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Mexico’s political and economic challenges are stretching the budgets of local governments and civil society organizations throughout the country. In an effort to address some of these critical needs, in 2016 ICF and our donors supported over 70 Mexican organizations working to provide quality education and health care to populations in need; to preserve and promote the diverse cultural heritage of the country; and to protect the unique marine and terrestrial areas, particularly in the richly biodiverse Gulf of California region.

ICF seeks to inspire charitable giving by U.S. donors to Latin America, with an emphasis on Mexico, where this past fiscal year we granted over $5.6 million to groups who are having a proven impact on environmental, health, educational and other development outcomes in their communities. We created this Mexico Giving Guide to provide you with an overview of the groups we work most closely with, as well as some special initiatives.

Beyond grantmaking, ICF’s role is two-fold. First, we bring resources and best practices from other parts of Mexico, the United States, and around the world to the communities we serve. Second, we dedicate significant effort to ensure that our investments, and your dollars, are used wisely – both financially and programmatically. We are proud of the advisory role that we offer to donors, and invite you to contact me to help you find the best local organizations working on issues you care about.

As you look through this Giving Guide, please know that ICF is walking beside these organizations to leverage grants and gifts, provide ideas and partnership, and inspire others to get involved.

The result? A stronger nonprofit sector working together to solve common problems in your community.

Please join us in creating meaningful change in your community today by visiting www.icfdn.org or searching for these groups at donate.icfdn.org!

Sincerely,

Anne McEnany
President & CEO
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For over 25 years, ICF has been the nonprofit foundation of choice for U.S. donors who are passionate about improving the quality of life for the communities they care about.

Since 1990, ICF has granted over USD $69 million to carefully vetted education, health and environmental initiatives in Latin America, particularly Baja California and Northwest Mexico.

In FY2016, ICF granted over $5.6 million to 71 organizations in Mexico, which is having both an immediate and a long-term positive impact on the health, education, environment and development of the country.

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

Extensive International Grantmaking: The ICF team consists of international development and nonprofit professionals who have lived and traveled throughout the region. We identify the most effective grantees and projects to ensure maximum impact.

Professional Philanthropic Advisors: ICF develops grant strategies, researches relevant challenges and opportunities, and identifies custom grantmaking alternatives that support your philanthropic goals and objectives.

Due Diligence & Accountability: ICF constantly evaluates and monitors performance of our grantee organizations to ensure your donations are responsibly used.

Full Tax Deductibility: Contributions to ICF are eligible for the maximum allowable U.S. federal income tax deduction.

DELIVERING VALUE TO DONORS

As your strategic philanthropy partner, ICF offers a simple charitable giving process that makes it easy to support the international causes that you care deeply about.
The International Community Foundation offers many ways for you to make a
difference and give to your preferred charity or causes in Baja California Sur.

In addition to establishing a Donor-Advised fund at the International Community
Foundation, there are various ways for individuals to support their favorite non-U.S.
charity by making a contribution to the organization's “Friends of” fund.

These options include:

1. **Send a Check by Mail**
   
   Send a check made out to the International Community Foundation. **Include the**
   **name of the non-U.S. charity** which you wish to support in the memo line of your
   check. NOTE: the nonprofit in question must have a “Friends of” fund at our
   foundation. Your check should be sent to:

   International Community Foundation  
   2505 N Avenue  
   National City, CA 91950  USA

2. **Donate Online at www.donate.icfdn.org**
   
   Go to ICF’s giving site to learn about all of the local organizations and special
   initiatives that you can support through our foundation, and to access our online
   donation form.

3. **Send a Wire Transfer**
   
   The International Community Foundation can receive wire transfers on behalf of
   the “Friends of” fund directly from your bank at any time.

4. **Donate Stock or Mutual Funds**
   
   Gifts of appreciated stock not only allow you to take a tax deduction for the
   appreciated value of the stock, but you are also not subject to the capital gains tax
   for the appreciation of those securities. Your broker may electronically transfer
   the gift directly to our account at Vanguard. ICF will absorb any brokerage
   handling fees and mail you a tax receipt stating the name of the stock and the
   number of shares received by ICF.

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. To learn more visit
ICF “Friends of” Funds in Mexico

For over 25 years, the International Community Foundation has been a hands-on partner to local organizations, leaders, and donors in Mexico. Many of these organizations choose to set up a “Friends of” Fund with ICF in order to leverage funds and access ICF’s programmatic expertise and support. In 2017, ICF has 73 Special Initiatives and “Friends of” Funds in Mexico.

