

## You Can Make a Difference

*The Assistance League of Tustin plays an important part in the lives of our students in the Tustin Unified School District. Last year, this hard-working and dedicated organization donated more than \$141,000 to support several programs benefiting the children in our district. These programs include, Operation School Bell (providing uniforms and supplies for elementary school students), children's dental health care programs and services, Project TODAY (a drug intervention program), SAT preparation classes for high school students, Outdoor Education (which supplies clothing and sleeping bags for the children attending Outdoor ED), and Every 15 Minutes (an alcohol awareness program). The Assistance League of Tustin continues to make a real difference in our community.*



Gregory A. Franklin, Ed.D.  
Superintendent  
Tustin Unified School District

## Ways to Donate

You are invited to join an incredible group of volunteers who are dedicated to making a difference in our community. Assistance League of Tustin offers unique volunteer opportunities that fit both your interests and time. As a member, you will enjoy the benefits and rewards of:

- ★ Volunteering and serving within your own community
- ★ Seeing the power of change in action
- ★ Making strong friendships that will last a lifetime
- ★ Learning about resources and becoming aware of issues within your community

### Top Reasons to Become a Member

- ★ Knowing you can make a profound difference in the life of someone you've never met
- ★ Developing skills and talents you never knew you possessed
- ★ Being part of a team who believes their participation can help make the world a better place

**Financial Gifts:** You can help support our many community programs by sending a financial gift of any size to our Chapter House at the address listed on the back. If you are able to contribute \$1,000 or more, you will be honored as one of ALT's *Community Partners*, and will receive a permanent brick displaying your name that will be placed in the walkway outside of our Thrift Shop entrance.

**Thrift Shop Inventory:** Sales from our Thrift Shop provide funding for the many local philanthropic programs we offer. If you'd like to contribute gently-used clothing, small furniture, or housewares, you will receive a nice tax deduction and our sincere gratitude.

**Additional Items We Can Use:** If you have excess inventory, we accept these items as donations too—from cases of toothbrushes to out-of-season clothing to school supplies. Your business or store gets a tax deduction and we can always put what you have to good use.



## Leaders in Volunteer Service

*Working to improve lives in our community.*



### How your gift can help

- \$4,000** Pays for a 3-day intervention program for up to 12 students caught using drugs or alcohol
- \$1,500** Pays for urgent dental care for a child in Kindergarten through 3rd grade
- \$100** Provides two complete school uniforms
- \$50** Provides warm clothing and/or a sleeping bag
- \$40** Provides dental care products for two elementary school classrooms
- \$30** Provides one pair of shoes and socks for a child
- \$20** Provides a book and school supplies

Assistance League of Tustin, a chapter of National Assistance League®, is a 501 (c)(3) corporation.



If you are ready to join us as a member or volunteer, please contact our Membership Chairperson at (714) 544-2612 or visit our Website at [www.ALtustin.org](http://www.ALtustin.org).



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— Thrift Shop Hours —  
Mon.-Wed. & Fri. 10am to 2pm  
Saturday 10am to 3pm  
Closed Thursdays, Sundays,  
and Holidays



Assistance League® is a national non-profit organization that has put caring and commitment into action through community-based philanthropic programs for over 100 years.

Unlike most national charities, Assistance League of Tustin's focus is directly on our local community. All funds we raise "go to work" right within our city in places where funding is needed most. And linked together with all of our chapters nationwide, the Assistance League works day-in-and-out, in a variety of different ways, to help those in need achieve a better quality of life.

## Caring and Commitment *in action!*



Assistance League of Tustin is an autonomous, tax-exempt charitable corporation with over 300 member-volunteers. We consist of our Chapter members who professionally run the organization along with two auxiliaries: our Winifred Campbell Auxiliary, for women who work full-time or prefer to meet in the evenings; and our Assisteens, an incredibly-active group of nearly 150 caring young women and men in grades 8–12. Together, last year these three groups celebrated over 20,000 hours of volunteerism in the community of Tustin.

### The power to make a difference.

Our chapter gains it's strength not only from our dedicated volunteers, but from the support and revenues that come directly from donor contributions and other fund-raising efforts including operation of our Thrift Shop and special events. ALT's current philanthropic activities include the following programs in the community of Tustin:

### Operation School Bell®

Hundreds of students in the Tustin Unified School District (TUSD) receive new school-approved uniforms, a variety of school supplies, and a voucher to buy shoes through this valuable program.



### Children's Dental Health

Each fall, students who would otherwise be unable to seek dental care are screened by local dentists right at their own elementary school. Each child is given a written report to take home to their parents, along with a toothbrush and toothpaste. Those who are



identified as being in need of urgent dental care receive funding from ALT and contributions from local participating dentists for treatment at one of their reputable offices.

### Project Today

This drug and alcohol program is offered in partnership with TUSD to middle- and high-school students after they have been suspended for first-time possession or use of these substances. Intervention and education programs are included, and parents are given the tools to recognize symptoms and respond when their children are at risk of substance abuse.

### S.A.T. Preparation Classes

Provides facilities and instructors for high school students to assist them in preparation for the Scholastic Aptitude Test for college entrance. Qualified teachers in the fields of English and Mathematics instruct at these sessions with guidance and supervision by appropriate personnel.

### Waste Not, Want Not

Provides secondary clothing and merchandise to Deseret Industries, UCI Medical Center, and other unrelated not-for-profit entities. These items are initially received as donations to the ALT thrift shop.

### Hearts of Hope

Oversees the distribution of food and provides assistance to shelters in the Tustin community including: The Village of Hope, Mary's Shelter, and the Laurel House. These organizations provide shelter for homeless families, singles, or pregnant teens or other teenagers having difficulties at home.

### Assisteens® Buddy Program

This innovative program provides service and support to AYSO, Blind Children's Learning Center and Aquachievers Swim Program through Blue Buoy Swim School by partnering Assisteens with children and adults who have special needs.

### Outdoor Education

Provides jackets, sleeping bags, boots, and other camping gear to local elementary school children to use during their outdoor education program which is run by elementary schools in the Tustin Unified School District.

### Every 15 Minutes

ALT makes a contribution to the local school district annually to assist with the funding of this district-run program that emphasizes the results of driving under the influence.

### Thrift Shop Services

As the cornerstone for our fundraising efforts, our Thrift Shop offers an eclectic selection of gently-used clothing, home decor and housewares, books, music, and more! A boutique area offers better clothing and keepsakes. Tax-deductible donations are accepted anytime during our regular business hours.