - \$2,000 for immediate repairs so that the day-care center could meet safety standards.

● YWCA of Santa Cruz - \$1,000