AGC CHARITIES

2016 AGC in the Community Award Winners

CHAPTER WINNER:

Inland Northwest AGC
Habitat for Humanity Hope Meadows

The Inland Northwest AGC and the Carpenter and Heavy Equipment Operator Apprenticeship Program teamed up with the Spokane affiliate of Habitat for Humanity to provide infrastructure and construct homes in the Hope Meadows development located Deer Park, Wash. Over 40 apprentices participated in the project and all suppliers were AGC members, including 15 member firms that provided free or discounted materials. The project included installing 400 feet of mainline sewer, three manholes, three drainage structures, backfilling and grading 10 existing dwellings and preparing site development. The completed project will help 114 families achieve home ownership.

CHAPTER SPECIAL RECOGNITION WINNERS:

AGC Georgia Young Leadership
Georgia Center for Child Advocacy

The AGC Georgia Young Leadership Program renovated spaces within the Georgia Center for Child Advocacy, a non-profit organization that champions the needs of sexually and severely physically abused children. The project included resolving acoustical issues during video recordings and enhancing the experience of children and their families during interviews and therapy. As part of that work, the young leaders increased the size of one interview room, added walls to the deck with acoustical sealant, rewrapped fabric panels, painted, placed new floor and base, and added new furniture and light fixtures. The completed project increased the video quality and made for a more comfortable environment for the children and staff of the advocacy center.

AGC of Massachusetts
AGC MA/CLC Annual Community Service Day 2016

More than 150 volunteers representing 50 local construction companies helped renovate the Dorchester campus of St. Mary's Center for Women and Children. The renovation included repairs to the buildings' façade; updates to the interior of the center's GRLZradio.org, an afterschool program and web-based radio station for teen girls; the addition of a bedroom in Margaret's House, an onsite residence for homeless families; improvements to the community space in St. Mary's Home, a residential program for pregnant and parenting teens; and renovations to the Center's lobby and reception area.

AGC Puerto Rico Chapter
MAVI

AGC Puerto Rico Chapter renovated the independent life facility of MAVI, a non-profit organization that helps handicapped people learn basic daily life chores. This renovation project included improvements to the electrical infrastructure; plumbing infrastructure; construction of a new accessible bathroom and laundry room; expansion of the kitchen and setting up wheelchair access to it; construction of new entryways and the installation of new, accessible doors. With a $25,000 budget and a staff of 45 people, the chapter was able to complete the job in a record two-week period.

AGC San Diego Chapter
Giving Back to the Community

The AGC San Diego Chapter organized three local community projects, all geared to giving back to the community: supporting local military heroes, helping a local school for the homeless and organizing an industry-wide blood drive. With over 50 member firms participating, AGC San Diego was able to contribute $12,000 to the Marine Corps Community Services. The chapter also raised enough money to provide 300 backpacks with school supplies for the Monarch School, whose students live on the streets, in shelters, or in cars. In addition, AGC San Diego annual industry-wide blood drive collected 380 pints of blood from over 350 donors over a two-day period last year.

AGC of Virginia
90 for 90 Campaign

The AGC of Virginia's 90 for 90 Campaign was part of association's 90th anniversary celebration. The campaign's goal was to raise $90,000, the equivalent of $1,000 for each year of the chapter's existence, from members for the Wounded Warrior Project, a program designed to help rehabilitate injured veterans from the Mideast conflict. After sending out frequent mailings and making presentations at various meetings with members throughout the state, the chapter exceeded it goal, raising over $94,000 for the Wounded Warrior Project.

Montana Contractors' Association
Eagle Mount "Digger Days"

Montana Contractors' Association organized and sponsored a charity event that raised more than $100,000 for Eagle Mount, an organization that provides recreational opportunities for people with disabilities and children with cancer. As part of that effort, the chapter held a hands-on construction fair where over 3,000 children and adults were able to operate and learn about heavy construction equipment, exposing them to future construction careers. The chapter spent $3,000 developing promotional materials which ran a month and half before the start of the event. In addition, the AGC student chapter from Montana State University along with 120 member volunteers and chapter staff were instrumental in the success of this project, assisting kids, guiding parents and providing information to all the attendees.

