

Additional Information about the Claire Giannini Fund Gift and Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Why are there no/so few California teacher projects on DonorsChoose.org?

A. Thanks to the generosity of The Claire Giannini Fund, all California projects at DonorsChoose.org were fully funded on Monday August 30th. With a gift of approximately \$1.3 million, we have ensured that teachers and students can take full advantage of these materials at the start of the 2010-2011 school year.

Q. When will more projects in California be available?

A. Within the next 24 hours we anticipate 50-100 additional California projects to be screened by our team and to be live on our site and eligible for funding. Within the next few weeks, we anticipate our project inventory will have returned to over 1,000 California projects.

Q. Will this statewide funding happen again?

A. The gift and generosity of the Claire Giannini Fund for all California projects was unexpected and we're incredibly grateful for this chance to help so many teachers and students at the start of the school year. Because of the unusual nature and size of the gift, we don't anticipate more events of this size. However, our team continues to work hard to generate funding and we look forward to providing millions more in project funding to classrooms across the country.

Q. What is the Claire Giannini Fund?

A. The Claire Giannini Fund was created by Claire Giannini Hoffman before her passing in 1997 in honor of the unwavering principles of her father, Amadeo Peter (or "A.P.") Giannini, the founder of Bank of America. Her foundation has regularly contributed to causes that place the needs of ordinary people above private ambition, prioritizing the welfare of children, and the importance of education for all. In 2007, the foundation gave Arthur Ashe Youth Tennis and Education, a public educational enrichment program for at-risk populations in Philadelphia, an unexpected \$10,000 grant. The foundation has also bequeathed additional gifts to LearningLanguages.net, a portal that brings together online foreign language resources for English-speaking K-12 students and teachers; the Youth Science Institute, a nature-based science education nonprofit; and many other academic institutions and organizations.

Q. I am a CA teacher. Should I submit a new project?

A. If you are a teacher in California, you should [submit a new project](#) (or projects) ASAP! We have a wealth of other supporters who are eager to make a tremendous impact in California. New funding offers will be launching very soon and offer as much opportunity as this great gift. Look out for more details in our teacher newsletter and submit your project right away for the best chance at funding!

Q. Who will be eligible for the additional \$100,000 donation from the Claire Giannini Fund for urgent projects?

A. During the week of October 7th, the Claire Giannini Fund will join with other funders in celebrating DonorsChoose.org's 10th anniversary by bringing a number of urgent projects on the site (as determined by our algorithm) to within \$97-\$99 of completion. If your project is selected to qualify for this offer, you will receive an email notification and will see a logo on your project page. All projects will be considered for this opportunity and no additional action is required from teachers.