Choose Wisely
The goal is to help you plan in a way that benefits you, your family and charity. There are many ways you can make a planned gift to charity and enjoy tax or income benefits.

ICF Staff Can Help You Choose:

What to Give
Find out what types of assets make the best legacy gifts. Learn how gifting cash, securities, or property can help achieve your estate planning, financial, and philanthropic goals.

How to Give
We can help you structure a gift that provides both tax benefits and personal or family income while supporting your chosen cause.

Where to Give
ICF can connect you with the nonprofit organizations and community programs that match your areas of interest and will make the best use of your investment.

5 Reasons to Consider Legacy Giving

1. Reduce the tax burden on your family.
2. Receive estate tax savings.
3. Provide for your immediate family.
4. Support your chosen causes for years to come.
5. Make a real difference in the lives of others!

One Legacy. Many Choices.

There are many ways to make an impact on the organizations and communities that you care about. Legacy Giving through your estate plan is one of the most rewarding ways to support your causes, but can also be the most daunting.
To our ICF Colleagues, Grantees, Donors and Friends:

This year, we celebrate a donor community that is responsive, committed, and thinking long-term about how to strengthen communities beyond U.S. borders.

In these pages, we highlight programs that benefit local families, students, and organizations in targeted communities. We are proud to report that in FY17, ICF provided $6,530,789.45 in grants to 68 local organizations in Baja California Sur.

As you’ll see from this report, ICF and its grantees are planning for the future – building better schools, improving monitoring/surveillance in environmental priority areas, and researching the root causes of cancer. Long-term projects like these require strategic vision, committed partners and donors, and steady funding.

ICF’s team works hard to communicate progress and opportunities on these programs to donors, funding partners, and other stakeholders. We hope you will join us on a site visit, a workshop, or outreach event to learn more about them. You will be impressed by the dedication and impact of these local groups!

Finally, we want to thank you for helping ICF respond quickly and effectively to the recent natural disaster events in Mexico and the Caribbean. We are extremely proud of ICF’s donor response and look forward to reporting back to you on the use of these funds.

We look forward to seeing you in San Diego or in the field. Please let us know if you can join us!

Sincerely,

Anne McEnany
President & CEO

Jackie Meyer
Chair, ICF Board of Directors
The Impact of ICF

ICF is an international nonprofit organization, which seeks to inspire international charitable giving by U.S. donors, particularly those with an interest in Northwest Mexico, to strengthen civil society and promote sustainable communities.

Extensive International Grantmaking

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Driven by Donor Passion, the International Community Foundation Leads and Supports Environment, Education, Health, and Community Development Initiatives through Local Non-Profit Partners.

2017 Key Facts

TOTAL ASSETS
$23 million

TOTAL GRANTS
$9.972 million

“FRIENDS OF” FUNDS
73

GRANTS SINCE 1990
$78.97 million

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1. **Send a Check by Mail**
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3. **Send a Wire Transfer**
   Contact Lety Martinez Hermosillo at lety@icfdn.org, or (619) 336-2258.

4. **Donate Stock or Mutual Funds**
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5. **Leave a Legacy**
   There are several ways to support a non-U.S. charity through planned giving. The simplest way is by making a bequest to the “Friends of” fund at the International Community Foundation for your favorite non-U.S. charity. Refer to page 2 for further information.
For over 25 years, the International Community Foundation has been a hands-on partner to organizations, leaders, and donors in the communities where we work. We are continually seeking and developing strategic partnerships in order to more effectively leverage funds and bring new expertise to the issues and regions where we work. In 2017, our key Strategic Partners in Baja California Sur included:

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ICF works closely with the following organizations to ensure that they meet all charitable requirements in both the U.S. and Mexico. ICF’s staff offers technical and programmatic support to these groups as part of this partnership.

