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2025
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AGENDA

Welcome Jim Davis- NCPC Director

Keynote Neville Billimoria- NCPC Board President

Special Awards Presentation

Corporate Philanthropy Award

Spirit of Carol Sigelman Award

Robert Krejci Standards of Excellence Award

The Bo Mazzetti Impact Award

Volunteer of the Year Recognition Jordan Harrison

Conclusion Neville Billimoria, President, NCPC

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On behalf of the North County Philanthropy Council, welcome to this year's Volunteer Awards Ceremony (VAC)—a day dedicated to honoring the people who make our community stronger through their time, talent, and unwavering generosity.

Volunteers are the heartbeat of our region's nonprofit sector. Each story shared today reflects the power of individuals and organizations who believe in making a difference and who demonstrate, in countless ways, the spirit of philanthropy.

As you read through this program and learn more about our honorees, we invite you to reflect on the incredible impact volunteers have on every corner of San Diego County. Their dedication reminds us that meaningful change is possible when we come together to serve.

We are deeply grateful to our sponsors, members, and community partners for making this celebration possible. Most of all, we thank the volunteers themselves—for showing us the best of humanity and inspiring us to keep building a more connected, compassionate community.

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SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

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2025 Corporate Philanthropy Award

Mission Federal Credit Union



Community is Everything

For more than 60 years, Mission Federal Credit Union has lived its philosophy “Good for you. Good for all.” as a guiding operating principle, not a slogan. Rooted in San Diego and working in and for San Diego, Mission Fed consistently invests in the well-being of the people who live, work, and play here by building strategic, long-term partnerships with local nonprofits and community causes.

Mission Fed operates with a double bottom line, balancing financial performance with a clear social purpose. Its community impact model spans strategic grants and sponsorships, financial education for all ages, and high-visibility community events that mobilize members, employees, and partners. Through award-winning community relations programs, the credit union adapts to evolving local needs while keeping community care its top priority.

This sustained, hyper-local commitment—measured by meaningful partnerships, consistent investment, and practical education that expands opportunity—is why Mission Federal Credit Union is being recognized with the VAC Corporate Philanthropy Award. Their work demonstrates how thoughtful corporate citizenship can strengthen an entire region.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

Spirit of Carol Sigelman Award



Sharyn Goodson

Sharyn Goodson is the Senior Vice President of Philanthropy at the Jewish Community Foundation of San Diego (JCF). She oversees many of the foundation's programs and services, which aim to build thriving Jewish communities

and promote sustainable, equitable, and vibrant societies in San Diego, Israel, nationally, and globally.

Sharyn rejoined JCF after nine years serving as Vice President of Philanthropy at the Leichtag Foundation.

Her previous roles include Vice President of Philanthropy at the Jewish Community Foundation, Director of Grants at Jewish Family Service of San Diego, and Program Director at Aspen Community Foundation in Aspen, CO.

Sharyn is a Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE), a Certified Facilitator through the Association of Fundraising Professionals, and a certified Nonprofit Board Consultant through BoardSource.

In recognition of her collaborative leadership, ethical stewardship, and commitment to strengthening the nonprofit sector, NCPC is proud to honor Sharyn Goodson as this year's Carol Sigelman Award recipient.

REMEMBERING CAROL

Carol Sigelman was a true development professional. She helped open the Children's Museum of San Diego and grow the Palomar Pomerado Health Foundation. Carol served on the boards of NCPC and of Nonprofit Management Solutions. She was president of the Torrey Pines High School Foundation where she was known as the "godmother of the foundation." She was also their first paid executive.

Carol passed away in 2005. As a tribute to her, the NCPC Spirit of Carol Sigelman Award is given annually to a nonprofit professional in San Diego County who exemplifies the passion, integrity, wisdom and humor that Carol brought to all of us. We will always remember her motto, "Get the job done — and done well!"



SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

Robert Krejci Standards of Excellence Award



Danny Sherlock

As President/Chief Executive Officer over the last 39 years, Danny Sherlock has grown the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater San Diego into one of the largest Boys & Girls Clubs in the nation. He has provided leadership for the merger of four independent Boys & Girls Club organizations into one.

Danny has been responsible for fundraising and construction of fifteen Boys & Girls Club facilities including clubhouses, gymnasiums, swimming pools, soccer arenas, a skate park and a teen center. Because of his efforts, the organization is serving over 22,000 young people each year at 22 locations across San Diego County.

