CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF GENEROSITY

2021 ANNUAL REPORT
Dear Friends,

In 2022, Stanislaus Community Foundation celebrates our 20th anniversary. While the world certainly looks different today than it did in 2002, our community’s generosity is unwavering. Since our inception, we have provided more than $35 million in grants and scholarships. In 2021 alone, we distributed more than $7M in grants and scholarships in response to community needs.

In addition to increasing our giving in 2021, Stanislaus Community Foundation worked with our generous donors and committed partners to expand our leadership work in education, economic mobility, civic literacy and supporting nonprofits.

• **Boosting Educational Attainment**
  A quality education where every child and young adult has a plan, a path and a purpose is the goal of the Stanislaus Cradle to Career Partnership. Launched in 2018 and led by multiple K-12 districts, CSU Stanislaus, Modesto Junior College, nonprofits and public agencies, the Cradle to Career Partnership is a long-term effort to boost educational outcomes. Stanislaus Community Foundation was proud to serve as a founding partner alongside the Stanislaus County Office of Education, and our funding continues for the strategies emerging from the Cradle to Career Partnership.

• **Supporting Economic Opportunity**
  Creating pathways to prosperity and building new industries is critical if our community is to rebuild a more resilient economy as we move from the pandemic. Stanislaus County’s economy was not working well even before COVID-19. Before the crisis, 66% of individuals living at or below poverty in Stanislaus County were working full-time.

  In late 2021 we launched Stanislaus 2030, a joint collaborative sprint process in partnership with the Stanislaus County Chief Executive Office as well as education and business partners to deliver a large-scale economic development agenda by the summer of 2022.

• **Investing in Civic Engagement**
  We believe a community is as strong as its residents and leaders, and that intentional programs that support leadership capacity are critical to our future. In our civic engagement work, we successfully launched the NextGen on Board program, which trains and matches emergent leaders with nonprofit Boards to serve two-year terms. We supported community journalism through the Media Lab Fund, providing grants to Report for America, a nonprofit partnership with The Modesto Bee, to place trained reporters in ‘media deserts’ like our community.

• **Lifting Up Nonprofits**
  With an eye on building and strengthening our nonprofit partners, we brought together people and organizations through guided grantmaking as well as expedited CARES Act grants to organizations who experienced continued challenges due to COVID. We also created the Profit with Purpose program, graduating 11 nonprofits with new social enterprise plans, supported by local business mentors.

• **Our Commitment**
  As we enter our 20th year, we are clear about the unique role Stanislaus Community Foundation plays in our region. We will convene diverse individuals and organizations to develop bold new partnerships or align existing programs for greater impact. We will catalyze new solutions by funding innovative new projects. We will double down on difficult conversations that are sorely needed at this challenging time. We will invest in the capacity of our local leaders to work alongside residents and tackle our toughest challenges. We will support our youth and help create tables for visionary new leadership.

As we have done since 2002, we will continue to serve our community humbly yet boldly in the years to come.

**In the spirit of generosity,**

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President & CEO
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YEARS OF GIVING

GRANTS
$35,114,444
GRANTED

SCHOLARSHIPS
$2,188,209
AWARDED TO 1617 STUDENTS

ASSET GROWTH OVER THE YEARS

2002
$80,000

2007
$9,371,302

2012
$12,947,136

2017
$30,388,845

2021
$47,037,857

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EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

Youth Voices: Stanislaus Community Foundation invested in youth leadership through an emerging new collaborative: Stanislaus Youth Empowerment Alliance was launched with 50+ active members representing local nonprofits, education, and government. The grounding vision is that all young people in Stanislaus County will have the tools, resources, and connections they need to play a role in their education and career. Stan YEA published the Youth Empowerment Blueprint which sets goals and strategies for elevating youth involvement in our region.

Student Supports: Stanislaus Community Foundation provided grant funds to AbleWorks and Improve Your Tomorrow, two new nonprofits who work closely with high school youth in Modesto and Ceres. Both organizations are embedded in local school districts to provide mentoring and other supports for students. Together both organizations provided 200 under-resourced youth with specialized access to college and career guidance; putting them on a path out of poverty and toward economic mobility.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

New Leadership: With the support of donors Dave and Jeanne Olson, the NextGen on Board program was launched. 17 young leaders were recruited and placed on 16 local nonprofit boards. NextGen Fellows receive monthly training as well as individual coaching from the Youth Leadership Institute.

