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SUBJECT: PORT OF LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY FUNDING TOPS \$19 MILLION



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SAN PEDRO (CA) - In an effort to be responsive to the needs of its neighboring communities, the Port of Los Angeles has allotted extensive funding for a wide array of programs designed to better serve the Harbor Area. Port sponsorship of Harbor area programs and organizations tops \$19 million in fiscal year 2001. Building on this commitment, the Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners has agreed to increase its annual sponsorship of the TopSail youth sail training program to \$767,000. The funding helps support the ongoing construction of twin brigantine vessels by the L.A. Maritime Institute.

"I am pleased that the Port and the Commission are working together to make the community a better place to live. Although we still have much to do, this is a good sign that we are moving in the right direction," stated Los Angeles Mayor Jim Hahn. A testament to its community involvement, the Port's outreach includes a diverse range of harbor area programs including landmark renovations, museum operations, educational programs, community events, and sponsorship of non-profit organizations. "I commend the Harbor Department for its sponsorship of many worthwhile projects and organizations," said Harbor Area Councilwoman Janice Hahn. "I am hopeful that the Port's present and future commitment to the community will continue to grow."

The Port's support includes rent-free agreements with non-profits, sponsorship of events such as the Lobster Fest, funding for operation and maintenance of facilities, and even help to get some projects off the ground.

"The Board of Harbor Commissioners and Port staff are absolutely dedicated to fully implementing Mayor Hahn's vision of striking a balance between business and community," stated Nicholas Tonsich, Harbor Commission President. "We are proud to say that our community involvement has not wavered and has, in fact, continued to grow since Mayor Hahn has taken office."

ATTACHMENT - PORT OF LOS ANGLES COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Type of Donation

Organization

Timing of Donation

Donation Amount

On-Going Facilities Support Cabrillo Marine Aquarium FY 2001-2002 \$1,472,152

Cabrillo Beach Lifeguard FY 2001-2002 \$751,865

Maritime Museum

FY 2001-2002 \$652,980

Cabrillo Beach Parking

FY 2001-2002 \$392,647

Pier Parking Lot

FY 2001-2002 \$245,276

Point Fermin Lighthouse

FY 2001-2002 \$99,553

John Gibson Park

FY 2001-2002 \$70,052

Wilder Addition(Point Fermin) FY 2001-2002 \$68,238

Cabrillo Fishing Pier

FY 2001-2002 \$28,610

One-Time Facilities Support Cabrillo Marine Aquarium

Master Plan

December 2000 \$40,000

Point Fermin Renovation November 2001 \$1,000,000

Cabrillo Bathhouse Renovation February 1997 \$2,100,000

Banning's Landing

Opened June 2001 \$5,000,000

Ongoing Facilities Commitments

San Pedro Boys & Girls Club (Liberty Hill Plaza)

Current \$100,000

WORLDTOTS(YMCA Harbor

AreaChildcare Facility)

Current \$100,000

Rent-Free Agreements

American Red Cross

Current \$16.924

International Relief Team Current \$21,203

Operation USA Current \$45,547

Park West Children's Fund Current \$144,038

L.A. Shares

Current \$46,368

The Seaman's Church Institute Current \$59,486

Los Angeles Regional Food Bank Current \$360,154

Los Angeles Unified

School District

Current \$93,060

Harbor Community Development

Corp. Current \$60,018

Harbor Area Gang Alternatives

Program Current \$51,563

Young Men's Christian Assoc. Current \$153,929

Los Angeles Area Council of

the Boy Scouts of America Current \$689,425

Port of Los Angeles Boys

& Girls Club – Liberty Plaza Current \$433,400

Wilmington Teen Center

Current \$75,174

Community Events/Annual Programs Lobster Festival

FY 2001-2002 \$55,000

Street Banners

FY 2001-2002 \$50,000

TopSail

FY 2001-2002 \$767,000*

Adopt-A-Highway

FY 2001-2002 \$9,000

Taste in San Pedro

FY 2001-2002 \$20,000

World Trade Week

FY 2001-2002 \$40,000

Community Events/Annual Programs Educational Programming

FY 2001-2002 \$35,000

Videotaping of Public Board

Meetings for airing on

CitiChannel 35

FY 2001-2002 \$185,000

Banning High School

International Trade Academy FY 2001-2002 \$60,000

Local Sponsorships

Various Local Event Sponsorships FY 2001-2002 \$40,000

Workshops

Community Workshops

FY 2001-2002 \$400,000

Memberships

Community Organization Memberships FY 2001-2002 \$24,000

Beautification

Port-wide Beautification Program FY 2001-2002 \$3,000,000

TOTAL \$19,015,662

^{*}includes additional anticipated funding