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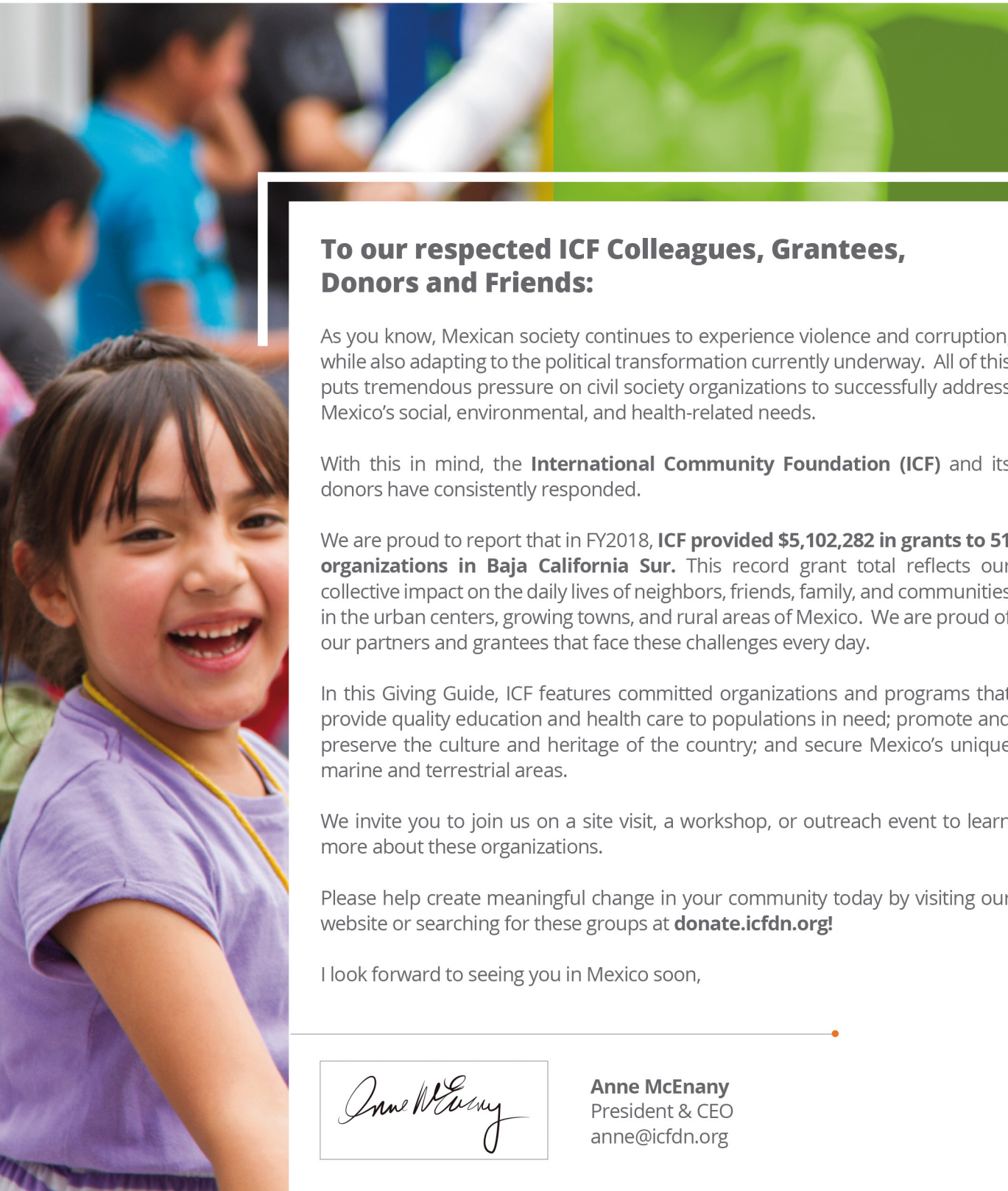
ICF's Impact:

“ICF is an international nonprofit organization, which seeks to inspire international charitable giving by U.S. donors, particularly those with an interest in Northwest Mexico to strengthen civil society and promote sustainable communities.”

