Tahoe Mountain Resorts donates \$115,000 to community

With a special focus on local youth development programs, the Tahoe Mountain Resorts Foundation recently announced grants totaling \$115,200 to 15 organizations through its winter 2011 granting cycle.

This year's top grant recipient is Adventure Risk Challenge (ARC) who was awarded a \$30,000 grant. ARC's unique 40-day program is designed to support youth in gaining essential leadership and academic skills to support their equitable involvement in a diverse community and society.

Other youth-oriented grant recipients include Boys and Girls Club of North Tahoe, \$10,000; Girls on the Run, \$4,000; Get in the Act! Arts in Action, \$2,500 and Jazz Artist in Residence, \$7,500. The TMRF also awarded grants to outdoor focused groups including Disabled Sports USA Far West, \$2,000; Northstar XC-Snowshoe Series, Tahoe Rim Trail Association, \$7,500; Trails and Vistas, \$1,000; Truckee Trails Foundation, \$4,540 and Truckee River Watershed Council, \$10,613. Additionally, grants were awarded to Project MANA, \$3,550; Sierra Senior Services, \$9,000 and Tahoe Family Solutions, \$4,000.

This year the Foundation has launched a donor club, Friends of the Foundations, to help supplement the Foundation's current grant giving. Friends will have an opportunity to serve as influential ambassadors for the Foundation's select philanthropic programs and outreach efforts.

The Friends of the Foundation offers both a \$10,000 and a \$5,000 giving level and membership is open to just 30 donors at each level. Donor benefits include skiing, golfing, dining and cultural event privileges.

The mission of Tahoe Mountain Resorts Foundation is to serve

as a catalyst for community enhancement by providing leadership and funding which will enrich the quality of life in the Truckee — North Tahoe region through cultural, environmental, educational and charitable pursuits.

For more information on the Tahoe Mountain Resorts Foundation and the Friends of the Foundation donor program, visit www.tmrfoundation.com.