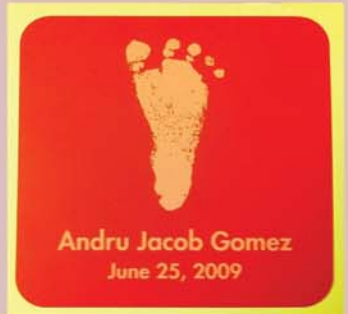




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The Sister Phyllis Hughes Grants are Awarded!

The Sister Phyllis Hughes Endowment for Special Needs was created to provide funds to Kern County not for profit agencies that administer programs that meet identified community needs. This endowment is named in honor of Sister Phyllis Hughes, who served as President of Mercy Hospital from 1982–1987, and because of her commitment to those less fortunate. Grants of up to \$5,000 each are made on an annual basis to qualifying 501c3 agencies.

An important aspect of this program is that hospital staff, volunteers, physicians and board members can sponsor an agency if they are actively involved with the organization. If you want to help an agency you volunteer for receive funding, call Jennifer Nightengale at 663-6700. On December 21, the Friends of Mercy Foundation Board of Directors approved a total of \$20,000 from the endowment to the following agencies:

1. Bakersfield Association for Retarded Citizens (BARC): CPR Training for the Developmentally Disabled. Sponsor: Ray Karpe. Award: \$2,700.
2. Community Action Partnership of Kern Food Bank: Senior Brown Bag Program. Sponsor: Shannon Rhodes. Award: \$5,000.
3. Kern Comprehensive Cancer Awareness Partnership (KCCAP): Ray of Hope: Cancer Education and Prevention Program. Sponsor: Cheryl Guillemet. Award: \$3,500.
4. Special Olympics: Sports and Fitness for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities. Sponsor: Russell Judd. Award: \$5,000.
5. St. John's Missionary Baptist Church: Health and Fitness Ministry. Sponsor: Renee Thomas. Award: \$3,800.

IN THE NEWS

Berry Petroleum

**Donates \$20,000 for a new
ultrasound unit for the
Family Birth Center at
Mercy Southwest Hospital.**

The Healing Garden being constructed adjacent to the Florence R. Wheeler Cancer Center at Mercy Truxtun will be the only hospital healing garden in Kern County and has been made possible through a gift to the Friends of Mercy Foundation. Diane Lake made a substantial gift to the Wheeler Cancer Center and designated it to be used for a Healing Garden that would honor the memory of her daughter, Catherine Lake. Dan Monji, owner of Monji Enterprises designed and is constructing the garden.

THE HISTORY WALL AT MERCY SOUTHWEST IS COMPLETE!



**TO THE LEFT: THE
1910 PANEL.**

**TO THE RIGHT: WANDA
AND EDWARD VENEGAS
AT THE UNVEILING.**



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Thank you to all that participated in The Spirit of Giving Campaign. Together 237 Mercy employees raised over \$65,000 and 19% of Mercy employees participated!

Projects Funded:

Med/Surg Remodel at Mercy Southwest - \$14,300

Hospital Beds - \$22,200

Outreach to the Poor - \$29,500

To be used for:

1. Afterschool programs at the CHW Learning Center
2. Food and Clothing for those with special needs
3. Hygiene Packets for Homeless Men and Women
4. Supplies for Health Screenings and Education Classes/Seminars

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Guests: Martin Caratan, Maureen & Kevin Andrew, Stephanie & Doug Weber, and Loraine Caratan

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know is to resolve to be
good today, but better
tomorrow"*

- Catherine McAuley