

John L. Mulvaney

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OUR MISSION

We work through churches, charitable organizations and other appropriate vehicles to provide financial resources to individuals and families facing life altering circumstances, economic hardship, or poverty.

Our goal is to share the joy of giving and relieve suffering with kindness, compassion and respect. We partner with organizations to:

- provide financial assistance, education, and the life skills necessary to help individuals and families transition to a state of self-sufficiency.
- provide advice and counsel to help organizations move to a higher level of effectiveness.

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John Mulvaney founded the Quality Seal Window Company which he owned and operated until his retirement in 1974. His sons recall drivers arriving with shipments early in the morning after being on the road all night. Many mornings, it was not unusual to find Ellen Mulvaney serving the drivers breakfast at the kitchen table. John & Ellen opened their home to these men, and through their actions, set a silent but powerful example to their boys about how to treat people with kindness, compassion and respect. Today, these are non-negotiable and defining criteria the John L. Mulvaney Foundation uses to select the organizations we support.

The JLMF has a strong track record of helping our grantee organizations achieve a higher level of effectiveness. Yet, as we look back on 2011 we'd like to acknowledge what **we** gain through these relationships. We set an expectation that the work of our grantee organizations represents the kindness, compassion and respect from which our operating philosophy is built. More times than not, our grantees exceed our expectations, touch our hearts, challenge our thinking, and give us life experiences and perspective for which we are grateful.

Please read on for some highlights to acknowledge a year of progress and service at Benzie Area Christian Neighbors (BACN) in Benzie, MI; Bridge of Hope in Exton, PA; Family Promise of York County in Rock Hill, SC; Mother Teresa House in Lansing, MI; SOS in Orange County, CA; and Juma Ventures in San Francisco, CA.

Sincerely, Brian & Kay Mulvaney Maureen Van Glabbeek





Benzie Area Christian Neighbors



Our partnership with BACN throughout the last four years is a remarkable story, and one that we will be sharing with you very soon. This organization increased its operating budget from \$35,000 to \$360,000 in just four years time and works tirelessly to keep pace with the need in Benzie County.

In 2011, the JLMF continued its support of BACN in a couple of ways. We collaborated to develop and write content for its web site which was rolled out in May (www.benziebacn.org). Additionally, the JLFM participated in a matching campaign for BACN's annual summer fundraiser. Called the summer "match"

campaign, the JLMF matched dollar for dollar up to a maximum of \$25,000. The board of directors showed their commitment by agreeing to match a maximum of \$5,000 for a total potential \$30,000 match. BACN raised \$84,533 (including the match), by far its most successful fundraiser to date.

As summer drew to a close, Kay Bond, BACN's first Executive Director, announced her retirement. Her passion for BACN is evident in the tremendous growth she made possible during the last four years. A new building, strong partnerships within the community, fund development, new educational programming, and a large base of dedicated volunteers are just a few of her accomplishments. Her mantra, "Everyone has gifts to give and needs to be met," is now engrained in BACN's culture. We are so grateful for the time we worked with Kay and wish her the very best in retirement. We also congratulate Kay's successor as Executive Director, Gerri Van Antwerp. She is making a seamless transition into the role, as she has spent many years in the BACN family, most recently as its service coordinator. We look forward to another year of partnership in caring for the neighbors of Benzie County.

Bridge of Hope

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We affectionately refer to Bridge of Hope as our "oldest" grantee, as our work with them began nearly a decade ago! At that time, they were just expanding into a national organization, yet now work across 15 locations in 7

different states. In our portfolio of grantees, Bridge of Hope is a shining example of an organization addressing family homelessness in a way that honors the unique needs of the communities and individuals they assist. With the help of the JLMF's investment in the OneChurch and Program Site options, they have successfully broadened their mentoring model to work with existing faith-based nonprofits. In 2011, they proactively attended 4 national conferences that opened up new partnership possibilities with nonprofits seeking a church-based mentoring program to implement. Bridge of Hope also added 3 new locations in Charlotte, NC; Knoxville, TN, and Philadelphia, PA. With regard to technology, they launched an eLearning Training Site for social workers in the Bridge of Hope network. As they look ahead, Bridge of Hope is working towards its goal of 25 locations by 2013 - to end homelessness for more women and children.