Civic Literacy: We partnered with Report for America, a national nonprofit, to place several reporters at The Modesto Bee, focused on economy, education, and underserved communities. The new reporters were able to expand The Bee’s coverage of these important issues as the community struggled to emerge from the pandemic.
ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

New Infrastructure: Recognizing that our local community is lacking in the necessary organizational and financial infrastructure to boost new industry and build more entrepreneurs, Stanislaus Community Foundation supported the creation of two new types of organizations: a Community Development Corporation and two Community Development Financial Institutions. Stanislaus Equity Partners, a new Community Development Corporation, was launched and led to a $5M investment from the County Board of Supervisors, to expand affordable housing and micro-enterprise in historically disinvested neighborhoods. Two credit unions, Rolling F Credit Union and Valley First Credit Union received federal CDFI designations in 2021. Both Credit Unions can now secure federal and state funds focused on economic mobility for unbanked and under-banked residents.

Stanislaus 2030: Working in partnership with the Stanislaus County Chief Executive Office and the Board of Supervisors along with business leaders, Stanislaus Community Foundation launched the Stanislaus 2030 initiative in late 2021. Stanislaus 2030 is a 10-month sprint that will deliver a joint strategy and investment plan by summer 2022, for regional economic growth and opportunity in the coming decade. The goals of Stanislaus 2030 are two-fold: build new industries that create quality jobs for Stanislaus residents while creating more supports and business opportunities as well as training pathways to move struggling families to self-sufficiency.

SUPPORTING NONPROFITS

CARES Act Grants: To expedite grants to organizations impacted by the continued disruptions resulting from COVID, we partnered with Stanislaus County to administer a second round of CARES Act funding for seniors and/or veteran serving organizations. A volunteer evaluation committee composed of cross-section of community representatives was part of the selection process. 33 nonprofits received grants totaling $1 million.

Profit with Purpose: In partnership with the Porges Family Foundation, we invested in a partnership with Mission Edge to create Stanislaus County’s first pilot program to build and launch social enterprises. Profit with Purpose, a ten-week accelerator program designed to give nonprofits and mission-driven businesses a step-by-step structure to launch new business ideas that earn revenue and sustain their mission over time. 11 nonprofits participated and the top three, The Food Initiative of Greater Stanislaus, Cricket’s Hope, and The Modesto Gospel Mission received grants to launch their enterprises.

Guided Grantmaking and Donor Services: We expanded our services to local donors and corporations by providing guided grantmaking in new ways. Through these services, individuals, families and corporations are able to articulate their charitable goals, and with support from the Stanislaus Community Foundation team, deploy their dollars in alignment with these goals.

“Stanislaus Community Foundation was instrumental in helping us launch Stanislaus Equity Partners Community Development Corporation. If it wasn’t for their leadership, mentorship, and initial financial commitment we would not be in existence today! They truly are a “Force for good” in our wonderful community!”

Joe Duran, CEO, Stanislaus Equity Partners

“From providing community connections to strategic insight on our community need, we could not have done it without the support of the Community Foundation team.”

Kathryn Davis, President & CEO, Valley First Credit Union

“The Gallo Winery is proud to support the communities where we live and work. We receive many requests from deserving charitable organizations each year. Our partners at the Stanislaus Community Foundation have a profound connection to our local communities, expert knowledge about the most important issues, and they work closely with charitable organizations that make a difference. This partnership has enabled us to focus our philanthropic efforts on what matters most to the people in our communities.”

Michelle Lewis, Vice President, E&J Gallo Winery

“I have a philosophy that has been steadfast over my years: “Know what you don’t know, then hire the best”. I knew little about philanthropy other than signing up for the golf tournament, buying cookies, or the such. Obviously helpful but does that alone “move the needle”? Through the SCF, I’ve learned I knew little about true giving that helps our community at large. They are the experts to which I refer as hiring the best. They opened my eyes to putting my hard-earned dollar to best use, in areas of my specific interests. Moving the needle is their goal...supporting that effort is mine.”