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To learn more about opening a “Friends of” or Donor Advised Fund at ICF please contact info@icfdn.org or call 619.336.2250.
MEXICAN NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Centro Mexicano de Derecho Ambiental (CEMDA)
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/centro-mexicano-de-derecho-ambiental-a-c-cemda
As Mexico's original and largest nonprofit environmental law organization, CEMDA is the backbone of Baja and the Gulf of California's legal defense. CEMDA's work in litigation, law reform, legal advice, and support of environmental organizations and communities has achieved the conservation of numerous environmental sites and wildlife. CEMDA has received national and international recognition for their work which directly impacts the communities who rely on these environmental resources. With your generous support, CEMDA will continue to safeguard our beloved Baja Peninsula and the Gulf of California.

Fundación Dibujando un Mañana
Since 1997, Fundacion Dibujando un Mañana has been identifying and securing funds for nonprofit organizations dedicated to helping children and youth in times of crisis, whether it be their education, health, or professional development, to improve their quality of life and give them better opportunities for the future. The organization consists of a network of concerned businesses and individuals interested in the well-being and future of Mexico's children.

Mexican Cancer Society Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/mexican-cancer-society-a-c-fund
The Asociación Mexicana de Lucha Contra el Cancer, A.C. (Mexican Cancer Society), is a national nonprofit dedicated to promoting a culture of cancer prevention with the vision to reduce mortality rates in Mexico. Projects include cancer prevention and early detection campaigns and payment for chemotherapy treatments for very poor patients in under-served communities.

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The Border Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/international-community-foundation12
The Border Fund is dedicated to strengthening key organizations that work to create healthy, vibrant, inclusive communities in the California-Baja California region, such as Proyecto Salesiano Tijuana, Fronteras Unidas Pro-Salud, Casa del Migrante, Environmental Health Coalition, and WILDCOAST, to name a few. As the go-to international grantmaker in the San Diego-Tijuana border region, ICF is uniquely positioned to understand and research the issues, identify strategic partners, and quickly respond to situations as they arise.

The Border Health Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/border-health-fund
The San Diego-Baja California region faces significant cross-border health care and access issues, including the recent Haitian refugee crisis on our border. ICF is partnering with local nonprofits and government agencies to assist with basic shelter, food, and clothing for Haitian refugees currently waiting for approval to relocate to the U.S. These refugees are currently in Tijuana, which does not have sufficient shelter space to respond. Your gift will support direct relief to these families.

Casa Albergue Temporal Para Niños
Casa Albergue Temporal Para Niños provides a temporary home for abused and neglected children in Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico. These children, 12 years old and under, are placed in the hands of Casa Albergue for care at the request of the State, and are provided with housing, a balanced diet, clothing, personal hygiene, health care, and mental health care in crisis situations.

Fundación Internacional de la Comunidad
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/fundacion-internacional-de-la-comunidad-fic-fund
Fundación Internacional de la Comunidad (FIC)'s mission is to raise the quality of life in communities of Baja California in search of comprehensive social development. FIC promotes the institutional development of civil organizations through funding, training and technical assistance; and promotes the development of communities in widespread poverty, by funding grassroots projects.

Fundación Julio Cesar Chavez
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/fundacion-baja-del-sol-ac
Based in Tijuana, the Fundacion Julio Cesar Chavez supports low-resource children and youth in vulnerable situations through treatment and prevention of addiction, utilizing strategic alliances that permit their development and integration into society.

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**Fundación Migdalia Rubio**
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/fundacion-migdalia-rubio-a-c-fund

Fundacion Migdalia Rubio gives scholarships to economically-disadvantaged elementary and high school students in Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico. The organization is committed to supporting students by meeting their needs for academic success. Each scholarship includes one year of tuition, uniforms/shoes, books and school supplies, daily school lunches, transportation to and from school, special school event clothing, sports equipment and activities, and a variety of specialty classes.

**Fundación Unica – Together for Charity**
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/fundacion-unica-a-c-fund

Fundacion Unica, known in the U.S. as Together for Charity, provides a home for orphaned children in Tijuana, Mexico. The organization supports a shelter of 50 children, providing for their basic needs, including food, clothing, healthcare, and education. The Foundation's Voluntary Godparents Project provides each child with shoes, school supplies, and Christmas and birthday presents. The Food Donation Volunteer Project provides food to the orphanage on a monthly basis.

