



# SACRAMENTO REGION COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

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## Sacramento Attorney Receives the I<sup>st</sup> Annual Don Poole Award

SACRAMENTO, Calif., February 8, 2012 — The Sacramento Region Community Foundation announced that L. Stuart List of Boutin Jones, Inc., is the recipient of the first annual Don Poole Award for significant contributions to the Community Foundation's mission of growing philanthropy in our region. According to Ruth Blank, CEO, "the selection of Stuart List as the first Don Poole awardee was enthusiastically supported by our staff, our board and by his peers. Stuart definitely embodies the spirit of Don, through his compassion, his devotion to educating his clients about charitable giving, and his tireless mentoring of fellow attorneys."

Don Poole, a veteran estate planning attorney and former Community Foundation board member, spent 38 years at McDonough, Holland & Allen. Don died in 2009, leaving an inspiring legacy for fellow advisors. Don's practice included creating plans for large and small estates that require sophisticated charitable giving techniques. He believed that it is vital for estate planners to ask about the clients' charitable intent and to help them reach their goals while achieving favorable tax status. As Don often stated to clients, "I am going to get you to part with your money and you will like it because the IRS loses and your family wins."

The Community Foundation also announced that nine local advisors received its 2012 Bridge Builder award for their roles in encouraging donors to achieve their charitable objectives through the foundation. Because of the honorees' efforts, a number of funds with extremely diverse charitable purposes were brought to the Foundation, offering support for community efforts such as:

- Scholarships to women from developing countries;
- Support for graduates of Woodland Adult Education in their future studies;

- Support for the activities of the Sacramento Region Community Foundation in perpetuity;
- Funding for general charitable purposes in the Clarksburg area;
- Support for educational, economic, cultural and arts exchanges between the US and China; and
- Scholarships for women from the Delta pursuing business degrees.

Awardees and the charitable funds they referred were:

**Barbara Bender**, Law Offices of Barbara J. Bender  
Malcolm W. Robinson Foundation

**Stacey Brennan**, Boutin Jones, Inc.  
Helen Nash Scholarship Fund

**Penny Brown**, Boutin Jones, Inc.  
Sorooptimist International of Greater Sacramento Endowment

**Jeff Clair** , Clair Pringle & Associates, LLP  
Fletter Family Fund

**Trudy Nearn**, Generations Law Firm  
Rykowski Foundation

**Jim Deeringer**, Downey Brand Attorneys, LLP  
The Vernon Andrew Farnum Endowment

**Kent Silvester** , Boutin Jones, Inc.  
Patty Bogle Charitable Fund and The Bogle Family Charitable Fund

**Stephen Tse**, Merrill Lynch Wealth Management  
John and Margaret Wong Fund

**Sally Wheeler-Valine**, Family Advocates  
Carroylin and Robert Threlkel Scholarship

**About the Sacramento Region Community Foundation**

The Sacramento Region Community Foundation is an advocate for quality of life, dedicated to connecting people who care with charitable causes. An effective

steward of the region's charitable assets since 1983, the Foundation's mission is to serve as a leader and trusted partner in expanding philanthropy and enhancing its impact in our community. From charitable funds established by individuals, families, businesses and organizations, the Sacramento Region Community Foundation awards grants and engages in leadership activities to address a wide variety of current and long term community issues. For more information, visit [www.sacregcf.org](http://www.sacregcf.org).