Each year, the organization hosts two all-staff training events and at least 32 training workshops. His goal is to ensure that staff have the training and resources they need to provide quality services to our members. He also coaches other Boys & Girls Club professionals from around the country.

Danny is a man of integrity, humility and dependability. He doesn't just expect people to do as he says; he leads by example. It's easy for someone to call themselves a leader. It is much more difficult to be one. Danny doesn't consider himself to be extraordinary, but he is. He is a true leader.

REMEMBERING ROBERT

Bob had a distinguished career as a consultant and fundraising counselor for nonprofit, community service organizations. He served as a Boy Scout Executive for Councils until he joined the Cumerford Corporation as a professional fundraiser and public relations consultant for nonprofit groups. A Rotarian since 1950, he was instrumental in building the Rancho Bernardo Rotary Charitable Foundation.

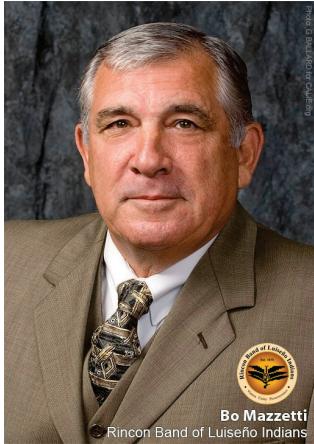
In 1986, Bob Krejci and colleagues, Richard Henrickson and Myron Lewis, brought to life their vision of an organization to connect members of the local philanthropic community; founding the North County Philanthropy Council. Bob passed away in December 2011.

As a tribute to his leadership, NCPC has created the Robert Krejci Standards of Excellence Award which is presented to an individual who has demonstrated outstanding civic and charitable responsibility to North County.



SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

Bo Mazzetti Impact Award



Bo Mazzetti (1947-2025) was the longtime Chairman of the Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians, leading the tribe for more than 16 years and championing tribal sovereignty, economic development, and regional partnerships.

A Vietnam veteran, he also helped secure a historic San Luis Rey Indian Water Rights settlement while serving as President of the San Luis Rey Indian Water Authority.

He was a founding force behind statewide and regional tribal leadership bodies, including the California Tribal Chairpersons' Association and the Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association (president), uniting voices across Indian Country.

Under his stewardship, Rincon strengthened its philanthropic presence and guided key enterprises that support community well-being. Bo was widely respected for integrity, bridge-building, and a steadfast commitment to future generations—a legacy that continues to inspire our region.

About the Award

Introducing the Bo Mazzetti Impact Award.

Created in honor of Bo Mazzetti's lifelong commitment to community, partnership, and service, the Bo Mazzetti Impact Award recognizes an organization or individual that has meaningfully served the Indigenous community or another marginalized community in our region.

Honorees demonstrate culturally responsive engagement, center community voice, build respectful collaborations across sectors, and deliver measurable, lasting impact—whether through direct services, advocacy, education, or economic opportunity.

This award celebrates work that advances dignity and equity, strengthens trust, and opens doors for those historically underserved.

Presented at NCPC's Volunteer Awards Celebration (VAC), the Bo Mazzetti Impact Award uplifts leaders whose actions reflect courage, integrity, and a steadfast commitment to the well-being of all.

NCPC Volunteer Awards Celebration Honorees



Jewish Family Service San Diego

Kerri Abrams

The most meaningful experience I've had as a volunteer with Jewish Family Service has been the bonds I've formed with each and every older adult I've had the privilege of serving. As a volunteer driver, I never feel like "just a driver." Each person who steps into my car becomes more than a passenger — they become a friend. Many have even told me I feel like family to them.



The Princess Project San Diego

Meghan Atilano

Meghan loves working and leading our volunteers at The Princess Project! Seeing them grow in leadership, building confidence, and connecting them with our mission inspires her every day. Supporting their journey is just as rewarding as helping teens shine at their special events!



Boys & Girls Club of Vista

Brenda Ball

As a child, I loved books, and still do. I hope to spark that same passion in the children I read to at the Boys & Girls Club of Vista. Their enthusiasm and hugs make every visit so fulfilling. I'm grateful for the encouragement and support of the Club's staff, which enables me to give my best each week.

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Scatena Daniels Communications

Sammi Beatrice

Sammi counts AMA San Diego's annual Art of Marketing Conference and Cause SD's 2023 Cause Conference among her most rewarding recent experiences. She finds joy in cultivating communities of like-minded individuals who inspire, support, and empower one another.