**Fronteras Unidas Pro Salud:**
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/fronteras-unidas-pro-salud

**Órale Youth Program:**
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/fronteras-unidas-pro-salud-orale

Fronteras Unidas Pro Salud is a Tijuana-based nonprofit committed to providing basic reproductive healthcare and sexual and reproductive education for families in poor rural and urban areas of Baja California, Mexico, enabling women and men to manage their own reproductive health and the health of their children. The organization runs after-school programs for children, as well as a mobile health clinic that reaches the more remote areas of Tijuana's impoverished communities. Since 2013, Pro Salud has also offered the Órale Youth Employability Program, which trains youth in Tijuana with a high-quality job preparation curriculum, builds professional development partnerships, and offers personalized job placement support through an interactive 7-week workshop & mentoring model.

**Legacy 4 Life Fund**
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/legacy-4-life-fund

The Legacy 4 Life Fund was created to support children with cancer. Currently, Legacy 4 Life partners with Patronato Del Hospital General de Tijuana to help improve the lives of low-income child cancer patients and their families. It provides the economic and emotional support that the children and families need to deal with and overcome cancer.

**Music Without Borders**
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/music-without-borders-fund

Founded by Pablo Sainz-Villegas, a globally renowned classical guitarist, The Music Without Borders Legacy (MWBL) is a project whose mission is to bring music and art to at-risk children and youth for their personal and emotional development. So far, MWBL has brought classical music to more than 9,000 children and has funded six different music programs in schools in Tijuana, Mexico.

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Pasitos Centro Psicopedagógico
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/pasitos-centro-psicopedagogico-fund
For 18 years Pasitos Centro Psicopedagógico has been committed to providing care to children and youth in the Baja California community who are affected with Autism Spectrum Disorder, or other special education, emotional and/or social needs. Pasitos’ specialized professionals are trained in emotional, behavioral, learning, and language skills necessary to evaluate, diagnose and treat all different areas of psychosocial development.

PrevenCasa, A.C.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/prevencasa
PrevenCasa is a registered nonprofit organization based in Tijuana, B.C., Mexico whose mission is to provide preventative and safe sex resources to the marginalized community of the Red Light District of Tijuana. PrevenCasa evolved from a community based outreach program of UCSD School of Medicine to formally constitute a Mexican nonprofit.

Tijuana General Hospital Auxiliary Group Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/patronato-hospital-general-tijuana-a-c
Mi Estancia Project: http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/mi-estancia-my-home-fund
Patronato is a non-profit organization dedicated to raising funds to support underserved patients at Tijuana’s General Hospital. Since its founding in 1999, Patronato has supported hospital projects including renovations, new equipment, and providing patients with medications, supplies, and specialized tests/treatments. In 2008, Patronato began collaboration with Rady Children’s Hospital - San Diego and St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital - Memphis, to benefit over 700 uninsured pediatric cancer patients receiving treatment at Tijuana’s General Hospital. Support includes transportation and food subsidies, specialized medications and tests, nutritional and psychosocial support, and access to specific treatments (in San Diego or Mexico City), funeral expenses and MI ESTANCIA, a home-away-from-home for patients and families who come from rural areas for treatment. The home accommodates up to 32 guests and has all of the amenities these children require, including specialized nutritional needs. Patronato supports the most underserved populations in Baja California, where over 95% of patients live in poverty.

TECATE

Corredor Histórico CAREM, A.C.
UNESCO Nomination: http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/12
La Ramona Restoration: http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/la-ramona-carem-subfund
CAREM’s mission is to protect, preserve, and present to the public the historical and cultural heritage of Baja California, Mexico. CAREM works to preserve and revitalize historic sites of the Baja California peninsula. Through volunteers, CAREM sponsors cultural events and lectures; carries out tours and educational programs; maintains a growing research library, and builds relevant infrastructure such as the Tecate Community Museum. Current projects include a Binational Initiative to earn a UNESCO World Heritage Nomination for El Camino Real de las Californias, the chain of Spanish missions extending from Los Cabos to Sonoma (USA) and; the Restoration of the 154-foot ‘La Ramona’ smokestack in El Triunfo, BCS.
Fundación La Puerta
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/fundacion-la-puerta-a-c
Fundación La Puerta is dedicated to supporting, initiating and implementing environmental, social and educational projects in the city of Tecate and the Mexico-US border region. The organization's work ranges from lobbying for protected areas on the river, to local community development and education about sustainability and the environment. Current and past projects include the first bi-national conservation easement between the US and Mexico for the preservation of Mt. Kuchumaa, Parque del Profesor and Las Piedras Environmental Education Center, a youth leadership program, and successfully leading the creation of The Tecate River Park to enhance quality of life, improve water quality, and encourage riparian conservation.