FY2018 Key Facts: *ESTIMATED

- Total Assets: \$25.271 million
- Total Grants: \$10.812 million/Grants in BCS:
 - ♦ “Friends of” Funds: 32 in Baja California Sur
 - ♦ Grants since 1990: \$89.78 M
 - ♦ EIN: 33-0457858

Driven by donor passion, the International Community Foundation leads and supports environment, education, health and community development initiatives through local non-profit partners.



To our respected ICF Colleagues, Grantees, Donors and Friends:

As you know, Mexican society continues to experience violence and corruption, while also adapting to the political transformation currently underway. All of this puts tremendous pressure on civil society organizations to successfully address Mexico's social, environmental, and health-related needs.

With this in mind, the **International Community Foundation (ICF)** and its donors have consistently responded.

We are proud to report that in FY2018, **ICF provided \$5,102,282 in grants to 51 organizations in Baja California Sur.** This record grant total reflects our collective impact on the daily lives of neighbors, friends, family, and communities in the urban centers, growing towns, and rural areas of Mexico. We are proud of our partners and grantees that face these challenges every day.

In this Giving Guide, ICF features committed organizations and programs that provide quality education and health care to populations in need; promote and preserve the culture and heritage of the country; and secure Mexico's unique marine and terrestrial areas.

We invite you to join us on a site visit, a workshop, or outreach event to learn more about these organizations.

Please help create meaningful change in your community today by visiting our website or searching for these groups at **donate.icfdn.org!**

I look forward to seeing you in Mexico soon,

Anne McEnany
President & CEO
anne@icfdn.org



5 Simple Ways To Give

The International Community Foundation offers many ways for you to make a difference and give to your charity of choice or passion in Baja California Sur.

In addition to establishing a donor-advised fund at the International Community Foundation, there are various ways for individuals to support their favorite non-U.S. charity by making a contribution to the organization's "Friends of" fund at the foundation. These options include:

- 1 SEND A CHECK BY MAIL:**
Please indicate which fund you are donating to. Your check should be sent to: International Community Foundation 2505 N Avenue, National City, CA, 91950 USA.
- 2 DONATE ONLINE AT:**
www.donate.icfdn.org
- 3 SEND A WIRE TRANSFER:**
Contact Lety Martinez Hermosillo at lety@icfdn.org or 619-336-2258
- 4 DONATE STOCK OR MUTUAL FUNDS:**
Contact Lety Martinez Hermosillo at lety@icfdn.org
- 5 LEAVE A LEGACY:**
There are several ways to support a non-U.S. charity through planned giving. See next page...

Leave a Legacy in Baja California Sur

5 Reasons to consider Gift Planning

1. Reduce the tax burden on your family.
2. Receive estate tax savings.
3. Provide for your immediate family.
4. Support your chosen causes for years to come.
5. Make a real difference in the lives of others!

One Legacy. Many Choices

There are many ways to make an impact on the organizations and communities that you care about. Legacy Giving through your estate plan!

Choose Wisely

The goal is to help you plan in a way that benefits you, your family and the charity(ies) of your choice. There are many ways you can make a planned gift and enjoy tax or income benefits.

ICF Staff Can Help You Choose:

What to give:

Find out what types of assets make the best legacy gifts. Learn how gifting cash, securities, or property can help achieve your estate planning, financial, and philanthropic goals.

How to give:

We can help you structure a gift that provides both tax benefits and personal or family income while supporting your chosen cause.

Where to give:

ICF can connect you with the nonprofit organizations and community programs that match your areas of interest and will make the best use of your investment.

For more information, please visit our website at icfdn.giftlegacy.com or contact **Lety Martinez Hermosillo** at lety@icfdn.org or (619)336-2258.

Strategic Partnerships

For over 28 years, the International Community Foundation has been a hands-on partner to organizations, leaders, and donors in the communities where we work. We are continually seeking and developing strategic partnerships in order to more effectively leverage funds and bring new expertise to the issues and regions where we work. In 2018/2019, our key Strategic Partners include:

MEDIA PARTNERS:



PROGRAM PARTNERS:





CABO SAN LUCAS / SAN JOSÉ DEL CABO



Amigos de los Niños, A.C.