Ivey Ranch Park Association

Joan Bonwood & Diane Cappellano

At Ivey Ranch, we have learned how to groom horses and have taken continuing education classes to deepen our understanding of equine care. The knowledgeable and supportive staff have helped us grow our skills and expand our understanding about horses. Ivey Ranch is truly our happy place.



Alzheimer's San Diego

Daniel Borhanian

It's hard to sum up my most rewarding experience. Seeing clients and caregivers face challenges I partly understand from my own brain injury is heartbreakingly touching. Their path declines while mine improved. I'm deeply moved but grateful to help and bond with them. It's painful but joyful, and their appreciation is often very visible.

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North County African American Women's Association
Carole Boyce

As the self-appointed poet laureate of our organization, it has been my utmost pleasure to write the words that encourage our scholarship awardees, champion our Luminary Sisters, celebrate the Global Citizens and Ambassadors and address our conference themes. Sharing my words and viewpoint for several community library programs has also been emotionally fulfilling.



The Grauer School
Meighan Brisbois

I'm honored to be chosen as The Grauer School's Volunteer of the Year. Participating in the Parent Association has given me the opportunity to become a close member of the Grauer community. My favorite event that I have helped with is Picture Day - I love getting to say hello to each of the returning students and to welcome the new ones!



REINS
Dennis Burke

Working with kids that have disabilities, the horses, and the staff has truly been an honor. It's a pleasure to see the joy on the children's faces—in a world that can feel so full of problems—their smiles are a gift that gives back to me every time. It feels like being at Disneyland. It's a pleasure and honor to be a part of the lessons, the kids, the staff, and, of course, the horses.

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Casa de Amparo

Kim and Curtis Burns

This spring, Curtis and I had the privilege of volunteering at Casa de Amparo's New Directions location, an incredible program that supports young adults as they transition into independent living. Together with the residents, we planted a vibrant garden overflowing with fresh herbs, vegetables, and fruit plants—a living source of nourishment that will continue to grow for seasons to come.

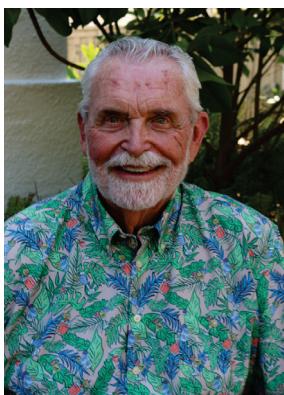


Woman's Club of Carlsbad

Diane Campbell

Being the solo Woman's Club of Carlsbad President was a lifetime experience from which I learned so much about the club, the members and my community.

I was fortunate to lead the club as we came into the club's 100-year celebration. I was able to manage a team of dedicated volunteers to honor the legacy of the club in Carlsbad's Village since 1925. We achieved our goal of getting our name out into the public, of educating members and the community on the club's community impact and celebrating amongst ourselves with a fabulous soiree.



Assistance League of North Coast

Ken Clark

Under Ken's leadership, the scholarship committee now awards scholarships to students from continuation high schools, charter schools, and trade schools as well as traditional high schools. Scholarships are given to students pursuing careers in the trades as well as traditional university programs. Ken has worked to refine the selection process and make it more objective. Ken gives his heart to this program and his work with ALNC makes our community a better place for our students and for all of us who live here.

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Hospice of the North Coast

Julia Cranmer

Volunteering with Hospice of the North Coast at Pacifica House (an in-patient hospice facility) and the Hospice Resale Shop is an important and significant part of my life. I am glad to help however I can.



Escondido Community Foundation

Dara Czerwonka

Serving as ECF's Grants Chair, I saw humanity at its best—diverse individuals collaborating purely to uplift struggling neighbors in our community. The experience heightened my faith in others and proved ordinary people can create profound impact together.

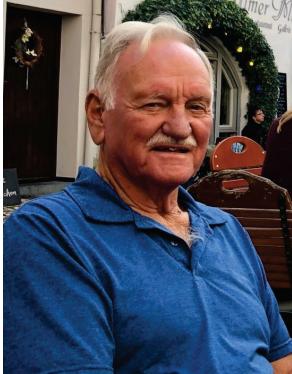


Oncology And Kids

Claire Dufayet

Getting involved with OAK began as a way to support my own children. Giving back through Family Camp has become a way to show other families what's possible, how much love, connection, and quality of life exist even in the hardest of times.