Norm Porges, Porges Family Foundation

“Stanislaus County has directly benefited from the knowledge and leadership of the Stanislaus Community Foundation throughout the COVID-19 emergency response. SCF provided real-time data to identify the areas of greatest need in our community, while leading our evaluation of non-profits in the distribution of $3.4 million in funding to 100 local non-profits serving youth, veterans, and seniors. While SCF is widely recognized for their excellence in grant administration, it is the underlying value system and relentless pursuit of results that we are most thankful for.”

Jody Hayes, CEO, Stanislaus County

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In 2021, Stanislaus Community Foundation managed over $47 million in total charitable assets and distributed more than $7 million in grants and scholarships to the community through more than 175 funds established by generous local individuals, families, and corporations.

We thank our fundholders for using their donor-advised funds to make an impact in our community. To maximize the charitable resources and their impact in our region, Stanislaus Community Foundation advises and encourages donors to give as much as they can as often as they can to those in need. We granted out 15% of our assets which is 3x times the recommended amount.

SCF granted out over 15% of its assets totaling $366,200 in scholarships.

Our fundholders have chosen to invest their charitable assets and give through Stanislaus Community Foundation for many reasons, including stretching the impact of their dollar.

$250 investment with a return of 13.07% = $282.67. More money = more impact.
ABOUT STANISLAUS COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Stanislaus Community Foundation helps individuals, families, and corporations achieve their philanthropy goals by offering tools and resources that make giving easy, flexible, and impactful.

OUR TEAM

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OUR FAMILY OF FUNDS

Agency Funds
American Leadership Forum - Great Valley Chapter, Inc.
Boys & Girls Clubs of Stanislaus County
Center for Human Services
Central California Art Association
Central Valley Professional Exchange
Central West Ballet Fund
City of Modesto Parks & Recreation
Community Hospice Foundation Fund
Education Foundation of Stanislaus County
Friends of the Modesto Salvation Army
Modesto Band of Stanislaus County - General
Modesto Band of Stanislaus County - Instruments
Modesto Band of Stanislaus County - Manzoni
Modesto Fire Dept. Historical Restoration Fund
Modesto Firefighters Training Symposium Fund
Modesto Gateway Rotary Club Foundation Fund
Modesto Police Foundation
Modesto Rotary Club Foundation
Modesto Rotary Club Foundation Endowment
Pattoner Historical Research Foundation
Pattoner Recreation - Wellness, Sports and Fitness Fund
Prospect Theater Project
Sierra Vista Child & Family Fund
St. Luke’s Family Practice
State Theatre of Modesto, Inc.
United Cerebral Palsy Association Fund (Endowment)

Corporate Donor Advised Funds
Boyett Petroleum “Make Dreams Real” Fund
Carton Tractor Family Fund
Oak Valley Community Bank Fund

Designated Funds
Brian LoConte Agricultural (Endowment)
Camp Jack Hazard - “Bart Bennett” Fund (Endowment)
Camp Jack Hazard - “Robert Babington” Fund (Endowment)
Christopher P. Walker Foundation Fund
Donovan & Alberta Bodes Fund
Friends of the Empire Community Pool
Imagination Library Turlock - ABC Project
James McClatchy Local Media Fund
Marie Gallo Scholarship Fund
Modesto Bee Economic Mobility Lab
National Ag Science Center Fund (Endowment)
Nick Chipponeri Family Fund
O & G Green O'Brien's Market Rotary Centennial Junction Fund
William H. Turner & Doris L. Turner Trust Youngheim Family Fund