Terra Peninsular
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/terra-peninsular-fund
Terra Peninsular is an environmental non-profit based in Ensenada that conserves ecosystems in the peninsula of Baja California. Terra's conservation programs work hand-in-hand with local communities to protect the natural landscapes of the peninsula as well as important areas for shorebirds and migratory birds. In 2016, Terra Peninsular turned fifteen years, and celebrated with the creation of the Monte Ceniza Nature Reserve, which adds 1,984 acres to a total of more than 54,363 acres of protected land in Baja California.

Jardín Botánico San Quintín
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/jardin-botanico-san-quintin
Jardín Botánico San Quintín (JBSQ) promotes the knowledge, understanding and use of native plants to inspire the conservation of native habitat and biodiversity within northwest Baja California. JBSQ owns and manages the only reserve for vernal pools in Mexico, Reserva Natural de Charcas Vernales, Mesa de Colonet. This 55 acres reserve contain many vernal pools and have over 40% of the existing population of the Colonet endemic Centromadia perennis (Asteraceae). JBSQ also maintains a small botanic garden in Lázaro Cárdenas (San Quintín) where they grow over 40 species endemic just to Baja California, and the Café de Jardín provides a center for our community outreach, school education program, and our Club de Observadores de Aves. JBSQ promotes biological surveys and monitoring of other local reserves and sensitive habitat. They have written and published the Plant Guide to the Maritime Succulent Scrub Region, Northwest Baja California and Mammal Guide to Reservas Naturales Valle Tranquilo and Punta Mazo (reserves of Terra Peninsular, AC), Plant Guide to the Vernal Pools of Northwest Baja California and other publications are in process. Please see: https://vimeo.com/202651283.

“Every small action counts; when it comes to giving back, we all must do what we can and soon enough those small changes can transform an entire community. We are grateful that our small actions can be magnified to have a much greater impact thanks to the International Community Foundation and their local partners.”

Alberto and Selene Coppola

SAN QUINTÍN

Jardín Botánico San Quintín
To donate visit www.icfdn.org or call 619.336.2250
CABO SAN LUCAS / SAN JOSÉ DEL CABO

Amigos de los Niños Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/amigos-de-los-ninos
For 25 years as Los Cabo’s first authorized NGO Amigos de los Niños (ADLN) 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. Our 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 imaging or lab testing for severely and chronically ill children. Our 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 our work.

Baja SAFE Salud de los Animales y Familias con Educación, A.C.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/baja-safe-humane-society-fund-for-san-jose-de-los-cabos
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 Cabo San Lucas, A.C.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/casa-hogar-cabo-san-lucas
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.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/gala-de-danza-ac
Gala de Danza is the heart of culture and art in Los Cabos, Mexico. Since the summer of 2013, Gala de Danza has brought together artists from around the world to help enrich the lives of young dancers and the community of Los Cabos, Mexico. With the participation of dancers, choreographers, musicians, actors, teachers, staff and sponsors, the Gala strives to promote the creation of the arts and artistic education. Gala de Danza is also changing the lives of Los Cabos youth with Danza que da Esperanza, created by CiArts and Danza Téllez, bringing opportunities and hope to children in vulnerable situations, with a scholarship program that includes dance and music education, drama, English lessons, academic assistance, etiquette, ethic and values, dance uniforms and lunch. The dance discipline is a foundation that will help guide them in every aspect of their lives.

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Gente Joven por un Cambio, A.C.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/gente-joven-por-un-cambio-fund
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.

Give+ Campaign / H+ Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/give
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. The hospital will offer the opportunity to donate to the campaign through ICF, and will use funds collected to provide reduced rates on essential lab work and testing, pro-bono services on special-needs cases, and coordinate medical care campaigns.

Liga M.A.C., A.C.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/liga-mac-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
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/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.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/los-ninos-del-capitan-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.
Red Autismo, A.C.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/red-autismo
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
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/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)
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/amigos-para-la-conservacion-de-cabo-pulmo-fund1
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, A.C. (DBA East Cape Health Center) strives to provide all members of the East Cape community with preventative and urgent medical and dental care, regardless of their ability to pay. Community outreach and educational programs allow the Center to reach those who do not have access to health care facilities or resources for their basic health care needs. The clinic specializes in emergency services and transport, routine ambulatory, pediatrics, chronic disease, including hypertension, cardiovascular, diabetes and specialized wound care. The Dental Clinic provides care for the community and offers special programs for children in oral hygiene, restoration and extractions, with hands-on education on brushing and flossing techniques. Combined medical and dental services for children are free of charge.