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Interfaith Community Services

Jim Evans

There have been many...but the bottom line is I enjoy helping people that can't afford to pay for the work to be done and sometimes Interfaith is the only person they see in a day.



North County Philanthropy Council

Karin Fair

I'm honored and grateful to be a part of NCPC's work to bridge nonprofits, businesses, donors, and volunteers to advance vital issues. Seeing collaboration spark meaningful change in our community, while championing equity and inclusion, is my privilege.



Junior Achievement of San Diego County

Lupe Flores

I volunteer with Junior Achievement San Diego to help youth understand the value of social capital and career readiness. My proudest moment was when a fellow I mentored three years ago ran up to tell me she'd earned a full-ride to UC Berkeley, thrilled to share the news in person.

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Seacrest Village Retirement Communities
Judi Gerber

I've volunteered at Seacrest Village for 19 years, offering residents ways to stay sharp through trivia and court case discussions that boost listening, memory, and verbal skills. Their smiles, laughter, and engagement mean the world to me. Seeing them return each week, energized and thoughtful, brings me deep joy and pride—it truly makes my day.



Kids for Peace
Cynthia Gilliam

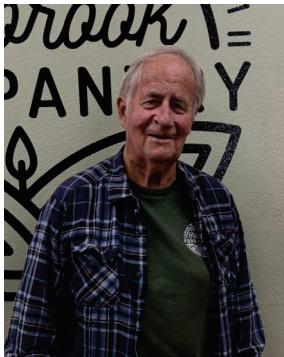
I've had so many meaningful experiences with Kids for Peace. From the first time I was introduced to KfP at Servapalooza to the time we went on the Washington DC Peace Pledge Tour, my heart has been full. Seeing all the children come together to spread love and inspire peace is a beautiful thing!



Braille Institute
Aim Gilstrap

Every day I volunteer is a rewarding experience—whether assisting at the front desk or monitoring classes. I feel fulfilled knowing my efforts positively impact staff, students, and fellow volunteers. It's an honor to contribute to such a meaningful mission.

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Fallbrook Food Pantry

Eugen Gryg

Supporting our community, no matter who walks through the door, is the best part of my volunteer work. Every interaction reminds me how meaningful our efforts are. The experience is made even better by the incredible teamwork, especially with Gabby, I wouldn't keep coming back each week if it didn't feel this good to be part of something so positive.



Women's Empowerment International

Jan Hamilton

I am inspired by the founders and leaders of WE, which funds microloans and other services for women facing poverty, helping them as they uplift their families, grow their communities, and change their world. In return for donating my time and treasure, I receive multifold optimism, support, and friendship.



I Love A Clean San Diego

Liz Harrison

Liz is an absolute gem of a volunteer - she is detail-oriented, follows direction well, and goes above and beyond for her fellow volunteers. This past spring as a volunteer site captain, she went all-out with her site organization, presentation and engagement. We received many rave reviews about her from our other volunteers who came out to clean!

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Got Your Back San Diego

Mike Hartshorn

At Got Your Back San Diego, I embrace my role as a volunteer and warehouse supervisor. For 16 years, we have survived lean financial times and the COVID pandemic. We provide 6 meals each weekend for up to 400 kids throughout the school year. I am proud to be a part of a group of caring individuals making a difference in kids' lives and truly blessed to be a part of this very special organization.



Women's Empowerment International

Julie Hocking

Volunteering with WE has enriched my life in countless ways. The opportunity to contribute both my time and financial support has been incredibly rewarding, knowing that my efforts are helping create lasting change for women. It is an honor to be part of an organization that uplifts and empowers women, and I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to make a difference.



Escondido Branch of the YMCA of San Diego County

Reverend Richard Huls

Richard has been passionately involved with the YMCA's Annual Campaign, which provides scholarships to underserved youth so that they can experience the many joys of camp. Through Richard's incredible heart, generosity and collective fundraising efforts in 2025, he raised \$13,450, exceeding his goal of \$3,500 by 384%.

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Casa de Amistad Center
Marty King

My most rewarding experience is being part of the collaborative Casa community, all united by the common goal of creating a safe and supportive space for all students, fostering a dynamic environment of success where kids can be creative, explore new things, build confidence, and truly thrive!