Donor Advised Funds
Abigail Colby Floyd Memorial Fund
Amador Family DA Fund
Ann M. Venerman Fund
Augusta Fund
AUTHENTIC 209 Community Investment Fund Back 40 Benefaction
Betty Parker Empire Pool Fund
Bill & Nancy Jackson Family Fund
Bill and Sharon Morris Fund
Bowen & Michelle Cardoso Family Foundation
Boyett Family Foundation Fund
Bruce and Grace Valentine Charitable Fund
Cardoza Borbora Family Fund
Carroll Family Foundation Fund
Ciara Chiesa’s Circle of Hope
Clark Family Fund
Community Transitional Resources CTR Coppetti Family Fund
Curtis Legal Group Foundation Fund
Data Path Fund
Deputy Dennis Wallace Kids Soccer Fund Dickerson Family Foundation
Eric and Carol Benson Charitable Fund
Evans Family Fund
Florence Caruso Family Fund
Friedman Family Fund
Gianelli Family Fund
Greater Modesto Area Churches
Grover Family Fund
Gulvin Family Fund
Gunnarson-Duran Charitable Fund
Hagerty Family Fund
Inter/Iwine Group Fund
Iron Otter Fund
Jeff and Barbara Quinn Family Fund
John & Diane Belluzzi Fund
John and Tammy Mayol Family Fund
Johnny Etchebarne’s Nestegg Fund
Johnson-White Fund
Kayla Bernardi Bee Positive Foundation
Layman Family Fund
Lloyd S. & Virginia M. Park Memorial Fund (Endowment)
Martino/Cusenza Family Fund
Matthew’s Vision
Moya Rose Children’s Fund
Michael and Marjorie Zagars Family Fund
Muratore Family Foundation
Nicholson Family Fund
Olson Family Fund
Paul & Melia Harmon Family Fund
Piccinini Pesco Family Fund
Porges Family Foundation
Raspo Family Fund
Robert E. Perry Memorial Fund
Robert Woolley Fund
Ryan Michael Barber Memorial Fund
Sieffkin Family Fund
Strom Family Fund
Tim and Lisa Bettencourt Family Fund
Tony and Linda Miligi Family Fund
Tony Mistlin Youth Fund
TREEmendous Goodwill Foundation
Van Overbeek Family Fund

Field of Interest Funds
Focus on Prevention
James McClatchy Bee Disadvantaged Youth Fund (Endowment)
John and Cherri Phillips Fund
NOZ Fund
Stanislaus Health Careers Fund
Victoria Higghebotham

Scholarship Funds
AAUW Oakdale-Riverbank Escalon(ORE) Scholarship Fund
Alpha Epsilon-Chapter Delta Kappa Gamma Educator Scholarship
Amador Family Scholarship Fund
Arthur T. and Corrinda K. Shields Scholarship Fund
Beyer High School Athletich Scholarship Fund
Bob Boggeri Farms Fund
Chilton Society Scholarship Fund
Club of Hearts Scholarship Fund
David W. Moore Memorial Scholarship Fund
Don Hendricks Memorial FFA Scholarship
Dr. Grant E. & Colleen Bare Scholarship
Dr. Larry Cooke Memorial Scholarship
Early Pride Scholarship (Endowment)
Edward T. Taylor Jr. Perpetual Memorial
Elizabeth Jane Smyth Memorial Scholarship
Evelyn Harshaw Scholarship Fund
First Tee of Central Valley Scholarship Fund
Gemerle Family Farms Scholarship Fund
George A. Rogers Neighborhood Park Scholarship Fund
James McClatchy Bee Employees Scholarship Fund
Jane Wynne Woolley Memorial Scholarship Fund
Jim & Betty Lilly Scholarship Fund
Judy Wiegman Scholarship Fund
Latino Business Assoc.
Loving Jags Scholarship Fund
Maralyn J. Stewart Memorial Scholarship
Martella Family Scholarship Fund
Mary Grogan Scholarship Fund
Melinda Nielsen Family Scholarship Fund
Rose Family Scholarship Fund
Ryan Dickerson Scholarship Fund
Sammy Jenkins Math Scholarship Fund
Stanislaus Futures Scholarship Fund
Tuolomne Scholarship Fund
Zwahlen Family Scholarship Fund

Unrestricted Funds
Bette Belle & Jean Smith Memorial Fund
McClatchy Discretionary Fund (Unrestricted Endowment/Residue)
OUR VISION
Stanislaus County is a community of choice where people live, work and thrive.

OUR VALUES
We build community through collaboration. We help donors craft impactful charitable legacies. We view our community through a lens of abundance, not scarcity. We cultivate trusted relationships by being a joy to work with. We embrace the diversity of the region through inclusive leadership. We encourage bold thinking to solve systemic problems.

OUR MISSION
We nurture partnerships and grow charitable resources to advance the common good in Stanislaus County.

WE CAN HELP WITH
- Year-End Tax Solutions
- Donor Advised Funds
- Scholarship Funds
- Corporate Giving Programs
- Charitable Gift Annuities
- Required Minimum Distributions
- Complex Charitable Gifts

CONNECT WITH US AND STAY UP TO DATE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR!