

# SURPRISE VALLEY EDUCATION FOUNDATION



## Accomplishments 2014

The vision of the Surprise Valley Education Foundation is to enrich educational opportunities for children living in the Surprise Valley community.



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## **From the President**

*2014 was an amazing year for the Surprise Valley Education Foundation thanks to generous contributions and support from both our local and long-distance community! My proverbial hat is off to our incredible Board of Directors who devoted so much time and energy to make 2014 such a success.*

*We formally organized in late 2013. In 2014, not only did we continue improving our organization and get our website up and running, but most importantly, our fundraising efforts allowed us to award our first grants to four Surprise Valley Joint Unified School District classes totaling \$4,500.*

*This report provides a snapshot of our goals for 2015. We hope you will be inspired and join our journey to enrich educational opportunities for the children of the Surprise Valley community.*

*Thanks again and I look forward to a fun and successful 2015!*



*Edie Asrow*  
*President, Surprise Valley Education Foundation*

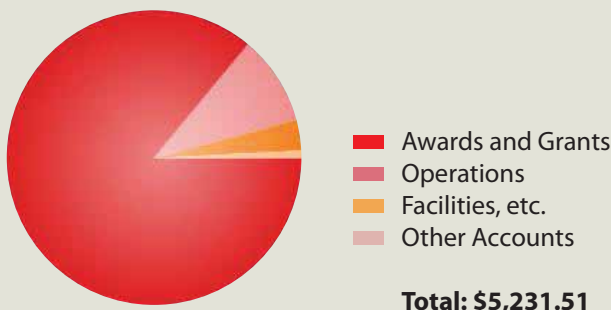
## **Accomplishments 2014**

- Formalized the Foundation in November 2013.
- Worked to establish the SVEdF as 501(c)3 non-profit organization (finalized February 2015!).
- Through fundraisers and donations raised \$8,552.
- Set up a website, email address and Facebook page.
- Met with SVJUSD staff to create a list of ideas for future projects.
- Promoted the Foundation at the Ft. Bidwell BBQ and Surprise Valley Saturday Markets.
- Entered an educational exhibit at the Modoc District Fair and earned the second place prize.
- Held our first fundraising event as a Post Halloween Ball and raised over \$2,200.
- Offered our first grant application and awarded three grants totaling \$4500 to SVJUSD classes.
- Started a Community Partners Project to share skills of talented community members with SV children.

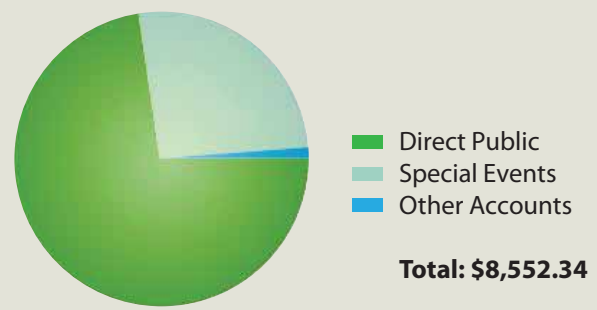
## **Goals for 2015-16**

- Increase the Foundation's funds by \$20,000 through donations, grants, fundraising and partnerships.
- Ignite excitement for life's possibilities by hosting four inspiring seminars for students, educational staff and the community.
- Continue to develop and support the Community Partners Project with SVJUSD through outreach and networking.
- Raise awareness of our mission and goals through a variety of outreach efforts.
- Provide at least \$10,000 in grants to Surprise Valley youth to expand educational opportunities.

### **2014 Expense Breakdown**



### **2014 Income Breakdown**



## 2014 Awarded Grants

On November 13, 2014 the SVEdF proudly awarded its very first grants to classes of the Surprise Valley Joint Unified School District. Totaling \$4,500, we covered four of our eight target categories: *S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics); Enhancing Student Learning Environments; Arts and Culture; and Life Skills, College and Career Readiness.*

High School teacher David Schulz's Technology Class received **\$500 for a BrickPi Bundle** with a resource set, sensors, motors and cables. Using multimeters and light sensors, students write their own software and build autonomous robots for classroom robotic challenges.



BrickPi robotics

The sixth grade class received **\$2,000 for Marin County's NatureBridge Environmental Science Camp** -- hands-on science in a coastal environment, studying marine ecology, terrestrial plants, animals, watershed, earth/physical sciences and climate change. Teachers Heather Pratt and Rikki Carey assisted with class fundraising efforts for the \$2,270 balance needed for this trip.



4th/5th grade recycling fundraiser

To enrich history and social studies outside the classroom, the 4th/5th grade accepted **\$2000 to visit the State Capitol** including the California State Railroad Museum, Sacramento History Museum, Old Sacramento and meeting with our government representatives. Teacher Jenny Grove guided student fundraisers (\$1,200) to augment their \$5,000 trip which will take place in May, 2015.

## 2014 Donors

Katherine Kendrick  
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Four Seasons Supply  
Seab's True Value  
Janet's Flowers  
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Brushworx Salon  
Surprise Valley Hot Springs  
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Golden Rose Production  
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**Surprise Valley Education Foundation's mission is to seek resources and partnerships to enhance educational opportunities for children in the Surprise Valley community.**

**HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?**

- ➔ Donate by visiting our website at [www.surprisevalleyEdF.org](http://www.surprisevalleyEdF.org) and click on [Donate](#) or mail a check to: Surprise Valley Education Foundation, PO Box 274, Cedarville, CA 96104
- ➔ Participate in our events and help outreach by sharing our website, and/or "Like" our Facebook page! <https://www.facebook.com/surprisevalleyedf>
- ➔ Connect the Foundation with potential partnerships by emailing [SVEdFoundation@svjUSD.org](mailto:SVEdFoundation@svjUSD.org) with ideas or introductions!

***Check out our website for upcoming fundraising events or look for our booth at many Surprise Valley events. Help our youth have a better future and contribute to this worthy cause!***



SVEdF Costume Ball Fundraiser 2014

*"Surprise Valley Education Foundation was established just over a year ago. In that short time the dedicated Board members have enthusiastically worked on ideas, projects, and fundraisers. Their hard work has enabled students to partake in education outside of the class room. We are excited to see what projects will be supported by the foundation in the future."*

*—Janelle Anderson, SVJUSD Superintendent*



Surprise Valley High School, 1940

*"Without doubt, education is the key to success and opening doors of opportunity in the 21st Century. As a community, we must do everything possible to keep those doors open for our youth. I fully support SVEdF's efforts toward that goal and hope you will become a supporter too. For over 100 years, our schools have produced many fine, accomplished citizens. Let's make sure those standards of excellence continue into the future."*

*— Ann Wylie Odgers, Retired Teacher, SVJUSD*

*"I am happy to support the efforts of SVEdF. Their mission statement tells the story. Please place SVEdF on your charity of choice; and help as you can. We have the opportunity to again make a difference at SVHS."*

*— Jim Wilson, Class of 1958*