**CABO SAN LUCAS / SAN JOSÉ DEL CABO**

**Amigos de los Niños, A.C.**
For 25 years as Los Cabos’ first authorized NGO Amigos de los Niños (ALDN) has lead the way in providing quality medical care for children with no other option or healthcare provider. ADLN offers life changing medical attention for children through two programs, ADLN Free Clinics and ADLN Special Case Care. Free clinics have expanded to pediatric dental treatment for over 400 children annually, audio testing and free hearing aids for 80 children, and eye surgery to correct strabismus for 20 children each year. The ADLN Special Case Program cares for Los Cabos children suffering from cancer by providing emotional and financial assistance to ensure they do not abandon treatment. ADLN also covers the cost of medicine and special managing or lab testing for severely and chronically ill children. ADLN’s record of transparency and goal oriented impact for the good of all children in Los Cabos provides the opportunity for donors to see the results of their work.

**Baja SAFE Salud de los Animales y Familias con Educación, A.C.**
Baja S.A.F.E. was founded in 2007 in order to rescue stray dogs and cats in the San José del Cabo area. The organization rehabilitates, feeds, and spays/neuters these rescued animals, then finds them good homes locally, in the U.S., and in Canada.

**Casa Hogar de Cabo San Lucas, A.C.**
Casa Hogar is a comfortable, safe and happy children’s home set in a camp-like environment providing physical and emotional care for children between 4 and 18 years old. In addition to caring for the children, they are prepared for adoption and to be reunited with their families. The teens still with Casa Hogar after completing high school are provided opportunities for University and/or employment. The facilities include two dormitories, computer learning room, library, kitchen, and soccer field.

**Gala de Danza, A.C.**
Gala de Danza works in Los Cabos, Mexico to disseminate and promote the creation of the arts and to promote artistic education with the participation and collaboration of several contributors: dancers, actors, teachers, artists, staff, sponsors, and the local community. The Gala strives to promote opportunities for and to improve the quality of life of local underprivileged children and youth.

**Gente Joven por un Cambio, A.C.**
Gente Joven por un Cambio (GJC) is an after-school program dedicated to helping children from ages 8-18 achieve their dreams, by empowering them with a voice, life skills and the freedom to explore. The program is committed to inspire self-awareness, responsibility and accountability. GJC is a safe place for children to learn, with programs that provide education, motivation and teamwork skills to help them make positive changes in their lives and their environment. That growth comes with honesty, trust, gratitude and laughter.

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Give + Campaign / H+ Fund

H+ Hospital is Los Cabos’ newest and most advanced hospital. H+ combines highly trained, qualified personnel with the newest, state-of-the-art medical technology. The H+ Group provides solutions for all health needs and endeavors to redefine the standard for quality in healthcare by focusing on the patient’s welfare. With a vision to expand access to quality care in the community, H+ has partnered with ICF and other local partner organizations to create the Give+ Campaign. Donations to the campaign through ICF provide reduced rates on essential lab work and testing, pro-bono services on special-needs cases, and coordinated medical care campaigns.

Liga M.A.C., A.C.

Liga M.A.C. is a nonprofit organization located in San José del Cabo that supports low-income families in need, focusing on three fronts: education, health care, and addressing basic needs. Liga M.A.C. reaches out to both adults and children in the community. For education, they have established a program called ACE, which is a scholarship program for good students whose families struggle financially. Another part of the ACE program are ESL lessons, or “English as a second language,” which are taught by volunteers. ACE also includes math lessons, community service, social skills workshops, and empowerment programs for girls.

Los Cabos Humane Society

Los Cabos Humane Society is committed to a safe, compassionate, and prosperous Los Cabos for all. LCHS offers accessible sterilizations and vaccinations at their Animal Center and through outreach clinics. The fully staffed Animal Center provides animal care, adoption, foster care, and educational programs, offering a vital contribution to the health & well-being of the local communities. They promote the humane treatment of all domestic animals through community awareness and the active lobbying of elected government officials. The LCHS operates exclusively on donations, they receive no government funding.

Los Niños del Capitán, A.C.

Los Niños del Capitán is a charitable organization in Cabo San Lucas that serves children ages 2-6. It functions as a preschool, kindergarten, and after school center for families of limited economic means that are unable to pay for traditional pre-school or after school programs. Most of the parents in the community work long hours at the various hotels and resorts in the area, leaving children as young as six years old in charge of taking care of their siblings during the day. This program provides work-week support for those children five days a week, feeding them, educating them, and giving them a place to play.

