

# MSC Foundation Awards Grants To Nonprofits



The MSC Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Michael Saunders & Company, awarded \$34,250 in grants July 17, to 33 area nonprofits. COURTESY PHOTO

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The MSC Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Michael Saunders & Company, awarded its 2014 mid-year charitable grants on July 17.

Formally presented at the firm's Lakewood Ranch office, grants totaling \$34,250 were accepted by leaders of 33 not-for-profit organizations whose charitable activities operate mainly at the grass-roots level in Sarasota, Manatee and Charlotte counties.

Drayton Saunders, the firm's president and foundation vice president, presided over the grants presentation.

Grant recipients in this latest cycle of charitable outreach by the MSC Foundation's include ALSO Youth Inc., Big Brothers & Big Sisters of the Sun Coast, Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County, Community Haven, Crossroads AMI Kids, Englewood Incubation Center Inc., Englewood Helping Hand Inc., Englewood Meals on Wheels Inc., Family Partnership Center, Family Promise of Sarasota Inc., Feeding Empty Little Tummies (FELT), The Florida Center for Early Childhood, Florida Studio Theatre, Foundation for Dreams Inc., Girls Incorporated of Sarasota County, Habitat for Humanity Sarasota Inc., HOPE Family Services Inc., The Island School Inc., Jewish Family & Children's Services of the Sun Coast Inc., Just for Girls Academy, Manatee County Habitat for Humanity, Miracle League Manasota, Mothers Helping Mothers Inc., More Too Life, Safe Place & Rape Crisis Center Inc., Selah Freedom Inc., Sertoma Club of Bradenton, Southeastern Guide Dogs, Teen Court of Sarasota, Inc., Turning Points Community Coalition on Homelessness, Venice Nokomis United Methodist Child Care Center, Women's Sertoma Club of Venice Inc. and Yummy Stuff Club Inc.

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