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**Cal Coast Cares Foundation Announces Grants for Local Educators**

**SAN DIEGO – May 1, 2017** – The Cal Coast Cares Foundation has launched a new educator grant program to help fund projects for local teachers in San Diego and Riverside Counties.

The Cal Coast Cares Foundation will award \$10,000 in grants to teachers in 2017, with each grant ranging from \$500 to \$2,000.

The Foundation was established by California Coast Credit Union in 2015 as a separate 501(c)(3) non-profit organization to give back to the community by providing scholarships to local students and grants to educators.

“California Coast Credit Union was started in 1929 by a group of local teachers and their core value of ‘people helping people’ continues today as the very foundation of everything we do, and that includes helping local students and educators,” said California Coast Credit Union President & CEO Todd Lane. “With the support of our local community – both Cal Coast members and the general public – the Cal Coast Cares Foundation is proud to provide these grants to improve classroom education and to enhance the classroom experience for both teachers and students.”

You can donate to the Cal Coast Cares Foundation and access educator grant applications at:  
<https://www.calcoastcu.org/cal-coast-cares-foundation.htm>.

Educator grant applications must be received or postmarked no later than May 31, 2017.

The Cal Coast Cares Foundation also awards over \$50,000 annually in scholarships to local students.

**About California Coast Credit Union**

Established by San Diego teachers in 1929, California Coast Credit Union is the longest-serving financial institution based in San Diego and holds true to its founders' guiding principle of "people helping people." With over \$2 billion in assets, the credit union now proudly serves more than 150,000 members through its local network of over 20 branches and 60 shared branch locations, online and mobile banking, and 30,000 fee-free ATMs nationwide. California Coast is not-for-profit, provides no-cost financial education for adults and youth, and is committed to improving the lives of its members and others in the community. Anyone who lives or works in San Diego or Riverside counties can be a member. For more information, visit [calcoastcu.org](http://calcoastcu.org) or call (877) 495-1600.

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