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**SILICON VALLEY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AWARDS OVER \$70,000
TO 22 NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS IN SAN MATEO AND SANTA CLARA COUNTIES**

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA – Twenty-two resident and neighborhood organizations in San Mateo and Santa Clara counties have been awarded grants totaling \$73,480 by Silicon Valley Community Foundation. The grants announced today are part of the community foundation’s Neighborhood Grants program.

Grantees are San Mateo and Santa Clara County residents and neighborhood organizations that are committed to renewal of their neighborhoods.

“Neighborhood groups and organizations are a wonderful vehicle for residents to put their ideas for building safe, strong communities into action,” said Eleanor Clement Glass, chief giving officer, Silicon Valley Community Foundation. “We are happy to provide support to the residents and neighborhood groups of our community. These organizations improve neighborhood conditions and quality of life and nurture relationships among neighbors.”

Silicon Valley Community Foundation, the \$1.7 billion community foundation created in January by the merger of Peninsula Community Foundation and Community Foundation Silicon Valley, is focused on innovative solutions that solve the region’s most critical problems and improve the quality of life throughout San Mateo and Santa Clara counties.

During the next several months, the community foundation has continued its community grants programs and will develop and release new grantmaking priorities this fall.

“As a new community foundation, we need time to examine the needs across our region and evaluate the best practices before launching a new, regional grantmaking strategy,” Clement Glass said. “During the next several months, we will continue the community grantmaking programs of our parent foundations, which are organized according to the geographic area of the communities served.”

The twenty-two resident and neighborhood organizations funded are listed below. More information about the community foundation is online at www.siliconvalleycf.org.

SAN MATEO COUNTY: DALY CITY TO MOUNTAIN VIEW

Burton Park Playground Committee, San Carlos	\$6,000
Support to install rubber safety/accessible surface to the Burton Park Playground redesign.	
Lideres del Vecindario, San Mateo	\$6,000
Support for “keeping the neighborhood safe and sound” project.	
North Shoreview Neighborhood Association, San Mateo	\$6,000
Support to create a multicultural website for the North Shoreview Neighborhood.	
Padres e Hijos en Comunicación, South San Francisco	\$6,000
Support for parent and children workshops.	
South Skyline Emergency Preparedness, Woodside	\$3,000
Support for Emergency Preparedness program.	
Woodside Plaza Neighborhood Association, Redwood City	\$5,800
Support for disaster preparedness program.	

SANTA CLARA COUNTY: REDWOOD CITY TO GILROY

ACUDIR, San José	\$2,525
Support for National Night Out and Health and Safety Resource fair.	
Aspen Grove Community Association, Gilroy	\$2,800
Support for community meetings and activities such as health day, teen basketball games and a community BBQ.	
Burbank Community Association, San José	\$3,000
Support for Health Fair event.	
Church and Farrell Avenue Neighborhood, Gilroy	\$1,000
Support for neighborhood watch meetings, socials and BBQ activities.	
Cuesta Park Neighborhood Association, Mountain View	\$1,450
Support for two block events to raise emergency awareness and improve emergency information cards and training materials.	
Glen View Area of Gilroy, Gilroy	\$3,520
Support to provide six monthly forums and CommUNITY Pride event.	
Hyde Park Neighborhood Association, San José	\$1,100
Support for Neighborhood Block Party and United Neighborhoods of Santa Clara County membership.	

IOOF Neighborhood Association, Gilroy	\$3,060
Support for neighborhood watch and gang awareness meeting and neighborhood beautification day.	
Jasmine Square Apartments, Morgan Hill	\$3,100
Support for resident and resident council monthly dinner and meetings and summer community BBQ and picnics.	
Lyndale Neighborhood Association, San José	\$5,000
Support for activities such as neighborhood cleanup, leadership development and books-for-kids literacy project.	
McLaughlin Corridor Neighborhood Association, San José	\$2,700
Support for Neighborhood Cleanup and National Night Out events.	
North Valley Community Association, San José	\$1,000
Support for summer picnic including children’s activities and volunteer recognition.	
Primrose Neighborhood Association, San José	\$2,425
Support for disaster preparedness trainings and materials.	
Roosevelt Park Neighborhood Association, San José	\$2,250
Support for production of monthly newsletter and Dumpster Day event.	
Sobrato Community Association, Gilroy	\$1,950
Support for a neighborhood watch and safety meeting and a carnival event.	
Stoney Court Neighborhood Association, Gilroy	\$3,800
Support for a neighborhood watch and safety meeting and cleanup day.	

About Silicon Valley Community Foundation

The merger of Community Foundation Silicon Valley and Peninsula Community Foundation took effect on January 1, 2007, creating Silicon Valley Community Foundation, a catalyst and leader for innovative solutions to the region’s most challenging problems. The new community foundation is among the largest community foundations in the nation, with more than \$1.7 billion in assets under management and 1,400 philanthropic funds.

In a region known for innovation in business and technology as well as philanthropy, the new community foundation will address local needs and support Silicon Valley’s charitable giving to causes locally, nationally and around the globe. The integration marks the first merger of equals involving two of the country’s leading community foundations and sets new precedent in the philanthropic sector. The new regional headquarters will open in Mountain View in the summer of 2007. On the web at www.siliconvalleycf.org.

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