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Oregon Jewish Community Foundation NEWS

OREGON JEWISH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AWARDS UNRESTRICTED GRANTS

Portland, OR, Nov 30, 2004 - (Jewish Review) – The Oregon Jewish Community Foundation is pleased to announce that our Distribution Committee and Board of Trustees have awarded a total of \$16,000 from OJCF's Unrestricted Fund benefiting seven Oregon Organizations and therefore, the community as a whole. This year, the fund was able to more than double its impact in the community, thanks in part to a bequest to the Unrestricted Fund from the trust of Asa and Adrienne Arnsberg. The Distribution Committee received 18 proposals for consideration. The following programs received funding:

- \$3,000 - Cedar Sinai Park's Legacy Trail project
- \$3,500 - Jewish Family and Child Services Community Immigrant Services
- \$1,500 - Jewish Review Newsroom Equipment Upgrade
- \$2,000 - Hillel at U of O's Shabbat on Wheels
- \$2,000 - Oregon Jewish Museum's "Jews at Work: 150 Years of Commerce and Industry in Oregon"
- \$2,500 - Congregation Shaarie Torah's Cemetery Perpetual Care; and
- \$1,000 - Oregon State University's Holocaust Memorial Program /Breitman lecture

"The challenge that OJCF faces is growing the organization's Unrestricted Fund so that the needs of its Member Agencies and the community may be better met", said Stan Blauer, OJCF President. John Moss, OJCF Executive Director added, "The goal of the OJCF is to have its resources in the general Unrestricted Fund be used to ensure the survival of the local Jewish community and also to encourage and reward innovation".

Donors can leave a legacy to the community's Unrestricted Fund by naming OJCF through a variety giving vehicles. Donors, such as the Arnsbergs, can also leave a legacy in testamentary fashion (after death) through the use of a bequest or in inter-vivo fashion (while living). These planned gifts can support a specific Jewish and/or secular charity. OJCF also assists Jewish organizations in securing permanent endowments through consultation and marketing activities.

OJCF's Distribution Committee gives priority to projects addressing needs in the areas of **Jewish art and culture, community development, education, health, social welfare** and/or any other special events that:

- Represent an innovative, start-up effort
- Are capital in nature, i.e. construction, renovation, equipment
- Promote collaboration among qualified organizations without duplicating services
- Serve a broad segment of the community
- Are located in Oregon or the SW Washington area

About OJCF

The Oregon Jewish Community Foundation is dedicated to creating, promoting, and facilitating a culture of giving, and serves as a permanent repository of funds available to safeguard the quality of Jewish communal life in Oregon and Southwest Washington. OJCF offers a variety giving vehicles including donor advised funds and charitable trusts. We provide educational services for donors interested in leaving a charitable legacy. The Foundation invests the money and provides the donor with the maximum tax deductions. These planned gifts can support a specific Jewish and/or secular charity. OJCF also assists Jewish organizations in securing permanent endowments through consultation and marketing activities.