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Red Autismo, A.C.
Red Autismo is a nonprofit civil association that provides children in the Los Cabos area with early evaluation and intervention for Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), in order to improve their quality of life. Through their work, they strive to support, guide, and educate families, relatives, teachers, therapists and professionals. Red Autismo is devoted to helping children that fall within the Autism Spectrum or that are facing other Developmental Disorders.

Solmar Foundation Fund
The mission of the Solmar Foundation is to dignify families and individuals in need and help them to achieve a better life through community programs and the activities of the foundation, with a focus on women and children. The Foundation offers critical social services that are not covered by the government. They work with other public agencies and non-government organizations to combine resources and direct assistance to the areas where it will do the most good, focusing on education and the development of marketable skills.

EAST CAPE (INCLUDES CABO PULMO)

Amigos para la Conservación de Cabo Pulmo, A.C. (ACCP)
This community organization is fiercely protecting Cabo Pulmo National Park from threats to its coral reefs, fisheries and marine animals. Volunteers and neighbors have created a recycling program, an interpretive trail, a community pride program and a water quality monitoring program to ensure that Cabo Pulmo National Park remains the treasure that it is today. The area's beauty makes it attractive to major tourism developers which poses a continual threat and makes ACCP's work vital. ACCP is hard at work promoting a vision for the region that balances both natural and social benefits.

East Cape Community Urgent Care Clinic, A.C.
The East Cape Community Urgent Care Clinic helps individuals and families to access appropriate medical care and to improve emergency response to acute and general health care needs in Los Barriles, Baja California Sur, Mexico. The East Cape Community Dental Clinic provides free dental treatment and education to children under the age of 14. Donations help provide medical staff with adequate equipment and supplies, along with supporting Clinic's Diabetes and Children's Dental Programs.

East Cape Guild, A.C.
The East Cape Guild has helped over 1,000 students stay in school through its scholarship program. Beyond 9th grade, the Mexican federal system requires that parents contribute financially, but many families cannot. The East Cape Guild has strict criteria for students, who work diligently to increase their knowledge and opportunities for the future.

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Eco-rrrevolución, A.C.
Eco-rrrevolución, A.C. was established in 2013 with the goal of creating, promoting, and implementing environmental projects in Todos Santos, particularly with a focus in waste management. Eco-rrrevolución operates a waste collection/recycling center (Punto Verde) in the Todos Santos area, and aims to establish a waste treatment plant with the goal achieving ‘Zero Waste’ and reducing the footprint of landfills. Eco-rrrevolución also leads environmental education projects such as hosting events, producing documentary videos, and offering local conferences and workshops on ecological issues.

The Palapa Society of Todos Santos, A.C.
The Palapa Society is dedicated to the children of Todos Santos, working to improve their quality of life and educational opportunities. The Palapa Society offers high school and university scholarships, English-language classes for adults and children and a bilingual library. For the community, the Palapa Society operates water safety classes, an anti-graffiti/mural painting program and medical support for families in need. Thanks to the support of a dedicated patron, the Palapa Society is currently in the process of designing and developing The Palapa Learning Center Campus.

Todos Santos Community Fund
This fund, managed by the program officers at the International Community Foundation, supports community-led projects to benefit the people of Todos Santos. Community members can propose projects that will benefit the broader community.

Centro Mujeres, A.C.
Centro Mujeres A.C. was founded in 1994 in response to the increasing needs and human rights violations facing women, and youth. Centro Mujeres’ community action programs are known collectively as PROACI and are comprised of efforts aimed at preventing teen pregnancy and the sexual abuse of children as well as impacting the epidemic of violence against women. Aside from their direct work with women and youth, Centro Mujeres also has initiatives with government agencies to improve and strengthen policies that affect women and girls.

Como Vamos La Paz
Como Vamos La Paz, A.C. is a watchdog organization that strives to improve the quality of life for the residents of La Paz by reducing negative impacts of urban development on the environment and ensuring that the local government has the needed fiscal and administrative capacity to sustain economic growth, offer quality public services, and work in partnership with its citizens. The organization does all of this by empowering civic participation in local decision-making.

