

“ There are so many needs, figuring out where to give is hard work. We couldn't have supported the census without SVCF; we wouldn't have known how. ”

~ Donors Lydia and Tom Moran on consulting with their family's SVCF Philanthropy Advisor on SVCF's grassroots work to ensure a complete census count



“ Our partnership with Silicon Valley Community Foundation has enabled us to actually make this RV Safe Parking Program come to fruition. We need other foundations to step up like SVCF did. ”

~ Pastor Paul Bains, co-founder, Project WeHOPE, which provides services for homeless individuals and families and those living in their vehicles



“ CalSavers will allow more than 300,000 people in San Mateo and Santa Clara counties who don't have a retirement plan at work to begin saving for retirement. It helps level the playing field for small businesses – and we are grateful to partner with SVCF to get the word out about this game-changing program. ”

~ Mark Herbert of Small Business Majority, a nonprofit that received a grant through SVCF's financial stability portfolio to publicize CalSavers



2019 Community Impact Highlights

In 2019 SVCF focused our local grantmaking in five areas: housing and transportation, education, immigration, financial stability and civic participation. But the problems facing Silicon Valley cannot be solved with grants alone. We also advocated for effective public policy, built coalitions and convened partners to create social change.



Leading up to the 2020 Census, SVCF distributed more than \$1.9 million in grants to 70 local organizations working at the grassroots level to encourage participation in the census and ensure an accurate count. Funding focused on hard-to-count populations and regions, including elderly residents and the rural San Mateo County coast, where nonprofits deployed trusted messengers to get the word out.



SVCF fights systemic injustices in our region. After two years of lobbying by SVCF and partners, in 2019, Governor Gavin Newsom signed Senate Bill 41, making it illegal to use gender and race to determine the compensation victims and families are awarded in civil cases involving injury and death.



Within hours of the tragic Gilroy Garlic Festival shooting in July 2019, SVCF responded by establishing a relief fund in collaboration with Gilroy Foundation. SVCF administered more than \$1.9 million in donations. As intended by donors, 100% of funds went directly to those affected: 22 injured victims or families of victims who died from gunfire, and to 98 additional victims who received hardship support.



In 2019, SVCF worked to protect, preserve and produce affordable housing in Santa Clara and San Mateo counties. Key strategies included local grantmaking, collaborating with corporate partners, focusing on preventing homelessness and providing safety net services to keep families in their homes.

2019 Grants to Nonprofits* Thanks to the generosity of our donors.

\$177M	San Mateo and Santa Clara counties
\$302M	Bay Area counties ¹
\$701M	National ^{1,2}
\$82M	International ³
\$1.26B	Total grantmaking

¹ Excluding San Mateo and Santa Clara counties
² Excluding Bay Area counties

³ Excluding USA
 * All figures exclude grants to other DAFs



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