



**ABS Foundation, Inc.**

*Committed to the Community*



**2014 ANNUAL REPORT**



## **Who are we?**

*We are the employees and friends of American Building Supply; we are the ABS Foundation. We began in 2003 with a sincere desire to give back a portion of our success to the communities where we live and work. We believe that our responsibilities go beyond producing great products. We are committed to working with our neighbors to help build stronger communities and enhance individual opportunity.*

## **What do we do?**

*To show our commitment, each member of the ABS Foundation volunteers his or her time, expertise and effort for the sake of others. It is our belief that true corporate citizenship begins in the community, helping those in need. The ABS Foundation started small, but every month it renews its commitment to building an endowment so that our legacy is meaningful and enduring.*

## **Mission Statement**

**The ABS Foundation shall create an endowment to make charitable contributions or support charitable organizations under the following guidelines:**

- 1) Donations shall serve the communities in the general vicinity of the various locations of the plants or business operations of American Building Supply or its affiliates.
- 2) Donations shall have a demonstrable benefit to making the local communities a better place to live.
- 3) Donations shall be in the following categories
  - a) social welfare,
  - b) educational activities,
  - c) youth activities, and
  - d) arts and cultural activities.
- 4) Donations shall receive priority if a significant number of American Building Supply employees are also involved in the activity.
- 5) Donation priority shall be given to eligible communities that have not received prior support.
- 6) Donations shall be made only where it is clear that the donation will be spent on the intended result and there is clear accountability of funds.

**Donations will not be made in the following categories:**

- 1) Projects specifically related to religious purposes.
- 2) Projects largely duplicating government or private agency programs.
- 3) Projects providing service to a very narrow segment of the community.
- 4) Projects that are not clearly defined, not feasible, not cost effective, or are otherwise inappropriate.
- 5) Projects that benefit American Building Supply, its employees, the officers and board members of the Foundation, or any relatives or associates of American Building Supply or the ABS Foundation.

**The ABS Foundation shall make donations from the creation of an endowment instead of from current contributions as follows:**

- 1) The creation of the endowment and the resulting donations shall conform to the applicable rules of the IRS and CA Franchise Tax Board for nonprofit entities.
- 2) An endowment is created in order to maximize the long-term impact of the charitable potential, to provide a legacy for future generations, and to level out the donations made from year to year.
- 3) Donations shall be limited to the minimum allowed under law in order to build up the endowment and the resulting income from the endowment, unless otherwise deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors.
- 4) The endowment shall be invested to maximize long term return without unduly jeopardizing the funds. No investment of the endowment shall be in American Building Supply or its affiliates.

**The expenses of the ABS Foundation shall be held to an absolute minimum as follows:**

- 1) The Board of Directors and Officers of the Foundation shall serve at no salary and their time shall be entirely donated.
- 2) There shall be no other paid or salaried staff of the Foundation.
- 3) All other expenses and costs of the Foundation shall be donated where possible.
- 4) Where expenses cannot be avoided, the Board will attempt whenever possible, to seek the lowest cost alternative for the service.

## 2014 Contributions and Grants

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|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Academic Talent Search                       | Sacramento, CA       |
| American River College                       | Sacramento, CA       |
| Aquarium of the Pacific                      | Long Beach, CA       |
| Atlanta Furniture Bank                       | Atlanta, GA          |
| Atlanta Technical College                    | Atlanta, GA          |
| Butte-Glenn Community College                | Oroville, CA         |
| Children's Museum of Atlanta                 | Atlanta, GA          |
| Children's Museum of Denver                  | Denver, CO           |
| Children's Museum of Stockton                | Stockton, CA         |
| College of the Redwoods                      | Eureka, CA           |
| Cosumnes River College                       | Sacramento, CA       |
| Food on Foot                                 | Beverly Hills, CA    |
| Free Arts for Abused Children                | Los Angeles, CA      |
| Green River Community College                | Auburn, WA           |
| Guide Dogs of the Desert                     | Palm Springs, CA     |
| Hawaii Food Bank                             | Honolulu, HI         |
| Junior Achievement of Orange County          | Costa Mesa, CA       |
| Junior Achievement of Sacramento             | Sacramento, CA       |
| Jurupa Mountain Discovery Center             | Jurupa Valley, CA    |
| My Stuff Bags Foundation                     | Westlake Village, CA |
| Neighborhood Center of the Arts              | Grass Valley, CA     |
| Novato Community Theater, Inc.               | Novato, CA           |
| Orange Coast Community College               | Costa Mesa, CA       |
| Our Military Kids                            | Atlanta, GA          |
| Palama Settlement                            | Honolulu, HI         |
| Project Angel Heart                          | Denver, CO           |
| Project R.I.D.E.                             | Elk Grove, CA        |
| Ranger Ranch Garden/Wilson Elementary School | Coppell, TX          |
| Red Rocks Community College                  | Lakewood, CO         |
| Sacramento Food Bank                         | Sacramento, CA       |
| Safetyville USA                              | Sacramento, CA       |
| San Joaquin Delta College                    | Stockton, CA         |
| School on Wheels, Inc.                       | Ventura, CA          |
| Shoes That Fit                               | Stockton, CA         |
| Sierra College                               | Rocklin, CA          |
| Star Jasmine/Jams                            | Santa Barbara, CA    |
| Studio East                                  | Kirkland, WA         |

## Whom do we help?

*Our four categories of giving include education, youth activities, arts and cultural and social welfare. Our mission statement is enclosed, as well as a listing of our grants from the past year.*

## More about ABS

*American Building Supply has operations in Sacramento, Stockton, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Denver, Seattle, Atlanta and Dallas. Other Divisions of the company include JBL Hawaii Ltd., with operations in Honolulu.*



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## Officers, Directors, and Committees

### Officers and Directors

President: Mark Ballantyne  
Secretary: Sharee Ballantyne  
Vice President: Dave Baker  
Chief Financial Officer: Sharon Van Osdol

### Directors

Director: Gary Poroli  
Director: Jeffery Wilkendorf  
Director: Doug Shorey

### Investment Advisors

Chairperson: John Logan  
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Chairperson: John Wheeler  
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Chairperson: Greg Leffers  
Assistant Chairperson: Open  
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Staff: Lupe Aguirre  
Staff: Gary Lee  
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### Youth Activities Committee

Chairperson: Dan Palhegyi  
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Staff: Mike Hamburg  
Staff: Scott Bennett  
Staff: Amanda Wojnar

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Chairperson: Bruce Greek  
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Staff: John Mikkelsen  
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### Friends and Contributors

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