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Fundación Ayuda Niños La Paz, A.C. (FANLAP)
Located on the outskirts of La Paz, Colonia Marquez de Leon, Laguna Azul, Villas de Guadalupe and Vista Hermosa are among the poorest neighborhoods in the area. FANLAP started providing nutritional meals to students in these neighborhoods in 1996, and has since expanded its services to include a scholarship program, a library and a family/student program that helps students improve learning and problem-solving. Hundreds of students have benefitted from FANLAP's dedicated volunteers and staff.

Grupo Tortugero de las Californias
GTC is a network for the conservation of sea turtles, and individuals and communities. The work and conviction of fishermen, students, teachers, housewives, scientists, civil society organizations and government institutions make this network stay active.

La Paz Community Fund
This fund, managed by the program officers at the International Community Foundation, supports community-led projects to benefit the people of La Paz. Community members can propose projects that will benefit the broader community.

Noroeste Sustentable (NOS)
NOS is a civil society organization with the purpose of contributing to the development of sustainable communities in Northwest Mexico, a space privileged for its richness and beauty, both natural and cultural, manifested in its deserts, coasts and seas

Pelagios Kakunjá
Pelagios-Kakunjá is a nonprofit organization with the main objective of studying migratory marine species in the Mexican Pacific. They initiated the first shark-tagging program in the region; tagging sharks and deploying underwater tag-detecting sensors (ultrasonic receivers) at Guadalupe Island, many sites in the Gulf of California, as well as Revillagigedo Archipelago, Islas Marias and Clipperton Island. Pelagios aims to generate baseline information for the regional management (CONANP and INAPESCA) and implementation of conservation strategies for sharks and other migratory marine species. They have studied sharks during the last 10 years at several MPAs in the Eastern tropical Pacific (Isla Guadalupe, Revillagigedo, Cocos, Malpelo and Galapagos), gaining valuable knowledge on the benefits, drawbacks, and challenges of marine protected areas in the region.

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Raíz de Fondo Jardines y Educación A.C.
Raíz de Fondo Jardines y Educación A.C. offers educational opportunities to children and adults to enhance the quality of life through organic gardening, nutritional advocacy, promotion of a sustainable culture and community resilience. Three community gardens in La Paz serve as platforms for advancing this mission. Once abandoned lots, these urban oases now provide a space for residents to cultivate gardens, attend workshops and events, and build community connections. In addition, Raíz de Fondo offers extension services to help empower local groups to create their own autonomous community and school gardens throughout Baja California Sur.

Red de Observadores Ciudadanos (ROC)
ROC (Network of Citizen Observers) emerged to work jointly with local, state, and federal authorities to address illegal activities occurring in the Bay of La Paz, particularly fishing and poaching. ROC provides a mechanism for individuals and society to actively participate in and collaborate with the government, in order to ensure the proper use of public and environmental resources. ROC’s field work entails surveillance and monitoring, which help to raise public awareness and improve compliance with the law. ROC has evolved to engage more stakeholders such as tourists, private boats, sport fishing operations, and the local fishermen to support these activities. Ultimately, ROC and these stakeholders hope that a group of committed citizens can address public issues such as protecting the oceans and marine life like fish, which are vital to further economic growth.

Sociedad de Historia Natural Niparajá, A.C
Niparaja’s mission is to conserve the natural environment that is unique to Baja California Sur, seeking dialogue and consensus within society, disseminating the legal and scientific basis of its actions, with the goal of benefitting local communities for present and future generations. Niparaja has three ambitious conservation programs: land, marine and water.

LORETO

Eco-Alianza de Loreto A.C.
Eco-Alianza de Loreto is a key local organization that is working to protect the Loreto Bay National Park. Through education and outreach, collaborations with local fishermen, enforcement/surveillance on the water, testing of local water quality, partnership with local officials, and recycling, Eco-Alianza is comprehensively addressing the threats to the marine protected area. This year, Eco-Alianza inaugurated the Community Center for the Environment, which will be a local and regional hub for conservation, community, and educational cooperation.

Outpost Montessori
Outpost Montessori’s aim is to provide a proven and bilingual education through the Montessori philosophy for the youth of Loreto. To enable them to grow and establish mindfulness, a joy of learning and guidance to a purposeful life.

