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Coldwell Banker Real Estate's Orinda office once again this year sponsored 60 "Angels" as part of the Contra Costa County Social Services' "Adopt an Angel" program. The real estate office has participated in this program, which grants Christmas wishes for the county's foster children who otherwise might not receive any holiday gifts, for the past 15 years. The office has a culture of "giving back to the community" and participates in many other community outreach programs. This year Coldwell Banker Orinda's agents raised \$7000 for Habitat for Humanity and the sales associates and their clients participated in a Habitat "Build" in Oakland this past summer. They also created and raised money for The Spencer Neale Memorial Scholarship for Excellence in Art which honored the late daughter of one of their colleagues by assisting two Campolindo High School graduating seniors in their college studies in the field of Art. December 6-10, Coldwell Banker is promoting it's Bay Area Food Bank Drive and will match donations up to \$10,000; the money will benefit the communities in which is collected.

Coldwell Banker manager Val Cook-Watkins and MaryAnn Hughes-Jones; Hughes-Jones and Dick Holt (not pictured) have spearheaded the Adopt and Angel program in the Orinda office for the past 15 years. Photo provided

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