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# Press Release

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## **GIRL SCOUT TROOP DONATES PORTION OF COOKIE SALES TO ENVIRONMENTAL NATURE CENTER**

*ENC Executive Director will accept donation, which will help create a new Nature Play Area and Garden*

**Newport Beach, Calif., May 26, 2015** – On May 29 at 4:30PM, Carden Academy Girl Scout Troop #3367 will hand deliver a donation check to Environmental Nature Center (ENC) Executive Director Bo Glover. The donation is a portion of the troop's cookie sales profits. The funds will help the ENC create a new Nature Play area - an outdoor natural classroom where children can play and learn – as well as an organic food garden at the Center's future Nature Preschool.

"We are on a garden journey this year," said Troop #3367 Leader Carolyn Posey. "We wanted our donation to go to something related to gardening, like a children's garden, and we are thrilled that the ENC can use our donation to help create a Nature Play area and Organic Food Garden for the ENC's future Nature Preschool."

All 16 scouts in the troop will be on hand to deliver the check. The girls will then pitch their tents, start a campfire, and cook a celebratory meal to commemorate the end of their scouting year. An ENC Naturalist will facilitate games, tell stories around the campfire, and lead a night hike for the girls.

"Right now all of the donations coming in for the Nature Preschool and Nature Play Area are being doubled by a local philanthropist," said Glover. "Troop #3367's gift comes at the perfect time to make the biggest impact!"

### **About the ENC**

Founded in 1972, the ENC is a fascinating combination of 15 California native plant communities, wildlife habitat, walking trails, and sustainably designed, LEED Platinum certified learning center. For over 40 years, the ENC has been shaped and caressed into a 5-acre landscape for learning, a sanctuary from life's pressures and a place of preservation and instruction. Serving over 21,000 students and thousands of visitors annually, the ENC is recognized as a leader in science and social science education providing opportunities for increasing our community's knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the natural world.

The ENC recently purchased property to develop a nature play area, and construct our community's first nature based preschool. With a mission of providing quality education through hands-on experience with nature, the ENC inspires all generations to protect the natural world by serving as our community's foremost authority on ecological responsibility, sustainable practices and environmental education. The ENC is a non-profit 501(c)-3 public benefit corporation. For more information call 949-645-8489, or visit [www.ENCenter.org](http://www.ENCenter.org). The ENC is located at 1601 16th St. in Newport Beach.

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