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VALLIVUE BASEBALL INC. AWARDED MORE THAN \$87,000 BY THE BASEBALL TOMORROW FUND FOR THE INSTALLATION OF MUSCO LIGHTING EQUIPMENT

(Caldwell, Idaho) (May 29, 2013) – The Baseball Tomorrow Fund (BTF) has awarded a grant in the amount of \$87,921 to Vallivue Baseball Inc. (VBI) for the installation of field lighting at the Vallivue High School baseball field. The grant supports the "Light the Night 2013" project intended to expand field availability into the evening hours and to support additional development opportunities for new youth players. Portions of the lighting equipment will be provided at a significant discount through a partnership between BTF and Musco Lighting, Inc., a leader in the sports lighting industry.

Vallivue Baseball Inc. is a volunteer organization supporting, enriching and expanding baseball in one of Idaho's largest rural school districts, covering a geographic area of 143 square miles. Since the "Light the Night 2013" project launched last fall, the entire Vallivue community has rallied together in support. Through fundraising and in-kind donations, community partners, baseball enthusiasts and friends have shown overwhelming and generous support of the project. The project will increase family and community participation, improve academic success of student athletes and expand the delivery of more instructional and skills-based clinics.

"We are really excited to partner with the Baseball Tomorrow Fund to provide this much needed improvement to our baseball complex," said Sidney Vogt, President of Vallivue Baseball, Inc. "This is the result of a tireless effort of committed parents and baseball enthusiasts in this great community. It also allows us to gain significant momentum as we continue to develop our baseball program and provide opportunities for these young student athletes."

"The Baseball Tomorrow Fund is pleased to be a part of the "Light the Night" project in Caldwell," said Cathy Bradley, Executive Director of the Baseball Tomorrow Fund. "We realize the importance of lighted fields to accommodate the needs of the players and fans and fully support the efforts of Vallivue Baseball, Inc. to provide high school baseball and youth skills development in the community. A special thanks to our partner, Musco Lighting, Inc., for its continued support of our grant recipients and making grants like this one possible."

"We at Musco Sports Lighting are honored to be part of the team helping the Baseball Tomorrow Fund assist organizations like Vallivue Baseball Inc. to increase local playing opportunities," said Musco representative Shane White. "We appreciate the hard work communities across the country dedicate to providing services to their children and the group of volunteers that helped make this project happen really put in a lot of time and effort. I'm looking forward to helping this group put our lights up at Vallivue High School's baseball field and it will be a nice finishing touch to an impressive complex."

"Being selected as a Baseball Tomorrow Fund grant recipient is a tremendous accomplishment," said Head Baseball Coach Justin Schneidt. "There were many great people involved in this endeavor and many more who will benefit. Having Musco Lighting on the baseball field at Vallivue High School will help our program reach its fullest potential. The overwhelming support from our community, families and friends has been outstanding."



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About the Baseball Tomorrow Fund

The Baseball Tomorrow Fund (BTF) is a joint initiative between the Major League Baseball Players Association and Major League Baseball designed to promote the growth of youth baseball and softball throughout the world by awarding grants to support field renovation and construction projects, equipment and uniform purchases, coaches training material and other selected program expenses. Since its formation by MLB and the MLBPA in 1999, BTF has awarded more than 700 grants totaling more than \$23 million to non-profit and tax-exempt organizations in the U.S., Canada, Latin America, the Caribbean, Europe, Africa and Asia. Approximately 325,000 youth players have benefited from programs and facilities supported by the fund. BTF also facilitates league-wide initiatives including the collection and distribution of new and gently used equipment to organizations in need as well as field maintenance education clinics. For more information, visit baseballtomorrowfund.com and follow BTF on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [MLBlogs](#).

About Musco Lighting

Musco Sports Lighting, a proud partner of the Baseball Tomorrow Fund, has specialized in the design and manufacture of athletic field lighting for over 35 years. Recognized around the globe as the world-class leader in sports lighting, Musco's Green Generation Lighting® enhances the playing of Americas favorite pastime while cutting energy costs and the impact on the environment. Working with organizations such as the Amateur Softball Association, Babe Ruth League, Disney, Little League Baseball, Major League Baseball, NASCAR, and the NBA, Musco has played a key role in developing guidelines for safe, efficient sports facilities. Musco is a proud partner with the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA), Little League® Baseball and Softball, Babe Ruth League, Minor League Baseball, and the Amateur Softball Association. For more about Musco Sports Lighting, visit www.musco.com.

About Vallivue Baseball Inc

Established in 2008, Vallivue Baseball Inc. is a non-profit organization structured to advance, sponsor, promote and financially assist in providing and encouraging all players to pursue their individual success through the great game of baseball and work as a team to capture excellence both on and off the field. Vallivue Baseball Inc. promotes community involvement, civic responsibility, sportsmanship, team loyalty and individual accountability through hard work and community projects. For more information, visit www.vallivuebaseball.com.