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Laguna Beach Community Foundation has record breaking year and celebrates by releasing its 2015 Annual Report

For Laguna Beach Community Foundation, 2015 was a year of many milestones and it was truly a community effort. There was a great sense of pride in being able to release the 2015 LBCF Annual Report at the 2nd Annual Community Presentation held on Feb 25 at the Wine Gallery.



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Were among those in attendance at the Wine Gallery February 25

"2015 was a big year for Laguna Beach Community Foundation and now more than ever, we're looking to build significant relationships to enhance the local philanthropic sector," said Tom Davis, LBCF Board Chair. Laguna Beach Community Foundation utilized 2015 for a rebranding, a refocusing and "...a revitalization of that philanthropic spirit because together, we can do so much more."

With a newly focused strategic plan, LBCF Fund Holders gained online access to manage their charitable funds while local nonprofits were granted access to a free, curated grants portal located at the LBCF Headquarters.

Over 200 nonprofits reside in Laguna Beach. There is an unmatched philanthropic spirit that helps to make this town unlike any other. Over \$4,000,000 in grants has been distributed from Laguna Beach Community Foundation since 2010, with approximately \$725,000 of that occurring in 2015 through donor directed funding. By holding community events such as their monthly Speaker Series, they aim to enhance the relationships in the local philanthropic sector and increase the support for essential local programs.

The Laguna Beach Community Foundation strengthens the community by encouraging philanthropy. They provide expertise and resources to assist local charities, connect donor passions with nonprofit needs, and work with local professional advisors to assist their clients in giving now and beyond their lifetimes with a legacy gift.

For information on the services offered by Laguna Beach Community Foundation, please visit www.lagunabeachcf.org. To view the 2015 LBCF Annual Report, visit http://www.lagunabeachcf.org/lbcf-financials.html.