



SUNDT FOUNDATION

Presentation to:
Alliance of Arizona Nonprofits

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Background

- ◆ Sundt is a 120-year-old construction company owned by its approximately 1,100 employees.
- ◆ The Foundation was formed in 1999 to give employees a way to financially support charities in their communities.

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- ◆ The Sundt Foundation is a 501 (c)(3) organization with 560 members.
- ◆ To date, the Foundation has made grants totaling approximately \$3 million.
- ◆ Giving focuses on programs that help disadvantaged children and adults.
- ◆ Grants range from \$1,000 to \$10,000.

Locations

◆ The Sundt Foundation makes grants to nonprofit organizations in:

- Tucson
- Phoenix
- San Diego
- Sacramento
- Dallas



Governance

- ◆ Board of Directors comprised of:
 - Four company appointees
 - One “at large” member from each city
- ◆ Employee committees in each city review grants and make recommendations to the board

Sources of Funds

- ◆ Employees make weekly contributions by payroll deduction.
- ◆ The company matches their contributions, usually dollar-for-dollar.
- ◆ The company pays expenses, so all money raised goes for grants.



Simple Application Process

◆ We require:

- Completed one-page grant application
 - Copy of organization's 501 (c)(3) letter
 - List of current board members
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- Follow up letter one-year later confirming appropriate use of funds.

We do not fund requests for:

- ◆ Programs outside of our giving guidelines
- ◆ Multi-year capital campaigns
- ◆ Construction of administrative space
- ◆ Programs with a religious influence

Volunteerism

- ◆ The Sundt Foundation also supports employees' volunteer efforts. Each year, Sundt employees give hundreds of hours to help out various charities.
- ◆ One very special volunteer program is the Mike Gaines Charitable Fundraising Events.

Mike Gaines Charity Events

Mike Gaines, a Sundt employee for nearly 20 years, was diagnosed with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) in 1999.



In 2001, his fellow employees organized a golf tournament to raise money for ALS research. Mike was still well enough to participate. He also attended in 2002.



Mike Gaines Charity Events

- ◆ After Mike passed away in late 2002, the golf tournaments continued.
- ◆ Today, they are held annually in Tucson, Phoenix and San Diego. There's also a fun skeet shoot each year in Tucson.
- ◆ To date approximately \$500,000 has been raised for ALS research.



Apply for a Grant

- ◆ Materials and guidelines are on our web site, www.sundtfoundation.org.
- ◆ Grants are considered every quarter.
- ◆ Please feel free to contact me if you have questions: Charlie Boyd, 750-4610 or caboyd@sundt.com