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## Cape Coral American Legion Donates Thousands to Charities

American Legion Post 90 and Sons of Legion squadron 90 (S.A.L.) in Cape Coral announced their annual donations to support local community charities and veteran organizations totaling \$12,100. These donations are a result of year-round fundraising activities. Post 90 donated \$2000 to Cape Coral for the Children to provide scholarships for High School students. "Our Post always supports local charities in times of need and adversity, and providing scholarships is especially important during these challenging economic times," said Keith Berres, Commander of Post 90. The Director of the charity, Julie Lombardi, stated "the mission of the Cape Coral for the Children is to recognize student achievement and community activities and was grateful for the contribution." The second charity, The Cape Coral Caring Center, received a donation of \$3100 from the Sons of Legion Squadron 90. American Legion Baseball Chair and S.A.L Finance Officer Bob Buchholz stated, "Our thoughts are for the safety, security, and well-being of everyone affected by hunger." The Caring Center's Executive Director, Julie Ferguson, said, "Our most sincere thanks go out to all of the members of the American Legion and the S.A.L. who contributed to ensuring the reduction of food insecurity in Cape Coral."

In addition to these donations, Post 90 contributed funds to support veterans in various ways. For example, one of the donations was awarded to the American Legion Department of Florida Suicide Prevention Program for \$3500 and another to the Department for \$3500 for Project Vet Relief. This program helps veterans with financial needs.

Additional information about American Legion Post 90 is available on their website [post90swfl.org](http://post90swfl.org). The Legion encourages businesses and individuals who would like to donate to contact Post 90 at [alpost90cape@yahoo.com](mailto:alpost90cape@yahoo.com). It also urges all active military and veterans to join, enjoy the comradeship, and help with our veteran and community support.

American Legion of SW Florida Post 90 was established in 2001 and currently marking its 20th year of operations. Members number approximately 1000, and S.A.L members number about 120. The Legion provides a broad range of services to veterans and the community. For further information about the Post, please contact Ted Clark, PR Officer, at 845 527-7948, or at [tedclark12@gmail.com](mailto:tedclark12@gmail.com). If you want to join the American Legion, contact Wayne Cave, Membership Chair, at 239 540-8128.



Bob Buchholz of the SAL, and Keith Berres, Commander of Post 90 present check to Julie Ferguson, Executive Director of the Cape Coral Caring Center.



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