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## We are proud of the 2017 Idyllwild Youth Grantmakers



*This year's 16 Idyllwild Youth Grantmakers pose at the conclusion of their grant presentation ceremony. Photo by Marshall Smith*

Idyllwild Community Fund was started by a local couple in the 1990s to benefit the Idyllwild community and its nonprofits in perpetuity. Each year we award around \$15,000 in grants to mountain nonprofits to help them help our community: utility and food assistance for the needy; art instruction and outdoor education at Idyllwild School; emergency equipment for disaster aid; scholarships for local students; support for theater and musical performances, and many other worthy projects.

One program we are proud to sponsor is the Idyllwild Youth Grantmakers, teaching Idyllwild Middle School students about the role of volunteerism and philanthropy in our community.

Sixteen middle school students of Idyllwild School participated in the program this year, awarding grants to seven local nonprofits serving the youth of Idyllwild. The 2017 grant recipients are:

- ARF,
- Soroptomist International of Idyllwild,
- Idyllwild School Booster Club,
- smARTS Program at Idyllwild School
- Idyllwild School Music Program,
- Friends of County Park
- The Idyllwild HELP Center.

Special thanks goes to Hubert Halkin and the Café Aroma family for supporting another year of this great program!



**Saturday, August 19, 2017**

4:00-7:00 PM at the Rainbow Inn  
54420 S. Circle Drive in Idyllwild

Hosted by the Idyllwild Community Fund  
Benefitting Idyllwild School Youth Grantmakers  
And Local Non-Profit Organizations

Wines from  
Rotta Winery, Castoro Cellars, Baily Winery & others  
Silent Auction • Music by Two t' Suite

**ADMISSION IS FREE!**

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Each year, the Idyllwild Community Fund allocates thousands of dollars to local organizations. The annual Wine in the Pines is both a celebration of this effort and a fundraiser to augment the coffers to increase the aid given to other Non-profits on the Hill.

The fourth-annual event is from 4 to 7 PM on Saturday, August 19, 2017 at the Rainbow Inn.

The event is free and as you stroll the beautiful grounds of the Rainbow Inn, you can make your bids in our silent auction. Two t'Suite — Nelms McKelvain on piano and Julie Holmes on cello — will soothe the environment during the afternoon with their repertoire from early Baroque through 1950s, 1960s and 1970s standards, Gershwin, Broadway's finest, country, rock and today's Top 40. Wine from the Rotta Windery, Castoro Cellars, and others, will be available throughout the evening.

The celebration brings the community together to support our mission of providing grants to local nonprofit organizations to help them accomplish critical goals that enhance the quality of life for all our residents.

## **2017 Awards Granted by the Idyllwild Community Fund**

As reported in the *Town Crier* on July 6, 2017

The Idyllwild Community Fund Advisory Committee, continuing work begun when a local couple established the fund in the 1990s, awarded nearly \$16,000 in 2017 grants to seven Idyllwild-area nonprofits.

### **Our 2017 Grant Recipients:**

**The Idyllwild HELP Center** (\$5,000 to help fund its utility assistance program);

**The Forest Folk** (\$3,000 for vehicle maintenance for its local shuttle service);

**The Idyllwild School Booster Club** Outdoor Education Program (\$3,000 to help send 6th-8th grade IS students to three-day science trips at Joshua Tree, Catalina Island Marine Institute and AstroCamp in Idyllwild);

**Soroptimists of Idyllwild** (\$1,500 to provide hygiene products to local low-income women);

**Idyllwild Scholarship Fund** (\$1,500 to provide scholarships for college-bound Idyllwild students);

**Spirit Mountain Retreat Center** (\$1,428 to fund full scholarships for recovery-themed workshops);

**The Idyllwild Master Chorale** (\$500 to help defray costs of providing free tickets to low-income patrons to attend IMC concerts).

The goal of the Idyllwild Community Fund is to encourage and support programs run by local non-profit organizations that:

- nurture the arts • foster the education of children and adults • provide for the well-being of those in need
- protect the environment • contribute to the safety of our Mountain Communities