



ANSWERING TO A HIGHER CALLING

Orange Catholic Foundation

Headquarters - Garden Grove, CA

Number of Grant Programs - 34

Software Configuration:

- General Ledger
- Accounts Payable
- Accounts Receivable Reporting
- Accounts Receivable Billing
- Bank Reconciliation
- Budget
- Forms Designer
- Data Import/Export



...established in 2000 as a permanent funding source for the mission of the

Church in Orange County. The Foundation serves as a fund raising arm, providing for the temporal needs in support of vital ministries and services that benefit all parishes and the wider community through planned giving, endowments, capital fundraising and parish stewardship, and development consultation. This includes grants for Catholic Schools administration and outreach support programs.

Director of Finance Sandy Bigelow had a wealth of experience in the for-profit financial accounting arena, but needed a quick refresher in non-profit accounting and help through the

software selection process. Per Sandy, “NP Solutions listened to me explain our challenges, asked pertinent questions and made recommendations for moving forward that I hadn’t considered.”

Those challenges that their existing QuickBooks system did not adequately address included: easily and accurately tracking individual funding sources, accounting for ‘restricted’ and ‘unrestricted’ funds, preparing meaningful budgets and budget revisions, quickly generating cross fiscal year reports without the use of disparate spreadsheets and integration with their existing fundraising system.

The Abila MIP Fund Accounting™ program is designed specifically for non-profit and quasi-government organizations. Orange Catholic Foundation had the same challenges so many other organizations realize when experiencing rapid growth. QuickBooks and other for-profit systems weren’t built for not-for-profit organizations.

Reporting was a major concern for Orange Catholic Foundation and the ability to present reports to the various Board members in different output formats. Cross-fiscal year reports were taking an inordinate amount of time to generate. NP Solutions was able to demonstrate how power of the Abila MIP Fund Accounting™ Chart of Account schemas to accommodate ‘restricted’, ‘temporarily restricted’ and ‘unrestricted’ funds as well as create multiple balancing segments for reporting purposes.

Once the decision committee realized the time and resource savings Abila MIP Fund Accounting™ would deliver they were interested. And, once the decision committee realized the total-cost-of-project to implement the recommended software configuration they had us start the implementation immediately.

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www.orangecatholicfoundation.org