

## PROJECTS APPROVED IN DECEMBER 2017

WORDS ALIVE \$530.00 Shopper: Bonnie Van Vugt

Words Alive helps students and families understand that reading is an tool that opens doors in their futures. They serve over 5,500 children and families throughout San Diego County each month. The Book Group program serves at-risk adolescents that have experienced circumstances such as violence, pregnancy and homelessness.

The request is for FOCUS to purchase several copies of: Piecing Me Together, The Hate You Give, Ender's Game, and American Ace.

SAN DIEGO RESCUE MISSION \$2,000 Shopper: Sharon Shelton

The San Diego County Rescue Mission believes in the inherent worth of every homeless man, woman and child. Their focus is on serving the needs of individuals. There are situations where the homeless, specifically women and their children, need to find a safe place to spend the night. They have an emergency shelter for women and children where they can sleep, have a hot meal, shower and get clothing.

The request is for FOCUS to purchase diapers-size 5, underwear for boys and girls, small to ex-large shoes, hoodies, jackets, educational toys and books, as well as toothbrushes, shampoo and deodorant.

CASA DE AMPARO \$2,500 Shopper: Lorna Perez-Caster

This is a campus that treats and helps in the prevention of child abuse and neglect in San Diego County. The Campus has home-like cottages with an outdoor area for play. Casa Kids, prenatal through 18 years old, who have been traumatized by severe child abuse or neglect stay at the Casa Kids Campus, a safe and nurturing setting on 11.4 acres of land in San Marcos, CA. Each Casa Kid receives comprehensive trauma informed care tailored to their individual physical, social, emotional, developmental, and educational needs, while also ensure they have as many healthy childhood experiences as possible.

The request is for FOCUS to purchase diapers, shampoo, bibs, bottles, as well as household items for the cottages such as pots and pans, cleaning supplies and paper towels.