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LAGUNA SAN IGNACIO

Baja Stewardship Fund
Large-scale land conservation is achieved through careful management, scientific monitoring, good neighbor relations, and an on-site presence. This year, our Foundation’s partners secured hundreds of miles of coastal concessions and continued negotiations for more protected lands along the Baja California peninsula. Today, lands under management total over 600,000 acres in Laguna San Ignacio and Bahía de los Angeles alone.

SEA OF CORTEZ / GULF OF CALIFORNIA (REGIONAL)

Baja California Disaster Relief Fund
The Baja California Disaster Relief Fund responds to community-based needs arising from disasters that impact areas throughout the Baja California peninsula. In 2014 this fund was dedicated to supporting relief and rebuilding efforts in the wake of Hurricane Odile.

Baja Regional Waterkeeper Fund
WATERKEEPERS Baja Californias is a regional collaborative of six organizations working throughout the Baja California peninsula to fight for clean water and healthy communities. Each member of WATERKEEPERS Baja Californias monitors their beaches for bacteria once a month every year. Collectively, the program monitors over 75 sites along the coastline of the Baja California peninsula for enterococci bacteria, a recognized indicator of human sewage contamination and public health risk.

Comunidad y Biodiversidad, A.C. (COBI)
COBI merges its scientific focus with a commitment to local community livelihoods. Working with fishing cooperatives throughout the Baja California peninsula, COBI has demonstrated that fishermen can manage their own catch in a sustainable way. COBI’s Mexico City office promotes policy and legislative reform that supports responsible fishing and helps fishermen improve their practices. In the past 12 years, COBI has restored over 47,000 marine hectares, improved the lives of over 14,000 community members, and helped sustainably manage over 100 marine species.

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Defensa Ambiental del Noroeste, A.C. (DAN)
DAN is an environmental, legal nonprofit that works closely with community-based groups throughout the Baja California peninsula and the Sea of Cortez region to train them on relevant Mexican laws and then works with those groups to ensure that those laws are followed. This support includes the legal analysis of cases involving threats to the environment and the conservation of ecosystems, species and landscape, development of strategies to apply legal tools and lawsuits, analysis of the legal framework affecting or to be considered in decision making processes, conservation programs and projects, training seminars and workshops, and legal advice for the integration of environmental grassroots organizations.

The Friends of Wild Baja Fund
The Friends of Wild Baja Fund conserves and protects the critical habitats and biodiversity of southern Baja California Sur, including Laguna San Ignacio, Magdalena Bay, and the wilderness areas between La Paz and Loreto.

Pronatura Noroeste, A.C.
Pronatura Noroeste is a regional office for the longest-standing conservation organization in Mexico. Their award-winning work on marine protected areas, fisheries reform, private land conservation and scientific research on endangered species is responsible for creating most of the protected areas along the Baja California peninsula. This year, Pronatura is proactively implementing marine and land conservation in Bahía de los Ángeles, Laguna San Ignacio, Magdalena Bay, and the Upper Gulf of California. Pronatura is also home to the Bahía de los Ángeles Coastkeeper program.

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“I feel a responsibility as a businessman to give back part of all that I have received from the community. I see many needs and few answers and I feel I have to do something to improve lives, especially the lives of orphans and low-income children. Personally, I identify with them because I don’t forget that is where I come from. I also believe that the more I give and help, the more I get back. ICF is a transparent, prestigious organization that knows very well where to make best use of the donations we give.”

Frank Carrillo
President & CEO/ SIMNSA Health Plan

“Tony and I felt a strong call to action when we witnessed rapid environmental degradation in Southern Baja California, especially Loreto. Working with ICF has empowered our young organization by connecting us with a socially conscious world of committed donors as well as capable scientists, educators, and activists. As we celebrate Eco-Alianza’s 10th Anniversary, we know the team has matured to focus its passion, digital tools, and the principles of social entrepreneurship to affect real change in our schools and community.”

Linda Kinninger
Board Member / Eco-Alianza de Loreto, A.C

“I have worked with ICF for over 15 years, supporting higher-education technology and research programs in Latin America. It gives me great joy to see students grow into professional leaders, as evidenced by the quality of their publications, but even more importantly, by their contributions to the communities where they live. Every penny spent supporting these students comes back multiplied a thousand times, which brings me great satisfaction.”

Anonymous Donor
Thank You

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¡Muchas gracias!

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