



California Environmental Education Foundation
Annual Report
January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2013

Message from the President

The California Environmental Education Foundation (CEEFF) has been a non-profit in California for many years. However, in 2013, CEEFF began to take a more active role in providing leadership to environmental education efforts and projects in California. We are excited about serving in this capacity and helping promote and expand environmental education across the state.

CEEFF had several key accomplishments in 2013.

- CEEFF successfully hosted its second Teacher Institute on Best Practices in Environmental Education and Stewardship
- CEEFF board members communicated regularly with the California Department of Education and the Office of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to support the development of a Blueprint for Environmental Literacy
- CEEFF recruited one new board member and has identified additional environmental education leaders to recruit next year to implement the objectives in our Strategic Plan.

Given that the CEEFF board members are volunteers, we are proud of these accomplishments and look forward to 2014 to continue our efforts to support environmental education in California.

Celeste Royer, President

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San Luis Obispo County Office of Education

Sandy Derby, Vice-President

Project Learning Tree

Rita Bell, Secretary

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Ray Ng, Treasurer

Sandia National Laboratories, retired

David Massey, Board Member

San Diego County Office of Education, retired

Walter Zeisl, Board Member

Los Angeles Department of Water and Power

Bill Andrews, Executive Director

California Department of Education, retired

Organizational Development

The California Environmental Education Foundation had a productive year laying the foundation to expand its productivity and diversify board representation. The board was successful in identifying a number of board member candidates, and recruited one new board member representing STEM education. Internal and external communication capacity also grew as the board implemented strategies to exchange and review digital documents and post public resources on the Foundation's website.

Program Accomplishments



The Foundation's 2013 Teacher Institute on "Best Practices of Environmental Education and Stewardship" was successfully completed in partnership with the Santa Clara County of Office of Education. The [Final Evaluation Report](#), analyzing the Teacher Institute outcomes, has been posted on the Foundation [website](#).

Outreach presentations describing the 2011 and 2013 Institute evaluation findings and promoting the Foundation's mission of environmental stewardship were conducted at the California Council for History Education conference, The California Department of Education's 1st Annual STEM Conference, and the California Outdoor School Association's bi-annual conference.

To further cultivate the use of environment-based science in the classroom, an award program was developed to recognize and promote the accomplishments of science fair students and teacher-mentors who demonstrate Excellence in environmental education. . A sponsor for cash prizes and location of judging venues have been identified for the 2014 regional and state science fair calendar.

The Foundation continued to maintain open dialogue with the California Department of Education and remained mobilized to support the advancement of the State Superintendent of Public Instructions Blueprint for Environmental Literacy.

Financial Statement

Source of Funds	Budget FY 2013
Grants	\$ 50,295.00
Use of Funds	
Teacher Institute	\$ 43,929.00
CEEF Outreach Program	\$ 413.00
Science Fair Award Program	\$ -
Blue Print for Environmental Literacy	\$ -
Total Use of Funds	\$ 44,342.00

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