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East Cape Guild, A.C.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/east-cape-guild
Established in 1997, the East Cape Guild has awarded over 2000 scholarships to deserving local students wanting to attend high school. The Mexican federal system pays for children's education only through the 9th grade. To attend grades 10-12, it becomes the financial responsibility of the families, which is often an extreme, if not impossible, strain to them. The East Cape Guild uses strict criteria of academic achievement and financial need to bestow scholarships to students with a strong desire to realize their potential and rise above a life of unskilled, low wage labor.

Todos Santos

Eco-rrrevolución, A.C.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/eco-rrrevolucion-ac
Eco-rrrevolución was established in 2013 with the goal of creating, promoting, and implementing environmental projects in Todos Santos, particularly with a focus on waste management. Eco-rrrevolucion operates a waste collection/recycling center (Punto Verde) in the Todos Santos area, and aims to establish a waste treatment plant with the goal of 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.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/palapa-society-a-c
New Building Fund: http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/palapa-building-fund
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 constructing The Palapa Learning Center Campus, where after-school programs, a new public secondary school, and other community development programs will be offered beginning in 2017.

Todos Santos Community Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/todos-santos-community-fund
This fund supports the people of Todos Santos, Mexico, through a variety of special initiatives and organizations. As a community-driven Fund, this fund allows residents of Todos Santos and the greater BCS region to ‘give where you live’.
LA PAZ

Centro Mujeres, A.C.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/centro-mujeres-a-c
Founded in La Paz in 1991, Centro Mujeres is the first community health organization dedicated to the empowerment of women, youth and families in Baja California Sur. Centro Mujeres provides direct health services to women and teen girls, trains students on issues that affect women's health, and works with government agencies to improve and strengthen policies that affect women and girls. This is accomplished through community programs, direct services, research, and advocacy.

Como Vamos La Paz, A.C.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/1
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.

Fundación Ayuda Niños La Paz, A.C. (FANLAP)
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/fundacion-ayuda-ninos-de-la-paz-a-c-fund
Located on the outskirts of La Paz, Colonias 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.

Fundación Cántaro Azul, A.C.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/fundacion-cantaro-azul-a-c
Fundación Cántaro Azul is dedicated to improving the health and well-being of people living in marginalized communities through the design, implementation and evaluation of water and environmental solutions. Cántaro Azul works through a participatory approach with individuals and communities, and collaborates with academic centers, government institutions, international organizations, the private sector, and civil society. With these interventions, Cántaro Azul is changing the water landscape in Mexico.

La Paz Community Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/international-community-foundation1
This fund supports the people of La Paz, Mexico, through a variety of special initiatives and organizations. As a community-driven Fund, this fund allows residents of La Paz and the greater BCS region to ‘give where you live’.
Pelagios Kakunjá  
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/pelagios-kakunja

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. Their research team has studied sharks over the past 13 years at several Marine Protected Areas 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.

Raíz de Fondo Jardines y Educación, A.C.  
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/raiz-de-fondo-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)  
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/red-de-observatorios-cuidadanos--roc

ROC (Network of Citizen Observers) emerged to work jointly with local, state, and federal authorities to address illegal activities occuring 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.

MAGDALENA BAY

Vigilantes de Bahía Magdalena, A.C.  
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/vigilantes-de-bahia-magdalena-a-c-fund

Vigilantes is dedicated to the health of Magdalena Bay, which provides a habitat for sea turtles, shellfish and commercial fisheries. By testing water quality, monitoring mangroves and educating local decision makers, students and fishermen, Vigilantes is making a positive impact on the bay’s ecological balance. Equally important, Vigilantes is ensuring that fishing will be a viable activity for future generations.

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LORETO

Eco-Alianza de Loreto, A.C.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/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 is a local and regional hub for conservation, community, and educational cooperation. In 2014, staff offices and the COASTKEEPER® water testing laboratory were completed, and Eco-Alianza supports water quality monitoring in the Bahía de Loreto as part of the LORETO COASTKEEPER program.

LAGUNA SAN IGNACIO

Baja Stewardship Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/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 Bahia de los Angeles alone.

San Ignacio Whale Conservation Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/san-ignacio-lagoon-whale-conservation-fund
Every year, hundreds of California gray whales travel over 10,000 miles, from the summer feeding grounds in Alaska to the winter breeding and calving destination of Laguna San Ignacio, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. In 2012, Pronatura Noroeste was granted conservation management of 207,000 acres of federally-owned lands along the lagoon’s shoreline. This decision puts the responsibility for protecting and managing those lands in Pronatura Noroeste’s hands. Pronatura Noroeste must conduct the following activities: enforcement/patrolling, monitoring and follow up, addressing threats, and carrying out outreach and education for the local community.