Mother Teresa House

After losing her husband to Lou Gherig's disease, Ellen Mulvaney sought out the Mother Teresa House and volunteered her time there. Looking back on this, it always affectionately reminds us of her selfless and giving nature, as she cared for terminally ill guests at a time when her own loss was still so new. When you walk through



the doors of the Mother Teresa House, it immediately engenders feelings of warmth and compassion. The terminally ill guests and their families have this consistency and peace during a very difficult time. In March, the JLMF participated in the second annual Path of Peace breakfast by offering a \$25,000 matching grant in honor of Ellen as well as PR assistance for the event. With 110 attending, they raised \$32,464. Of that, approximately \$25,000 was new gifts and pledges! Impressive and a testament to their diligent effort with fundraising. Mother Teresa House worked constantly through 2011 and cared for 30 guests in that time. They also worked on infrastructure to catch up

with growth via a new database donor and volunteer management system, the launch of a new website design (<u>www.motherteresahouse.org</u>). Perhaps most flattering is the host of visitors who have traveled from other communities and in some cases out of state, to learn about the Mother Teresa House model for the possibility of starting homes in their own cities. This speaks to the quality of their model and its implementation.

Family Promise of York County

The JLMF supported Family Promise of York county in its second annual fundraising luncheon event in 2011 with a \$20,000 matching grant. The JLMF interviewed several former guests and a long time volunteer of the program to help capture some of the experiences and stories that make Family Promise the terrific organization it is. This information was compiled to create new web content as well as an appeal letter and PR material. The combined effort had fantastic



results. Between the luncheon and appeal letter, Family Promise of York County met the match, raising \$21,481 for a grand total of \$41,481. This is their most successful fundraising effort to date! Truly progress worth celebrating.

In order to help Family Promise move to a higher level of effectiveness and grow its base of donors, the JLMF also sponsored the purchase of a donor management system.

We admire the dedicated focus Family Promise has to the families it serves. The JLMF has been fortunate enough to meet and spend time with some of the families over the last year. Since Family Promise is only able to serve a few families at a time, there is something very personal about their approach that we feel differentiates them. They are making a lasting impact on the families they serve. This year was definitely a positive turning point in terms of fundraising, and we hope they will keep the momentum going through 2012!



Share Our Selves

The JLMF's support of Share Our Selves dates back to 2005. We wanted to share the following from SOS's website, as it is a wonderful summary of the what they have accomplished in Orange County this year in their mission to provide assistance to the most vulnerable populations living in their community.

- 1,519 bags of food were distributed the three days before Thanksgiving. It took 168 volunteers 504 hours to fill and distribute the bags stuffed with turkeys, chickens, produce and other holiday food items.
- 2,513 backpacks filled with school supplies for students from low income families
- 56,957 bags of food to clients in need of food assistance
- 1,545 families with 5,260 children with gifts and food for the holidays
- 14,065 Financial Aid Visits to keep families in their homes & utilities turned on
- 10,961 patient visits in the SOS Medical Clinic
- 6,768 patient visits in the SOS Dental Clinic

Juma Ventures

Over the last few years the JLMF's support of Juma evolved to focus specifically on the Mulvaney Scholarship Program. In 2011, this funding helped 39 low-income young people attend college. Each was awarded between \$350 and \$5,000 based on individual financial need. (To view a video profile of one of the Mulvaney Scholars, Edgar, visit the Mulvaney Foundation's Facebook page.)

Juma's track record with its students remains impressive. In 2011, 100% of its seniors graduated from high school, defying the trends in their school districts. Of these, 98% are enrolled in college, 80% in four year colleges or universities. Juma continues to operate the leading youth Individual Development Account (IDA) program in the United States. Additionally, their ballpark social enterprises employed a total of 237 young people with Juma youth earning \$286,006 in 2010.

Profiles of Two Mulvaney Scholars:

Andrew Ruan is a first year student at City College of San Francisco. As a high school student, Andrew struggled to stay focused on school and wasn't very optimistic about his post-secondary options. Through his engagement with the Juma College Program, Andrew has a new outlook on school. Recently Andrew said, "Juma really motivated me to figure out what I want to do and got me on track."





With his new found motivation, Andrew has decided to pursue a degree in film and media. He credits his Mulvaney scholarship with being able to secure textbooks and other materials.

Maria Ramos grew up in Oakland, California and attends Sacramento State University. As a high school student, Maria rarely found peers that shared her interests. Her first semester in college has been a totally different experience. "I really enjoyed being independent and meeting other students that shared my love for physics and astronomy." Maria is pretty sure she would not be where she is today without the support of her Juma advisors. She credits Juma with supporting her through the college application and FAFSA process. Maria has used her Mulvaney scholarship money to supplement her financial aid and buy the expensive science textbooks for her classes. Maria successfully passed all of her classes last semester and is looking forward to going back.