Rancho Bernardo Community Foundation
Debbie Kurth

As President of the Rancho Bernardo Community Foundation and Thanksgiving Luncheon Chair it has been my honor to work with individuals throughout the RB Community. Every year, the Foundation grants \$100,000 to worthy groups needing assistance in the Rancho Bernardo Area. Seeing firsthand how the money we distribute benefits our community has been inspirational.



MAAC
Martina "Tina" Lozano

Once I saw how teachers and staff care for our children, and how they give us space to learn and grow, I felt like I too was a part of MAAC—not just my child. Volunteering helped me build relationships, learn about resources, learn about my abilities and become a better advocate for my child. As a first-time parent, I didn't know what to expect, but now I'm confident and ready to keep showing up, and empower others too.

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Lifeline Community Services
Alexander Marshall

My most rewarding experience has been teaching kids to plant their own food, seeing their growth and graduations, and supporting the garden as a safe space. Watching them develop pride, skills, and joy in the process has been truly fulfilling.



Canine Companions
Teri McCartney

Learning that service dogs could have other jobs was most interesting to me. Of all the jobs over the years, I am most rewarded with the opportunity to be a Therapy Dog Evaluator/Mentor & Therapy Dog Team. I enjoy helping mentor teams that work with change of career dogs to visit Schools, Libraries, Hospitals, and Airports. It's been the greatest gift to have found a passion with such great return.



Catalent
Frizella Mendiola

Through CSD Cares, I knitted beanies for premature babies for Sharp Mary Birch Hospital, where my little brother was born prematurely. I'll never forget how fragile he looked in the NICU. Each beanie was my way of wrapping these tiny fighters in love – and letting them know they're not alone!

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Agua Hedionda Lagoon Foundation

Mike Metts

While volunteering with the Foundation, I've valued inspiring children to connect with the lagoon and supporting fundraising to sustain programs. As a past Board Chair, I'm proud to have guided the foundation's growth into a strong, lasting community resource that will serve generations.



ElderHelp of San Diego

Ed Miller

Listening to elders recount their storied pasts, from life's profound experiences to pivotal community moments, is deeply moving. There is immense joy in listening to stories and finding laughter and purpose, revealing that giving back is reciprocal; the personal enrichment gained is immeasurable.



Mission Federal Credit Union

Alberto Nevarez

The San Diego Food Bank's Food 4 Kids Backpack Program was a truly heartwarming experience, allowing me to be part of a community effort that directly impacted the lives of local children. It was more than just filling backpacks; it was about filling them with hope.

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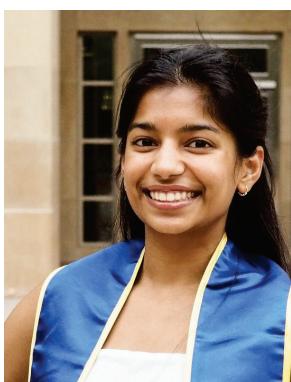
Oceanside Community Foundation
David Nydegger

What drew me to the Oceanside Charitable Foundation was its commitment to giving back to our community. I also want to express my gratitude to the other members of the grants committee for their invaluable support. Thank you for this honor. I'm truly grateful.



California State University San Marcos
Itsarely Palma Castillo

One moment that stands out occurred during a non-Spanish orientation when I translated for a family, ensuring they felt included and informed, during a campus tour. Through my connection with the Foundation, they even had the opportunity to talk further with our President of CSUSM—a moment that reassured them of the opportunities awaiting their student!



Women's Resource Center
Lavanya Pandey

The moments I'm proudest of range from helping a member draft a legal 30-day housing notice, to creating space for conversations that even span challenges with grief, immigration, disability, and more. I've recommended books that sparked confidence and helped someone assert that "it's not fair" at work for the first time, and designed prompts that help members forge rare, meaningful connections. I've watched them use their hard-earned wisdom to help one another.

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MiraCosta College Foundation

Karen Pearson

Beyond supporting the many programs MiraCosta College administers daily, I was very proud to witness, promote, support, and celebrate the impactful MM Bond. I saw firsthand the vision, fortitude, and perseverance that college leadership, staff, donors, alumni, and community put forth and rallied to achieve a \$455 million goal. It was an honor to be part of a significant milestone that is impacting current students and from which future generations will reap the results and benefits of a truly collaborative effort.



