



Ask a golf fan who won the 2013 Waste Management Phoenix Open and most can tell you it was Phil Mickelson. Pose a question about the most famous golf hole at TPC Scottsdale and many will say the 16th. And, if you query a tournament guest on the best place to get your groove-on after golf ends, the Birds Nest will undoubtedly top the list. Fact is, even the most casual golf fans know the Waste Management Phoenix Open is the biggest, best and most unique tournament on the PGA TOUR. On the other hand, many Valley residents have no idea about the far reaching effects the golf tournament has on Arizona. Here are six "Did You Knows," we bet you didn't:

DID YOU KNOW?

DID YOU KNOW that each year the Waste Management Phoenix Open pumps more than \$222 million into the local economy?

DID YOU KNOW the 2012 and 2013 Waste Management Phoenix Opens combined raised nearly \$12 million for local charities?

DID YOU KNOW not a single ounce of waste from the 2013 Waste Management Phoenix Open went to a landfill? That's right, 100 percent of the tournaments trash was recycled.

DID YOU KNOW 55 Active and 270 Life Thunderbirds volunteer their time to plan, coordinate and host the Waste Management Phoenix Open with over 4,000 community volunteers?

DID YOU KNOW this is our 79th Open making us the 5th oldest event on the PGA TOUR?

DID YOU KNOW that over the last 12 months, more 565 local charities and youth groups received a donation from the Thunderbirds and the Waste Management Phoenix Open?



MIRACLE LEAGUE OF ARIZONA

With the generous support of Thunderbirds Charities we proudly opened the Miracle League of Arizona (MLAZ) baseball stadium in Northeast Scottsdale. The Thunderbirds were one of the original founders of MLAZ, and continue to be instrumental in positioning us to provide services and opportunities to the special needs population of Maricopa County.

Recently, through a \$ 60,000 grant from the Thunderbirds, we will be opening the very first Miracle League batting cages designed for children with special needs. The anticipation is at an all time high and we are all looking forward to "opening day at the Thunderbirds Batting Cages for MLAZ."

The goal of Miracle League is to instill a sense of self-esteem, encourage the development of friendships, and enable parents to share in the joy of witnessing their children actively involved in an organized sport that many never thought possible. Prior to MLAZ the vast majority of our children could only close their eyes and think about playing organized baseball, but with the support of the Thunderbirds, and the addition of batting cages these dreams continue to come true.

\$60,000

FOR THE MIRACLE LEAGUE
OF ARIZONA STADIUM
BATTING CAGES IN
NORTHEAST SCOTTSDALE



ARIZONANS FOR CHILDREN

In October 2002, a small group of concerned volunteers established our organization. Our programs benefit the most vulnerable and disadvantaged group of children in our society - children who have been abused or neglected and removed from their homes by Child Protective Services.

Arizonans for Children provides the resources to ensure foster children have educational, tutorial and skill-development opportunities as well as special care items and other specialized services critical to their individual needs, overall development and general well-being. We also operate three Children's Visitation Centers where children in foster care can visit with their biological relatives. Since the opening of the first Children's Visitation Center in January 2003, we have served over 388,000 individuals. In 2013 alone, we expect to serve over 80,000 people.

Thunderbirds Charities has been there for us every step of the way.

Recently, Thunderbirds Charities gave \$50,000 to build a basketball court, fence, shade tarp and playhouse to complete the playground at the Phoenix Visitation Center. Thunderbirds Charities have been transformational in our development.



ELEVATING URBAN STUDENTS TO PRESENT FUTURES!

SUCCESS RATE

90%

EDUCATING URBAN
PHOENIX'S FUTURE COLLEGE
ENTRIES AND WORKFORCE

THE FUTURE IS NOW FOR 4,500 STUDENTS IN ACCREDITED CLASSROOMS AND PROGRAMS THROUGH ELEVATE PHOENIX.

Assisting children and families, meeting needs and improving the quality of life in urban communities is a priority with Elevate. Relational education and mentoring occurs 24/7 and year around. Elevate Teacher Mentors and trained high school students partner with public education empowering first generation futures for K-12 students becoming urban Phoenix's future graduates, college entries and workforce with a 90% plus success rate.

Picture a daughter influencing mom to graduate entering college too, mentors building elementary students character and reading skills with 7,500 reading hours logged and college entries representing a 100% retention rate in 2013. That's Elevate Phoenix! With the help of Thunderbirds Charities we are able to reach many more students.