Los Cabos' first authorized non-governmental organization, Amigos de los Niños (ALDN), has led the way in providing quality medical care for children with no option or healthcare provider. ADLN offers life-changing medical attention for children through two programs, ADLN Free Clinics and ADLN Special Case Care.



Baja SAFE Salud de los Animales y Familias con Educación, A.C.

Founded in 2007, Baja S.A.F.E. helps stray dogs and cats in the Barrios by visiting homes and educating many Mexican families on how to care for their pets. Baja S.A.F.E. goes to the neighborhood all year round giving vaccines, medicine and food to the animals in need.



Casa Hogar Cabo San Lucas, A.C.

Casa Hogar Cabo San Lucas is a home for boys in need in Baja California Sur, Mexico. The organizations provides boys of all ages with a safe haven and is dedicated to showing them a path to success by giving them sustenance, leadership and life skills.



Gala de Danza, A.C.

Gala de Danza works in Los Cabos, Mexico to disseminate and promote the creation of the arts and to promote artistic education with the participation and collaboration of several contributors: dancers, actors, teachers, artists, staff, sponsors, and the local community. The Gala strives to promote opportunities for and to improve the quality of life of local underprivileged children and youth.

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Gente Joven por un Cambio, A.C. (GJC)

GJC is an after-school program dedicated to helping children from ages 8-18 achieve their dreams, by empowering them with a voice, life skills and the freedom to explore.



Give + Campaign / H + Fund

ICF and the H+ Hospital in Los Cabos will use Give+ Campaign funds to provide reduced rates on essential lab work and testing, pro-bono services on special-needs cases, and coordinate medical care campaigns.



Liga M.A.C.

Liga M.A.C supports low-income families in need, focusing on three fronts: education, health care, and addressing basic needs. Liga M.A.C reaches out to both adults and children in the community and includes math lessons, community service, social skills workshops, and empowerment programs for girls.



Los Cabos Humane Society

Los Cabos Humane Society offers accessible sterilizations and vaccinations at their Animal Care Center and through outreach clinics. The fully staffed Center offers: animal care, adoption, foster care, and educational programs. They promote the humane treatment of all domestic animals through community awareness and government legislation. The LCHS does not receive any government funding.



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Los Niños del Capitán, A.C.

Los Niños del Capitán A.C. is a day care center dedicated to the support of impoverished children living in Los Cabos, BCS, Mexico. Its aim is to provide care and education for the children, so they can grow up to become important members of their community.



Red Autismo, A.C.

Red Autismo provides children in the Los Cabos area with early evaluation and intervention for Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) to improve their quality of life. Through their work, they strive to support, guide, and educate families, relatives, teachers, therapists and professionals. Red Autismo is devoted to helping children that fall within the Autism Spectrum or that are facing other Developmental Disorders.



Solmar Foundation Fund

The mission of Solmar Foundation is to dignify families and individuals in need and help them achieve a better life through community programs and activities of the foundation, with a focus on women and children.



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EAST CAPE (INCLUDES CABO PULMO)

Amigos para la Conservación de Cabo Pulmo, A.C.

Amigos para la Conservación de Cabo Pulmo (ACCP) is a community-based organization focused on protecting Cabo Pulmo National Park. ACCP leads local efforts in recycling, water quality monitoring, environmental education, and local economic development projects.



Amigos para la Conservación de Cabo Pulmo, A.C.

East Cape Community Urgent Care Clinic, A.C.

The East Cape Community Urgent Care Clinic helps individuals and families to access appropriate medical care and to improve emergency response to acute and general health care needs in Los Barriles. The East Cape Community Dental Clinic provides free dental treatment and education to children under the age of 14.

East Cape Community



Urgent Care Clinic, A.C.

East Cape Guild, A.C.

The East Cape Guild has helped over 1,000 students stay in school through its scholarship program. Beyond 9th grade, the Mexican federal system requires that parents contribute financially, but many families cannot.



