

Arrowhead United Way's Young Leadership Council and Target Support Read with the Principal Program



Volunteer Fabiola Yanez from Target Regional Distribution Center in Rialto reads with a student from Myers Elementary School in Rialto

Rialto, CA, December 10, 2010 – Arrowhead United Way's Young Leadership Council (YLC) used a portion of a Target reading grant to purchase books to benefit students at a local school for their reading program.

The first school visit for this program was on December 9, 2010, at Myers Elementary School in the Rialto Unified School District. Up to 50 Books were distributed to students in kindergarten through the 5th grade during the event in order to encourage and promote reading among young children. Some of the books purchased were *Captain Underpants*, *Fantastic Mr. Fox*, *Holly Jolliday*, and *The Night I Flunked My Field Trip*.

Many participants wore pajamas and cookies and milk were served. Students had an opportunity to read with volunteers from the YLC. Approximately halfway through the event, all of the students gathered on the floor and a guest reader from the YLC read a book to the entire group.

The YLC was formed in May 2010 as part of Arrowhead United Way. The Young Leadership Council consists of young professionals between the ages of 21 and 40. This council is actively engaged in the community and inspires philanthropy and volunteerism.

AUW is a volunteer driven organization that actively supports health and human services by focusing on youth services, family services, and basic needs. These services address the underlying causes of the community's issues and create lasting change. The organization was established in 1891 and is led by prominent respected community leaders; it is one of the oldest United Ways in the country.

AUW encourages individuals to become more involved in the community by giving, advocating, and volunteering. For more information about how to become involved with AUW, please call (909) 884-9441 or visit www.ArrowheadUnitedWay.org.