GRAND VETERANS VILLAGE

THUNDERBIRDS CHARITIES DONATE \$100,000 TO US VETS FOR THE RENOVATION OF GRAND VETERANS VILLAGE

Earlier this year, major renovations were underway to convert a 131 unit hotel into affordable studio and one bedroom apartments for veterans. Grand Veterans Village started as a concept to provide an enriched housing environment for veterans, and enhance permanent housing stability which in turn reduces veteran homelessness. While veterans were finding work in a difficult economy, the baggage of bad credit, foreclosure, and evictions also precluded many from being able to rent an apartment even though they could afford it. At Grand Veterans Village we don't look at past credit problems, we look forward to repairing credit and achieving housing permanency. Much was done to create the apartments our many veterans now call home; the apartments were upgraded with kitchenettes, new flooring, new furniture and every room was outfitted with Tempurpedic mattresses. New electrical wiring was installed, as well as wireless internet so that all residents can access the internet in the comfort of their own apartment. Major upgrades to the main lobby included adding eight new computer work stations, re-flooring and painting, adding cardio equipment, audio visual equipment and a pool table and ping pong table. This area now serves as a meeting point for veterans to relax, converse, and watch television. Currently there are over 100 veterans staying at Grand Veterans Village, with the demand for units exceeding availability as we continue to add the finishing touches to the remaining 20 rooms.



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF METRO PHOENIX

\$90,000

TO REPLACE THE
GYM FLOOR AT THE
TRI-CITY WEST / THORNWOOD
LOCATION

The gymnasium at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Phoenix Tri-City West / Thornwood Branch is so much more than a basketball court. For a generation of mostly low-income children, it's been a theater for talent shows, a place to plan their next community service project, motivation to do their homework first, and a safe place to play with hundreds of their friends.

Thanks to a \$90,000 gift from Thunderbirds Charities, the kids at Tri-City West / Thornwood have a new gym floor!

Recently, several Thunderbirds faced off against members of the Boys & Girls Clubs in a fun pick-up game on the new floors. There was no need to keep score — all the kids were already winners.



LINCOLN FAMILY DOWNTOWN YMCA

Thanks to a another successful Waste Management Phoenix Open, Thunderbirds Charities was able to award the Lincoln Family Downtown YMCA a \$100,000 donation, which was used to replace their original gymnasium floor. The Lincoln Family Downtown YMCA opened in January of 1952 and the floor – the oldest gym floor in the state of AZ – was the crown jewel in Phoenix. Fast forward 60 years and the floor was in dire need of replacement. Once the floor was complete, 10 Thunderbirds as well as 10 members of the YMCA christened the new floor with a friendly pick-up game of basketball. It was a lot of fun and thanks to everyone that participated.

CITIVAN VILLAGE UNVEILED

Civitan Foundation's new facility "Civitan Village" recently unveiled new programming that includes media, arts, culinary, sports, health, education and technology programs. With the support of Thunderbirds Charities, Civitan remains unmatched by other agencies, as we continue our mission to ensure real life experiences are possible every day for those with disabilities. Civitan combines media, the arts and adaptive technology (MAT) to emulate employment and production in accordance with trade standards in multi-media production, which is one of the fastest and most sought after industries at this time. MAT will ensure clients develop the skills to secure and maintain employment in an environment that mimics a real-world working studio as well as an outlet for advocacy, announcements and outreach.

