

Moraga Baseball Association Scores Big with Used Equipment Drive

THANK YOU MBA AND MBA FAMILIES!!!! On Saturday, March 6, Scott and I ended a six-week long Used Baseball Equipment Drive at the MBA Opening Day Ceremony. MBA and MBA family donations resulted in the collection of over 1500 individual items worth over \$30,000 of used baseball equipment, if new.



From left to right: Scott Hillhouse, Ryan Hoffman, Ryan Hooper, Annie and Olivia Hillhouse.

We were amazed at how many people offered to help. It really was a team effort. We could not have counted, cleaned and boxed up all the stuff without the help from my friend and teammate Ryan Hooper and Scott's sister's Annie and Olivia Hillhouse.

We are especially grateful to MBA, Campo Baseball, LMYA and the families in Moraga and Lafayette for all their donations. Special thanks go to Mrs. Schoenwald, MBA Secretary/Registrar for her help with editing and getting the word out through newsletters; Mr. Buckley, MBA President and Mr. Westphal, MBA's President-elect, for coordinating and making accessible MBA's uniform, field and equipment manager's Mr. Kronenberg, Johnston and Grausz. They gave us a ton of no longer needed equipment and bases. Campo's freshman baseball coach, Mr. McNulty, put us in contact with Mr. Lesserman from LMYA who contributed over 400 baseballs, some batting tees and home plates. Everyone went out of their way to make this successful.



From left to right: Ryan Hoffman, Mr. Westphal, Mr. Buckley and Scott Hillhouse.

The East Bay was in immediate need of bases and field equipment. We quickly delivered the bases and field equipment to “Used Baseball Equipment for Inner City Kids,” and they have already been distributed to Oakland High, Oakland Tech, College Prep and Skyline High School. Last weekend we delivered the remaining equipment which included over 100 bats, 600 baseballs, assorted pants, belts, cleats, catcher’s equipment, helmets, tee’s and bat bags, to name a few.

Thanks for being apart of this adventure.

Ryan Hoffman and Scott Hillhouse