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LW Foundation Charity: How We Used Donations in 2023

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Donors and potential donors to the Foundation should know how their contribution is used before giving. A look back at the 2023 shows what has been done recently and the sort of future activity that can be expected. The Foundation website, www.lwfnd.com, has the 2023 Annual Report now posted. And the following is a summary:

Our new program - the **Service Excellence Awards** – gave financial gifts to a clubs/services have a mission that aligned with that of the Foundation's. We support programs, events, and services that are designed to entertain, educate, and improve the health of our residents. And typically, an element of kindness toward residents is provided by the club.

In 2023, we gave six awards to the following:

- F.I.S.H. (Friends In Sickness and Health)
- LW Low Vision Group
- LW Book Club Network
- Center for Lifelong Learning
- The LW Library (Rossmoor Library Guild)
- The Club to Help Homeless/Working Poor

The Foundation also provided grants to certain clubs based on the purpose of their request. Any organization can make a request but certain requirements must be met.

Grants were provided to:

The Edmonson Historical Society
The Community Gardens Club
The Pickleball Club
The Rossmoor Camera Club
LW Health Standing Committee
LW Lifestyle Committee
LW Social Work
The Chinese Club

In November, The Foundation held a Veterans Day event in the Crystal Ballroom to acknowledge our residents who have served in the U.S. military. The purpose of the event was to “salute” these veterans. All residents of Leisure World, especially veterans, were welcomed without charge. At the event, some LW veterans gave brief accounts of their experiences in the military.

The Foundation is not a LW Governance body. It is guided by its own governing documents and the requirements of a 501c3 nonprofit charity.

F_a1.JPG *Service Excellence Rewards Recipients*

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F_a2.JPG *Veterans Day Salute*

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F_a3.JPG *Presenting to Neal Fall /Library Guild*

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