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Starfish Aquatics Program Update:

On March 30th of 2013, Boys & Girls Club of San Francisco based Starfish Aquatics Club was awarded a significant grant by the Diversity Committee from Pacific Swimming. Although this funding was only recently awarded, the money has already been put to good use. On April 20<sup>th</sup> and 21st Starfish Aquatics Club was able to send 10 scholar-shipped swimmers to the CBA+ long course meet in Vallejo Ca. Our swimmers competed well, improving in at least 1 over their events and also demonstrated great sportsmanship by shaking the hands of competitors following their races. On June 29th and 30th, Starfish Aquatics Club will attend the Sunnyvale Long Course meet and plan on bringing a minimum of 10 more scholar-shipped athletes.

With the addition of this funding, we are able to attend 2 CBA+ long course meets and will be able to attend at least 3 CBA+ short course meets with little impact on our budget. As a team whose primary goal is to outreach to lower income families in San Francisco and support their desire to become competitive swimmers, this grant has greatly assisted our capacity to continually offer scholarship dues rates to families to need them.