La Ventana Classic

This annual event provides academic support for local students to attend high school and/or university, and support for community development projects.



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TODOS SANTOS



Eco-rrrevolución A.C.

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Eco-rrrevolución was established in 2013 with the goal of creating, promoting, and implementing environmental projects in Todos Santos, particularly with a focus in waste management and aims to establish a waste treatment plant with the goal achieving 'Zero Waste' and reducing the footprint of landfills.



The Palapa Society of Todos Santos, A.C.
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The Palapa Society is dedicated to the children of Todos Santos, working to improve their quality of life and educational opportunities. The Palapa Society is based at the Palapa Center, which operates a 7-9 grade school on-site, as well as English classes, a public library, and many community events.



Todos Santos Community Fund

This ICF fund supports community-led projects to benefit the people of Todos Santos. Community members can propose projects that will benefit the broader community.



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LA PAZ

Centro Mujeres, A.C.

Centro Mujeres was founded in 1994 in response to the increasing needs and human rights violations facing women, and youth. Centro Mujeres' community action programs aim towards preventing teen pregnancy and the sexual abuse of children as well as impacting the epidemic of violence against women.



Como Vamos La Paz

Como Vamos La Paz strives to improve the quality of life for the residents of La Paz by reducing negative impacts of urban development on the environment and ensuring that the local government has the needed fiscal and administrative capacity to sustain economic growth, offer quality public services, and work in partnership with its citizens.



Fundación Ayuda Niños La Paz, A.C. (FANLAP)

FANLAP provides basic support of food and education for students from impoverished areas to give them the opportunity to complete their education and improve the quality of their lives.



Grupo Tortuguero de las Californias, A.C.

GTC is a network for the conservation of sea turtles, comprised of fishermen, students, teachers, housewives, scientists, civil society organizations and government institutions.



La Paz Community Fund

This ICF fund supports community-led projects to benefit the people of La Paz. Community members can propose projects that will benefit the broader community.



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NonProfits
by Geographic
Area

LA PAZ

Noroeste Sustentable (NOS)



NOS contributes to the development of El Manglito, a La Paz neighborhood of fishing families working on recycling, shellfish aquaculture, family financial inclusion, and community empowerment.

Pelagios Kakunjá



Pelagios-Kakunjá studies migratory marine species in the Mexican Pacific. It aims to generate baseline information for the regional management (CONANP and INAPESCA) and implementation of conservation strategies for sharks and other migratory marine species.

Raíz de Fondo Jardines y Educación, A.C.



Raíz de Fondo offers educational opportunities to children and adults to enhance local quality of life through organic gardening, nutritional advocacy, promotion of a sustainable culture and community resilience. Three community gardens in La Paz, Baja California Sur, serve as platforms for advancing this mission.

Red de Observadores Ciudadanos



ROC provides a mechanism for individuals and society to actively participate in and collaborate with the government, in order to ensure the proper use of public and environmental resources. ROC tests the water at 12 La Paz beaches and works to prevent illegal fishing at Isla Espiritu Santo.

Sociedad de Historia Natural Niparajá, A.C.



Niparajá's mission is to conserve the natural environment that is unique to Baja California Sur, seeking dialogue and consensus within society, disseminating the legal and scientific basis of its actions, with the goal of benefiting local communities for present and future generations. Niparajá has three ambitious conservation programs: land, marine and water.

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LORETO

Eco-Alianza de Loreto, A.C.



Eco-Alianza de Loreto is protecting the Loreto Bay National Park through education and outreach, collaborations with local fishermen, enforcement/surveillance on the water, testing of local water quality, partnership with local officials, and recycling.

Outpost Montessori



Outpost Montessori provides a bilingual education through the Montessori philosophy for the youth of Loreto to enable them to grow and establish mindfulness, a joy of learning and guidance to a purposeful life.

LAGUNA SAN IGNACIO

Baja Stewardship Fund



Large-scale land conservation is achieved through careful management, scientific monitoring, good neighbor relations, and an on-site presence. Today, lands under management total over 600,000 acres in Laguna San Ignacio and Bahía de los Angeles alone, requiring significant oversight and monitoring.

