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**\$1,000 Sierra Grant Awarded to  
Buck Rock Foundation**

**PORTERVILLE, CA** — Bank of the Sierra is pleased to announce a \$1,000 Sierra Grant has been awarded to the Buck Rock Foundation. The foundation serves the community by preserving fire lookouts and other historical structures that play an important role in fire detection and education. Funds awarded will be used to help with cost for a paid interpreter to lead youth study groups, and will help provide field guide handbooks for each student.

**About The Sierra Grant Program**

The Sierra Grant Program is designed to improve the quality of life for the families, especially the children, who reflect the diversity within Bank of the Sierra branch communities. The Sierra Grant Program is focused on three areas: community services, park preservation, and education. Anyone involved in a non-profit program that is interested in a Sierra Grant can pick up an instructional brochure at any Bank of the Sierra branch, or visit the bank web site at [www.bankofthesierra.com](http://www.bankofthesierra.com).

**About Bank of the Sierra**

With over \$1.3 billion in assets and strong performance ratios, Bank of the Sierra is the largest independently owned community bank headquartered in Southern San Joaquin Valley's Heartland. The bank serves 15 different communities with 25 branches, two Ag Centers and one SBA Center. For more information visit the web site at [www.bankofthesierra.com](http://www.bankofthesierra.com) or call (888) 454-BANK.

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