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EEF GRANTS TO TEACHERS TUSD STUDENTS REAP THE BENEFITS

The Educational Enrichment Foundation (EEF) announces its 39th Mini Grant round – a program that provides start-up or initial funding for innovative projects originating in classrooms and schools, offered to teachers, librarians and administrators in the Tucson Unified School District. More than \$31,000 in grants ranging from \$500 to \$2500 was awarded to educators and/or educator teams for programs to be implemented in the 2004-05 academic year. Mini Grants promote creative classroom projects expanding the boundaries of teaching and learning. Describing the ongoing significance of the **Mini Grant Partners Program**, a mentor specialist at Pueblo Gardens Elementary School said of EEF, *“They have inspired countless educators to keep dreaming.”*

Awards were made to elementary, middle and high school staff in the following categories:

- TFCU Diversity Grants,
- Ray Davies Humanitarian Grant
- Jacob Eisner Creativity Grants for K-6
- Stocker Foundation Grants for Literacy and Fine Arts
- EEF Library Power Endowment Grants
- Research Corporation “Science” Grants
- General Mini Grants

Our many generous donors make this year’s Mini Grant program possible. We wish to thank all who contributed; some of these are:

Tucson Federal Credit Union, Jacob Eisner Memorial Fund, The Stocker Foundation Fund, Research Corporation, Gannett Foundation, Joan Brown Diamond Charitable Lead Trust, Wings Like Eagles Foundation, Donald Pitt Family Foundation, Kay and Lee Scott Memorial Fund, the Marjorie I. Wandrey Fund, Library Power Fund and the EEF General Fund.

The Educational Enrichment Foundation takes great pride in its continuing programs providing support for our TUSD family. Gifted and talented teachers can do amazing things with a small sum of money. For more information about this program or about EEF in general, please call Sally Trattner, EEF Executive Director at 325-8688.

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