2012/2013 CHARITABLE DONATIONS THUNDERBIRDS CHARITIES

About Care Inc Volunteer Mangement Program	\$10,000	Central Arizona Shelter Services Inc Vista Colina Emergency Family Shelter	\$10,000	Mission Of Mercy Inc Community Connections Initiative	\$25,000
ACCEL Wired for Life Interative Technology Integration Project	\$10,000	Childhelp Inc Children's Center of AZ Child Advocate Program	\$5,000	National Council On Alcoholism Sustain Work Adjustment Programs/ Weldon House	\$20,000
All Sports Foundation Prostate On-Site Project Mobile Prostate Screenings	\$7,800	Childsplay Inc Creative is Competitive	\$45,000	notMYkid ClearChoices Comprehensive Program	\$50,000
Alzheimer's Assoc. Desert Southwest Chapter Assisting & Caring for Elders Program (A.C.E.)	\$5,000	Christ Child Society Of Phoenix Christ Child Society of Phoenix Layette Project	\$10,000	Parents Of Murdered Children Grief Retreats and Holiday Memorial Service	\$5,000
American Academy of Pediatrics Medical Services Project	\$10,000	Civitan Foundation Inc Media, the Arts & Technology Center	\$60,000	Paz De Cristo Community Center Food Box Prgram	\$14,000
American Cancer Society, Great West Division Arizona Camp Sunrise Transportation Grant	\$15,000	Crisis Nursery Inc Preschool Classroom for low income, young children	\$10,000	Phoenix Conservatory Of Music Community Music Recreation Center	\$23,000
Area Agency On Aging Region One Incorporated DOVES Supporting victims of late-life domestic violence and elder abuse	\$5,000	Desert Mission Inc Children's Dental Clinic	\$20,000	Phoenix Day Project Success	\$10,000
Arizona Bridge To Independent Living Spofit Fitness Program	\$25,000	Desert Sounds Performing Arts Inc The Jeremy Project	\$5,000	Ronald McDonald House Charities of Phoenix New Ronald McDonald House at Cardon Children's Medical Center	\$100,000
Arizona Burn Foundation Forever Courage House - Family Support Services	\$10,000	Duet: Partners in Health & Aging Grandparents Raising Grandchildren	\$5,000	Rosie's House A Music Academy Afterschool Music Program for Underserved Youth	\$5,000
Arizona Friends Of Foster Children Foundation Supporting Young Athletes in Foster Care	\$10,000	Educare Arizona Extended Learning Time	\$10,000	SARRC Autism Community Works	\$50,000
Arizona Literacy And Learning Center Inc Screening, Assessment & Academic Intervention for Children with Learning Disabilities	\$15,000	Elevate Phoenix Discover Your Future: Education, Mentoring and Relationships Program	\$50,000	Save The Family Foundation Of Arizona Domestic Violence Project	\$15,000
Arizona Museum For Youth Friends Inc No Barriers to Learning - School Tours program	\$5,000	Family Promise-Greater Phoenix Whole and Healthy Families Emergency Shelter Program	\$25,000	The Society of St Vincent De Paul Feeding the Poor-Congregate Dining Room Program	\$25,000
Arizonans For Children Inc Phoenix Visitation Center Playground Project	\$50,000	Free Arts For Abused Children Of Arizona Weekly Mentor Program	\$5,000	Southwest Human Development The Children's Developmental Center	\$50,000
Back-To-School Clothing Drive Association New Clothes - Clothing Distribution Event	\$10,000	The Gift Of Life Arizona Inc Gift of Life - Arizona	\$36,000	Special Olympics of Arizona Annual State Competition and Equipment Sponsorship	\$232,000
Be A Leader Foundation BALF PIPELINE of College Going Programs and 'Taking Steps Towards College Success' Event	\$50,000	Homeward Bound Children's Services	\$100,000	St. Joseph the Worker Community Outreach and Expansion	\$15,000
Benevilla Home Delivered Meals Program	\$25,000	Hope & A Future Inc Life skills mentoring for teenage foster children	\$10,000	Starlight Children's Foundation Starlight Childrens Treatment Room at Thunderbird Banner Childrens Center	\$100,000
Best Buddies Arizona Best Buddies Maricopa County Friendship & Leadership Program	\$50,000	Jewish Family & Children's Service Shelter Without Walls	\$5,000	Summer Youth Program Fund Summer Youth Program Fund	\$25,000
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Arizona Super Sisters	\$7,500	Kitchen On The Street Inc Bags of Hope	\$5,000	Teach For America Inc Teach for America - Phoenix Induction and Thunderbirds Cohort	\$50,000
Booker T. Washington Child Development Center Full Day Wrap-Around Program	\$5,000	Leukemia Foundation of Arizona Sibling Care Project	\$10,000	Teen Lifeline Inc Crisis Hotline	\$5,000
Boys & Girls Clubs of the East Valley Academic Success (Power Hour & Kid's College)	\$50,000	Maggies Place Inc Alumnae Outreach Program Support	\$15,000	Valley Of The Sun United Way Project Connect	\$5,000
Camp Soaring Eagle Foundation Four Camper Weekends Serving Children with Cancer, Diabetes and Respiratory Illnesses	\$12,500	Make-A-Wish Foundation® of Arizona AZ Wishes	\$15,000	Valley Youth Theatre Literacy and the Arts	\$5,000
Catholic Charities Community Services Thunderbird Playground at the Villas	\$25,000	Maricopa Health Foundation Chandler Family Learning Center	\$82,000	Veterans Heritage Project Veterans Heritage Project	\$2,500
The Centers For Habilitation Brue Ribon Bistro and Java Junction	\$30,000	Melonhead Foundation Inc Melonhead Patient-Assistance Program	\$7,500	Waste Not Inc Food Rescue & Delivery Program	\$20,000
		Miracle League Of Arizona Thunderbirds Batting Cages for Kids	\$60,000		