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**2015 ANNUAL REPORT**



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## 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.

## 2015 Contributions and Grants

Academic Talent Search	Sacramento, CA
Aquarium of the Pacific	Long Beach, CA
Art Hatch	Escondido, 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
CHP 11-99	Los Angeles, CA
CHP 11-99	Stockton, CA
CHP 11-99	Sacramento, CA
College of the Redwoods	Eureka, CA
Cosumnes River College	Sacramento, CA
El Camino College Foundation	Torrance, CA
Fine Arts Chamber	Dallas, TX
Future for Kids	Scottsdale, AZ
Food on Foot	Beverly Hills, CA
Great Arizona Puppet Theater	Phoenix, AZ
Green River Community College	Auburn, WA
Guide Dogs of the Desert	Palm Springs, CA
Hawaii Food Bank	Honolulu, HI
High Desert Cultural Center	Joshua Tree, CA
Junior Achievement of Orange County	Costa Mesa, CA
Junior Achievement of Sacramento	Sacramento, 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
Oregon Institute of Technology	Klamath Falls, OR
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
Ronald McDonald House	Sacramento, CA
Sacramento Food Bank	Sacramento, CA
Safetyville USA	Sacramento, CA
San Joaquin Delta College	Stockton, CA
School on Wheels, Inc.	Ventura, 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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## 2015 Officers, Directors, and Committees

### **Officers:**

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Vice President Dave Baker  
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