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### U.S. Bank Steps Up

**San Diego, CA** – In a new twist to the Step Up San Diego program, U.S. Bank has just unveiled the “U.S. Bank Dream Suite” at Petco Park. Leveraging their connection with the Padres during this year’s baseball season, U.S. Bank has offered their box at the ball park to community organizations for one game each. San Diego nonprofits have stepped up with a variety of uses that will benefit the long term health of their organizations.

“We wanted to find a unique way to give back to our hometown, and the U.S. Bank Dream Suite was the perfect answer,” says Robert Horsman, U.S. Bank San Diego regional chairman.

The U.S. Bank Dream Suite calendar has quickly filled with nonprofits who will be using the facility for a variety of programs. From veterans groups, to Boys & Girls Club, to the Salvation Army, each group has stepped up with a different need. Some organizations are hosting recipients of their services who would never be able to attend a major league baseball game. Others are focused on employee recognition, donor cultivation, auctioning the opportunity at their individual fundraising events or recognizing deserving volunteers who give endlessly.

“U.S. Bank is making it possible for us to work with more and more of our nonprofit members, helping them to realize the benefits that are available through Step Up San Diego,” states San Diego Association of Nonprofits (SANDAN) Executive Director, Anne Bolzoni.

Step Up San Diego is a collaboration that has been developed over the past two years with leadership from Parker Pike at UCSD Extension and the cooperation of multiple corporate partners and media partners throughout the county. The mission of Step Up San Diego is to provide support for smart and effective nonprofits in the area. In late 2010, Step Up San Diego joined with SANDAN to oversee the future of the initiative. To find out more about this and other programs of Step Up go to [www.stepupsandiego.org](http://www.stepupsandiego.org).

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