San Ignacio Whale Conservation Fund



Every year, hundreds of California gray whales travel over 10,000 miles, from the summer feeding grounds in Alaska to the winter breeding and calving destination of Laguna San Ignacio, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. An alliance of organizations works together on: enforcement/patrolling, ecological monitoring, addressing threats, and carrying out outreach and education for the local community.

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SEA OF CORTEZ / GULF OF CALIFORNIA



Baja California Disaster Relief Fund

The Baja California Disaster Relief Fund responds to community-based needs arising from disasters that impact areas throughout the Baja California peninsula. In 2014 this fund supported relief and rebuilding efforts following Hurricane Odile and responded to Tropical Storm Lidia in 2017.



Baja California Sur Alternative Economic Futures Fund

This fund works to protect the Sierra de la Laguna Biosphere Reserve from toxic mining and safeguard the regional economy. The Sierra de la Laguna provides the majority of the water consumed in the southern part of the state, yet this unique place and the surrounding region are threatened by several open-pit gold mining projects. Open-pit gold mining has devastating consequences on both land and aquatic ecosystems, as well as on the regional economy, which is based on tourism and a diversified service economy.



Baja Regional Waterkeeper Fund

WATERKEEPERS Baja California is a regional collaborative working throughout the Baja California peninsula to fight for clean water and healthy communities. Collectively, the program monitors over 75 sites along the coastline of the Baja California Peninsula for enterococci bacteria, a recognized indicator of human sewage contamination and public health risk.



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Comunidad y Biodiversidad, A.C. (COBI)

COBI merges its scientific focus with a commitment to local community livelihoods. Working with fishing cooperatives throughout the Baja California Peninsula, COBI has demonstrated that fishermen can manage their own catch in a sustainable way. COBI's Mexico City office promotes policy and legislative reform that supports responsible fishing and helps fishermen improve their practices.



Defensa Ambiental del Noroeste, A.C. (DAN)

DAN is an environmental, legal nonprofit that works closely with community-based groups throughout the Baja California peninsula and the Sea of Cortez region to train them on relevant Mexican laws and then works with those groups to ensure that those laws are followed. This support includes the legal analysis of cases involving threats to the environment and the conservation of ecosystems.



The Friends of Wild Baja Fund

The Friends of Wild Baja Fund conserves and protects the critical habitats and biodiversity of southern Baja California Sur, including Laguna San Ignacio, Magdalena Bay, and the wilderness areas between La Paz and Loreto.



Pronatura Noroeste, A.C.

Pronatura Noroeste is a regional office for the longest-standing conservation organization in Mexico. Their award-winning work on marine protected areas, fisheries reform, private land conservation and scientific research on endangered species is responsible for creating most of the protected areas along the Baja California Peninsula.



Donors In Their Own Words



“ We are so fortunate to be able to be in the business of philanthropy, of being able to contribute in this way to the important work being done to protect and preserve some of the most amazing landscapes on earth. We believe in developing long-term relationships with our grantees that allow us to build trust in their abilities and instincts. ”

The expertise of the ICF Team is an incredible asset and helps us immensely in our grant-making in Mexico. They provide extensive knowledge of environmental conservation and the related landscape in Mexico and apply that knowledge to provide trusted advice. ICF focuses on a very special part of the world. This commitment to Baja California and Mexico allows them to focus on building strong communities and healthy natural spaces. ”

Sara Lowell

Marine Program Director / Marisla Foundation



“ The Eudist Home for Girls Endowment Fund is pleased and honored to have been the inaugural fund at ICF. Because of the careful management of the investments by the International Community Foundation staff and the generosity of our many donors, I am pleased that our fund had grown substantially over the years and can now provide significant support and stability for our beneficiaries and the girls and young women they care for at Eudist Homes across Mexico. ”

Deacon Joe Santen

“ Working with ICF has been very enriching as they share our idea of working with local organizations and supporting community work. ICF does an incredible job of supporting and monitoring the organizations that are part of its network, and collaborating with this Foundation is an opportunity for growth. ”

María Villalpando

Mexico Partnerships / GlobalGiving



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