Carlsbad Charitable Foundation

Stefan Prvanov

One of the most rewarding experiences was joining my fellow CCF Board members to launch our inaugural Secret Santa program in partnership with Carlsbad Police Department. The energy, dedication, and generosity that poured into this effort were truly inspiring. The kindness we witnessed was heartwarming, and it reminded me just how powerful it is when we come together to help others in their moment of need.



Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater San Diego

Carol Rolf

The Club supports working families with after-school and summer programs, offering kids opportunities they might not otherwise have. Helping expand young people's horizons through education, culture, and community is deeply gratifying to me.

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National Conflict Resolution Center

Toby Roy

While Toby has been volunteering with NCRC since the pre-pandemic days, she has been an outstanding volunteer mediator on the “virtual” format while helping folks communicate effectively in order to resolve their Small Claims Court disputes on their own terms. Toby helps make San Diego a more civil society!



Universidad Popular

Paula Rucinski

I have been a volunteer with Universidad Popular during the last five years. One of the most rewarding achievements I have experienced as a volunteer is being part of a family and welcoming organization. I am honored to serve my community, working with farmworkers and other community members to receive important services and to learn and grow from many educational programs.



TrueCare

Tess Sangster

Working alongside TrueCare’s dedicated staff and leadership has given me firsthand insight into their exceptional commitment to community health. As Economic Development Director for the City of San Marcos, I understand how vital health and wellness are to our region’s economic prosperity. TrueCare’s unwavering focus on keeping our community healthy makes them an invaluable partner, and I’m honored to advocate for their mission and impact.

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Coastal Roots Farm

Susan Serdar

While volunteering through the past year, I witnessed nothing but a parade of joy at CRF: countless educational programs for all ages, celebrations of every kind, festivals, cultural interactions, and an outstanding organic produce stand, available to all, but most especially to our neighbors in need.



Support the Enlisted Project (STEP)

Toney Shea

Volunteering at STEP has been an incredibly meaningful experience. As someone with family members who have served in the military, the mission of this organization resonates with me. STEP is more than just a nonprofit; it's a dedicated team committed to supporting military families. I'm proud to be part of an organization that truly makes a difference.



The Elizabeth Hospice

Les Sherman

I feel most rewarded with Elizabeth Hospice when I can "help the helpers". The Volunteer Department Staff and the child and adult bereavement counselors are the real heroes. I perform tedious, exacting computer tasks, documenting activities and entering client demographics into the system so the staff can spend more time helping patients, family and the bereaved.

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Carlsbad Educational Foundation

Douglas Smith

When I chaperoned some students to visit JPL, it was amazing that our tour guide was a former student who recognized me and thanked me for my help. Later, while walking across the site, I heard my name called. It was another grateful former robotics member who was an intern there! Small world!



Neighborhood Healthcare

William (Bill) Smith

We all possess the power of philanthropy to drive transformative changes, no matter our income level and reach. It's our privilege and responsibility to demonstrate this while encouraging others to do so. Together, we can ensure Neighborhood Healthcare's mission continues for future generations.



Jacobs & Cushman San Diego Food Bank

Kim Spikes

Kim's proudest moments come from connecting with grateful clients and seeing the real impact of her work. She had no idea how great the need was until volunteering at the pantry, where she now helps fight food insecurity and build meaningful relationships.

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Community Resource Center

Ricka Sprunk

CRC's 2025 Tea embodied the spirit of "never give up". Dedicated staff, talented volunteers, and passionate community supporters proved that when we lift each other up, no challenge is too great. At the heart of it all, the courage and perseverance of CRC's clients remind us why this work matters.



*Coastal Community Foundation,
at San Diego Foundation*

Susan Steele

What inspires me most is giving others the tools to become impactful philanthropists. Through site visits and direct engagement with grantees, we have built lasting connections that deepen our commitment to this work. Drawing on my professional skills, I led the design of the infrastructure that keeps our giving circle healthy, strong, and sustainable for the long term, and have simultaneously made many friends with the same values.



Feeding San Diego

Brenda Stiehl

My most rewarding experience with Feeding San Diego has been helping to create a welcoming and non-judgmental shopping environment in the Feeding San Diego Marketplace, while providing healthy produce and rescued food to neighbors.