MEMBER WINNER:

Hensel Phelps
Rotary PlayGarden

Hensel Phelps successfully completed a new Rotary PlayGarden, which added a 4.5 acre playground within the Guadalupe River Park and Gardens. Equipped with adaptive playground equipment and designed to be fully accessible to any child, regardless of physical ability, the park fills a critical need as an inclusive playground. Hensel Phelps worked for no fee as the design builder for the Rotary Club of San Jose and the park was given to the City of San Jose to celebrate the Club's Centennial Anniversary. Hensel Phelps relied on its vast networks of subcontractors and material suppliers to successfully complete the project on time, safely and within the $6 million budget over the 10-month schedule.

MEMBER SPECIAL RECOGNITION WINNERS:

Amason & Associates, Inc.
Tuscaloosa School Gardens Project

The Tuscaloosa School Gardens Project was a two-phase project in which Amason & Associates provided financial, labor, equipment and planning support for the Druid City Garden Program, an experiential learning to teach a garden-based math and science curriculum for three local elementary schools. In addition to installing the garden, the Amason team contributed $10,000 dollars to successfully complete the installation at one of the schools. The gardens will allow over 1,200 students to participate in hands-on science and math based curriculum while learning about healthy eating and business skill through the sale of produce at student-run farm stands.

Barton Malow Company
2015 Community Week

During the Barton Malow Community Week, nearly 400 employees from across the country volunteered at over 20 non-profit organizations impacting thousands of community members in Atlanta, Baltimore, Charlottesville, Chicago, Columbus, Daytona, Detroit, Orlando and Richmond. The Barton Malow employees put in 2,800 volunteer hours cleaning, sorting, serving, feeding, reading, landscaping and building. All told, their combined contributions were worth an estimated value of over $150,000.

Elford, Inc. Construction Services
The Fishing Trip

The team at Elford, Inc. organized a fishing trip for the kids of the Specialized Learning Program, a program that provides support services to students with a broad range of social, academic and behavioral special needs. Elford hosts the fishing trip in the pond in front of its headquarters, stocking it with hungry fish and providing gear for all the children. The fishing trip helps engage the students in new life experiences in a fun, interactive, non-judgmental and natural environment. The employees of the construction firm also get involved by spending time with the students, talking to them and teaching them to fish.

Ferrovial Agroman US Corp.
LBJ Express

LBJ Express project was a major highway renovation project along a 13-mile east-west corridor in the Dallas-Fort Worth metro area impacting nearly one million people. During the five year renovation project, the Ferrovial Agroman team created a program to provide STEM education for the area's underserved schools. As part of that effort, the firm connected local students with project team members so the students could learn about, and consider, careers in transportation infrastructure development. In addition, the LBJ team partnered with the National Math and Science Initiative to put in place a first-ever Advanced Placement Training and Incentive Program at a local high school.

The Gallegos Corporation
45th Anniversary Legacy Project

The Gallegos Corporation celebrated its 45 anniversary by embarking on three community projects, one in each city the company had offices. One project included providing labor and materials to pave a shaded area located next to Roundup River Ranch's fishing and activities pond. Roundup River Ranch is a medical specialty camp committed to serving children with serious illnesses. The second project included providing labor and materials to build an outdoor learning space at Crystal River Elementary School. And the final project included building a new firehouse for the Rist Canyon Volunteer Fire Department to replace one that was lost in a 2012 fire.

The Lane Construction Corporation
Wears Valley Ranch Culvert Restoration

Lane Construction replaced a deteriorated culvert with a culvert bridge and guardwalls at the Wears Valley Ranch, a program that takes in children from unsecured /hostile environments and provides them with a stable and faith-based environment. Lane donated the services of 50 employees, who provided $14,000 worth of labor, as well as materials and equipment, to complete the project in five weeks.

Turner Construction Company
Founders' Day of Service: May 6, 2015

Turner Construction celebrated its 113th anniversary last May. To celebrate the milestone and honor the company's long history of community engagement, the firm encouraged its employees to participate in a company-wide day of service. More than 2,000 employees from the firms offices nationwide and globally joined forces with community organizations—from soup kitchens to home builders to schools—to complete a collective 9,000 hours of community service.

Zumasys, Inc.
Zumasys & FluidMaster team up w/ Habitat for Humanity

Zumasys teamed up with FluidMaster to recruit 75 people, including employees, customers, vendors and friends, to build two houses for families in need as part of the Habitat for Humanity program. The Zumasys team worked side-by-side with the families slated to live in the new homes to complete the project. In addition to providing homes for the needy, the firm's charitable efforts have helped boost employee satisfaction, retention and performance.