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Baja California Disaster Relief Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/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 and early 2015 this fund was instrumental for supporting relief and rebuilding efforts in the wake of Hurricane Odile.
Baja California Waterkeeper Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/waterkeepers-baja-californias-regional-fund
The Baja California Waterkeeper Fund supports a regional collaborative of ten individuals (WATERKEEPERS) at local organizations working throughout the Baja California peninsula to fight for clean water and healthy communities. Collectively, the Baja WATERKEEPERS monitor over 75 sites along the coastline for bacteria and pollutants that may pose public health risks. In addition to making the water quality monitoring results available to the public, Baja WATERKEEPERS organize community education workshops, beach cleanups, and lead efforts to restore and protect watershed ecosystems.

Comunidad y Biodiversidad, A.C. (COBI)
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/cobi-a-c
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.

Defensa Ambiental del Noroeste, A.C. (DAN)
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/defensa-ambiental-noroeste-a-c
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
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/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.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/pronatura-noroeste-a-c-fund
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 Bahia de los Angeles, Laguna San Ignacio, Magdalena Bay, and the Upper Gulf of California. Pronatura is also home to the Bahia de los Angeles Coastkeeper program.
Southern Baja Food Security Initiative
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/southern-baja-food-security-alliance
In 2013, ICF surveyed 600 low-income families in La Paz and Los Cabos to ask about food intake and nutrition; 44-52% responded that their families lacked the funds to buy healthy, fresh food and the food that they consumed was not nutritionally sufficient. ICF took up this call to action, launching an alliance of 14 organizations to develop and pilot solutions. In 2015, ICF financed two demonstration gardens at community kitchens in at-risk communities in La Paz and Los Cabos. Next year, ICF hopes to expand this effort to 4 new gardens and to build infrastructure for a Food Rescue Center in Los Cabos, where fresh produce — currently unused but available — will be distributed to families that need it most.

Friends of Fundación Tarahumara Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/friends-of-fundacion-tarahumara
Fundación Tarahumara José A. Llaguno is a Mexican nonprofit that has promoted the development of indigenous communities in the Tarahumara Mountain Range in Northern Mexico for twenty years. Through its four programs—child nutrition, education, food and water security—the organization has sought to reverse structural problems that have kept the indigenous communities in poverty and social exclusion. Fundación Tarahumara believes that investment in local programs and community empowerment can lead to culturally-appropriate and sustainable development.

Fundación del Empresariado Chihuahuense (FECHAC)
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/fechac-fund
The Fundacion del Empresariado Chihuahuense is a nonprofit organization dedicated to community development in Chihuahua, Mexico. The nonprofit works to promote corporate responsibility, civic engagement, community-based causes and education.

Mata Ortiz Foundation Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/mata-ortiz-foundation-fund
On the high plains of northern Chihuahua is a small village called Mata Ortiz that has become famous for the production of a thin-walled, finely painted pottery ware. The Mata Ortiz Foundation was created to work in partnership with the local community on projects to improve the quality of life. The projects are selected by the local people and so far have always involved some form of education including the first library, middle school, and high school as well as a new building and bathrooms for the kindergarten. The Mata Ortiz Foundation joins with parent groups, local nonprofits, and local government to make these projects a success.
Next Generation Sonoran Desert Researchers Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/next-generation-sonoran-desert-researchers

Next Generation of Sonoran Desert Researchers (N-Gen) represents a renewed effort to create a multinational community of investigators across disciplines. N-Gen is made up of 475+ members in 40+ disciplines across 21 regions of the Sonoran Desert. N-Gen is about our collective work and implementing the ideas we generate together. A growing sense of disconnect among fellow researchers in the same discipline, no less across an increasingly fragmented border, has made it clear that now is the time to holistically approach research and conservation in the Sonoran Desert. Dedicated to the spirit of the Sonoran Desert, the N-Gen mission is to (1) catalyze research and biocultural collaboration, (2) develop an innovative research and conservation agenda, and (3) influence decision makers in both countries to promote a conservation ethic that matches the grandeur of the landscape.

Restauremos El Colorado
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/restauremos-el-colorado-ac

Restauremos El Colorado is the first binational water trust created for the specific purpose of bringing a river back to life and restoring critically-endangered wetland areas in the Colorado River delta. It is hard to believe that this iconic binational river, which carved the Grand Canyon, is mostly a dry riverbed in its delta in Mexico. This reality motivated us to pursue a new path for restoring endangered rivers and associated ecosystems in Mexico, by implementing transfers of water rights in an agricultural district for ecosystem restoration. Our mission is to restore instream flows and endangered native habitats of the Colorado River by securing water rights and delivering flows to the delta, and wetland restoration projects. Our vision is to transform the dry riverbed into a flowing river with restored native cottonwood and willow forests, where local communities are the stewards of the river.