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San Diego Futures Foundation

Rachel Trinh

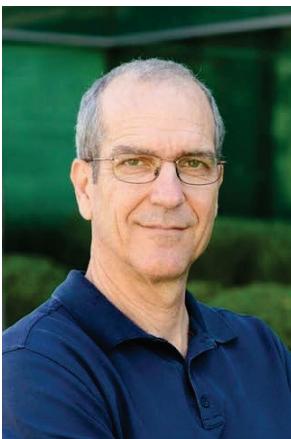
When I first came to SDFF, I was seeking hands-on tech experience—but I gained so much more. Mentoring others who were just entering the field not only strengthened my own skills, but also showed me the powerful impact technology can have on people from all walks of life through our classes and programs. I'm truly grateful to be part of SDFF's mission to uplift the community and bridge the digital divide.



Children's Museum of Discovery

Kimberly Vanderbilt

I'm fortunate to work with the Children's Museum of Discovery to boost children's STEM learning. With CSUSM students, we test new techniques, run pop-up science spaces, and create benefits for exhibits, students, families, and kids' love of science.



Amplified Impact Partners

Tom Watlington

My greatest reward from working with nonprofits has been the inspiration they give me. These organizations work tirelessly to improve the lives of the disadvantaged, abused, and neglected in our community. It's a privilege to help them increase their impact by sharing my professional skills pro bono.

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Meals on Wheels

Richard Wira

Richard began delivering for Meals on Wheels in San Diego 42 years ago. Raised in Cincinnati, Ohio, he was deeply influenced by his mother, who taught her children the value of giving with the phrase, "You reap what you sow." She believed strongly in volunteering for charitable organizations and dreamed of delivering for Meals on Wheels herself. However, with only one family car, she never had the opportunity. That dream lived on in Richard.



Armed Services YMCA

Shirley Yager

Shirley Yager is the Chair of the Governance Committee where she is responsible for the effectiveness and health of the Board and oversees its policies and practices. Shirley also serves on the Public Relations and Communications Committee where she leverages her deep experience in marketing to strengthen the connection to military members and their families, as well as with donors and community partners, to communicate the positive outcomes of the ASYMCA's work and mission, and to build goodwill.



North County LGBTQ Resource Center

Noraa Zenger-Snaer

Watching the teens who attend queer chat develop meaningful connections and community bonds with each other has been a deeply rewarding experience for me. Finding community as a marginalized person, especially as kids and teenagers, is a struggle for many of us, and I am extremely honored to be able to help others that community and support.



Give. Grow. Gather together.

Building a stronger community brings out the best in everyone. Together, we can share more, create more change, and do more good for the places we call home.

North County Philanthropy Council and Volunteers, we are proud to celebrate your commitment and service to the community.

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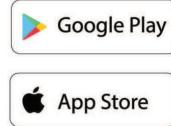
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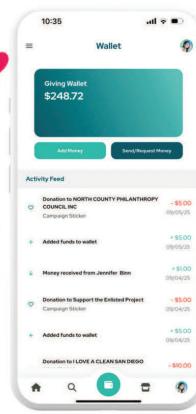
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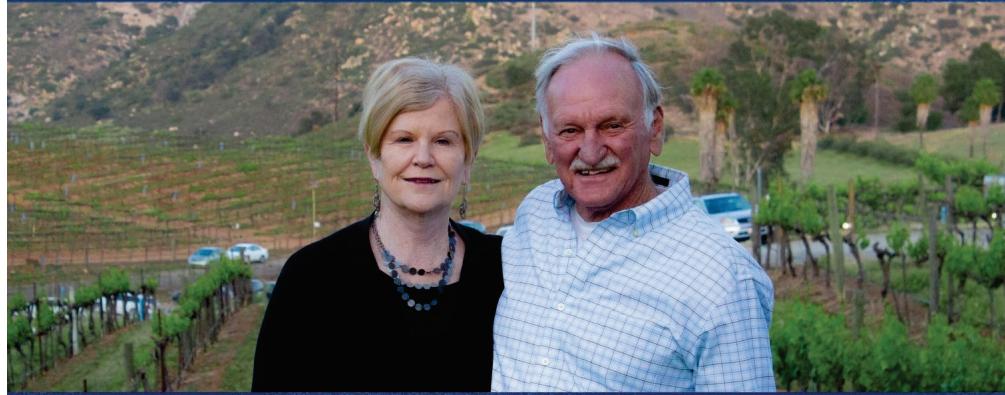
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Jim and Jan Evans, longtime Interfaith

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