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**A FEW EXAMPLES OF RECENT WHALE TAIL® GRANT RECIPIENTS**  
**IN LA COUNTY AND ORANGE COUNTY**

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- **Heal the Bay** for continuing the Adopt-A-Beach Program in Los Angeles County (\$30,000). For holding large monthly public cleanup events, leading volunteers to clean beaches following rainstorms, and transporting students from underserved inland schools for a beach cleanup and educational presentation.
- **Surfrider Foundation, West Los Angeles/Malibu Chapter** for the Teach & Test Program at Santa Monica High School (\$39,135). To develop a state-of-the-art ocean chemistry laboratory to help students conduct water quality testing and study patterns of pollution levels. Their findings were shared with community members as well as other students.
- **Ocean Institute** in Dana Point for two citizen science teaching stations at a new Seaside Learning Center (\$32,900). For a biodiversity station with tanks filled with marine life and wet tables for finding invertebrates living in the mud. Also for an aquatic acoustic listening station for visitors.
- **Orange County Coastkeeper** for a new eelgrass laboratory (\$15,120). Staff worked with the California Department of Fish and Game to design and build a laboratory at the Back Bay Science Center in Newport Beach to grow eelgrass for future restoration projects. An aquatic plant ecology curriculum was also developed.
- **Aquarium of the Pacific** to support an educational partnership with Cesar Chavez Elementary School in Long Beach (\$30,000). For Aquarium staff to teach the Cesar Chavez students throughout the year, stock their science laboratory, host them and their families at Aquarium events, and take the fifth-graders on an educational boat trip.
- **Los Cerritos Wetlands Authority** to support the Los Cerritos Wetlands Stewardship Program in Long Beach (\$18,000), allowing community volunteers the opportunity to adopt a wetland, help remove litter from Los Cerritos Wetlands, and learn about native plants as they remove invasive species at public restoration events.
- **Malibu Foundation for Environmental Education** to produce an instructional DVD featuring the Adopt-A-Beach school assembly program (\$25,000) featuring expanded content, quizzes, animation, and beach cleanup footage.
- **Boys & Girls Clubs of Tustin** for the SeaTech program (\$26,700). Teens participated in a weekly ocean science and career program. Younger students took part in SeaTech's feeder program, "Ultimate Oceans."
- **California State University, Fullerton** for "The Ocean Rocks!" (\$41,500). A new curriculum for the Anaheim Union High School District taught plate tectonics and geologic processes through an in-depth study of the sea floor. Provided training for high school teachers and science teachers-in-training.
- **Crystal Cove Alliance** for a new beach wheelchair that can be pushed across the sand (and extra replacement parts) for visitors (\$3,700).