Casa Hogar Alegria
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/casa-hogar-alegria

Casa Hogar Alegria is a home for abandoned and abused girls between the ages of 4 and 18 years in Toluca, the State of Mexico, where qualified personnel provide shelter, food, clothing, education, and medical care. 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. Casa Hogar will double its capacity in 2017 by building a new facility to house an additional 50 girls.
“ I have a personal interest in improving educational opportunities for underprivileged children and youth in the communities where I live, and as a resident of San Diego, I see the border region as our extended community. ICF has given me the opportunity to learn about and make philanthropic investments in the lives of youth outside our borders for over 15 years. This year I visited the Órale Program run by ProSalud and was very impressed by this quality program which empowers students to take the reins and steer their lives towards self-resilience, growth and a better future.”

Robert Chang

Fundación Punta de Mita, A.C.
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/fundacion-punta-de-mita-a-c-fund

Fundación Punta de Mita strives to improve the quality of life of the communities of the Punta de Mita/Riviera Nayarit/Bay of Banderas region by strengthening the civic sector in areas of community development, education, environment and health. The foundation cultivates philanthropy and service through committed donors and volunteers; catalyzes charitable giving, connecting donors to worthwhile projects, and undertakes grant-making that reflects the needs and diversity of the community.

Fundación Universidad de las Americas Puebla (UDLAP)
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/fundacion-universidad-de-las-americas-puebla

Fundación Universidad de las Americas Puebla (UDLAP) provides professional academic education to bright young men and women regardless of their economic capabilities. With both national and international accreditation and over 50 academic majors from Bachelor to Doctorate degrees, UDLAP offers academic courses on Arts and Humanities, Businesses, Engineering, Social Sciences and Sciences to its 7,000 diverse students. From this student population, 40% receive some kind of scholarship.

inSite/CasaGallina

inSite/CasaGallina is the sixth edition in the twenty-year trajectory of projects developed through inSite, a continental nonprofit cultural organization founded in 1992 in the San Diego/Tijuana border region. As inSite has evolved over the past two decades, each version has reinvented and refined a practice of commissioning artists to undertake projects in the context of residencies in communities where we have forged networks to facilitate research and production. Over time, we have become increasingly interested in supporting work engaged in the possibility of activating the public sphere through co-participative experiences and creative processes that are complex in aesthetic, curatorial, and ethical terms. inSite/CasaGallina is conceived as a processual project that will develop over a span of five years, from 2013 through 2018. inSite/CasaGallina operates in a neighborhood, Santa Maria la Ribera, in the megalopolis of Mexico City.

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The International Friends of Museo Tamayo Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/museo-tamayo
Museo Tamayo, founded in 1981 by Olga and Rufino Tamayo, has emerged as the most prestigious contemporary art museum in Latin America and as an icon of museum architecture worldwide. Currently, Museo Tamayo is positioned as a nucleus in Mexico’s contemporary art scope; it has one of the biggest influxes of visitors (1.8 million visitors per year on average) and an increasingly high rate of new followers. With a new and fresh image, Museo Tamayo is looking to consolidate a paradigm for other museums in Latin America.

PVO México - Leer Contigo Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/pvo-mexico-a-c-fund
PVO México - Leer Contigo (Reading with You) sets up and operates reading rooms in pediatric hospitals in Mexico City. We help to improve the emotional wellbeing of hospitalized children and help them to perceive their hospital stay in a more positive light through reading and other educational activities.

SETAC Tu Centro Comunitario Puerto Vallarta
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/setac-tu-centro-comunitario-fund
SETAC is committed to reducing the incidence of HIV/AIDS on the coast of Jalisco and Bahía de Banderas, Nayarit, Mexico to fulfill our mission of preventing, detecting, and diagnosing HIV and AIDS cases, promoting respect for the rights of people living with HIV and for sexual diversity. SETAC provides essential services throughout the community, including physical and mental health treatment and referrals, education, and recreation, in a safe and discrimination-free atmosphere. The Center offers free testing and counseling for HIV and other sexual transmitted illness, and, in accordance with the Global Fund to Fight AIDS Tuberculosis and Malaria, provides condoms to the general and high-risk populations. One of our main programs, "Donate Milk" is to provide powdered milk to babies of mothers living with HIV. Through programs like this we help to reduce the stigma and discrimination associated with HIV, showing that the virus does not discriminate and we are all exposed. "For a world without AIDS for our children".

SOMA Fund
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/soma
SOMA is a non-profit organization conceived to nurture discussion and exchange in the field of contemporary art and education in Mexico City. SOMA’s mission is to provide a forum for dialogue between Mexican and international artists, cultural producers, and the public at large. Through various programs we build platforms to collectively investigate what art can become and how it can function in different contexts. SOMA is a space for reconsideration and reflection, where students and participants have the opportunity to critically analyze their proposals, and where revisiting creative processes is encouraged. SOMA was founded in Mexico City in November 2009 as an initiative of a group of artists with the intention of building upon experiences of local artist-run spaces that have been crucial to the development of Mexican culture since the 1990’s. Our core activities consist of three different programs: SOMA Artistic Development Program (PES), SOMA Summer, and Miércoles de SOMA.
Tierralegre
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/tierralegre-a-c
Tierralegre provides ecological education for a sustainable life in the “Coastalegre” (Southern coast of Jalisco) region of Mexico. Tierralegre’s vision is to instill in the culture an ethic of stewardship for the environment to protect natural resources and the long-term health of local communities and economies through regenerative renewal practices that increase ecological sustainability. Since 2008, Tierralegre has spearheaded the Recycle Costalegre plastic recycling program, the La Gloria Sea Turtle Research and Conservation Station, environmental education courses, and the Playa Limpia initiative. Since 2013 Tierralegre has operated the Center for Applied Agro-Ecology where youth are developing skills in agro-ecology, recycling, green technologies, green construction and business.

Voces y Visiones de Malinalco
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/voces-y-visiones-de-malinalco-fund
The mission of Voces y Visiones de Malinalco, A.C. is to offer families and children of the Malinalco region a well-rounded integral education, sparking a love for learning by developing skills that are harmonious with their environment and community. Voces y Visiones offers pre-school and primary education to 100 children through its main program, Ameyalli Comunidad Educativa, as well as yoga, English, arts and ‘school for parents’ programs.

The Riviera Maya Fund – Anat Kah
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/fundacion-riviera-maya-fund
Anat Kah (“village support”, in Maya) is a community foundation whose mission is to enhance the quality of life for residents of the Riviera Maya by supporting the development of a sustainable civil society that promotes community participation and social investment. This will be accomplished through ongoing evaluation and assessment of community needs and opportunities, the strategic investment of resources to existing nonprofit programs and community projects, technical support for the development of new programs and projects, and the facilitation of community partnerships that help bridge gaps between service and community needs.

Puente a la Salud Comunitaria
http://donate.icfdn.org/#npo/puentes-oaxaca
Puente a la Salud Comunitaria’s mission is to contribute to food sovereignty and advance the health and well-being of rural communities in Oaxaca by promoting the consumption, production, and commercialization of amaranth, a native high-nutrient Mexican grain. Puente’s innovative approach in promoting amaranth as a way to improve livelihoods presents a tangible way for families to strengthen their community, cultural identity and live a dignified life. Puente also works in 10 communities of Hidalgo with partner organization San Miguel de Proyectos Agropecuarios, and is open to partnerships in other Mexican states.
“I have always been passionate about making positive investments in the communities where I live and work, including Baja California and Panama. For over 15 years, I have chosen the International Community Foundation as my primary philanthropic partner in these regions. I appreciate the flexibility and responsiveness of the ICF team to my diverse interests, which range from healthy environments and communities to education and the arts. ICF is a loyal, reliable partner not only for its donors, but also the communities that they serve and the issues that they work for.”

Christy Walton

“The concept of our goal was simple: provide the town of Todos Santos with a school offering a challenging curriculum and a pathway to higher learning. The means for accomplishing our goal were far more difficult. There was nothing about our backgrounds that qualified us to design, construct, staff, and operate a school on our own. Enter two amazing organizations, The Palapa Society of Todos Santos (a local nonprofit) and the International Community Foundation. Together they made our goal a reality. And for that we are forever grateful.”

David and Cindy Higgins
Todos Santos, Mexico

“We find it to be most satisfying giving to philanthropic projects where we can be actively involved as an entire family in a diverse portfolio of projects such as Origen, Casa Hogar Alegría, and Give+. With ICF’s support we have achieved far more than we would have been able to accomplish on our own. For example, the GIVE+ campaign exemplifies how a business venture, H+ Hospitals, and a philanthropic expert, ICF, can come together to create a new model for philanthropy.”

Mark and Erika Hojel
Hojel-Schumacher Foundation
Special thanks to all of our donors and strategic partners, including those who are willing to share their motivations and experiences with others. Together we are inspiring change in the communities we care about!

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