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LATINO COMMUNITY FOUNDATION | GRANTEES



MOTIVATING INDIVIDUAL LEADERSHIP FOR PUBLIC ADVANCEMENT (MILPA)

MILPA provides culturally-rooted leadership development and entrepreneurship opportunities that build community power, promote upward mobility, and focus on systemic change. LCF invested in MILPA to offer trauma-informed, youth leadership development to reduce community violence by promoting cultural assets, community wellness and civic engagement.



FATHERS & FAMILIES OF SAN JOAQUIN (FFSJ)

Focusing on the redemptive power of hope and community, FFSJ promotes the spiritual, economic, and social renewal of Stockton's most vulnerable youth and their families. FFSJ promotes positive family images and offers culturally-rooted, healing centered programs that build healthier communities. LCF and the SF Latino Men's Giving Circle invested in FFSJ to offer transformational youth development and civic engagement in Stockton.



MERCED ORGANIZING PROJECT (MOP)

MOP is a multicultural grassroots organization made up of local congregations, nonprofits and community leaders committed to the transformation of the Latino community in Merced. MOP develops and equips local leaders to actively engage in the public arena and to build political power. LCF invested in MOP to engage Latino youth in community organizing and culturally-rooted violence prevention strategies.



CENTRO BINACIONAL PARA EL DESARROLLO INDIGENA OAXAQUEÑO (CBDIO)

CBDIO serves the growing indigenous migrant communities from Mexico that reside in the Central Valley by strengthening their economic, social, and cultural inclusion. CBDIO promotes indigenous culture, facilitates critical access to social services, translation services, and leadership opportunities. LCF invested in CBDIO to offer trauma-informed arts education and community organizing that reduces isolation and domestic and community violence.



DOLORES HUERTA FOUNDATION

The Dolores Huerta Foundation is rooted in the agricultural communities of California's Central Valley with the mission of organizing, training, and empowering Latino leaders in low-income immigrant communities to build political power for long-term systemic change. LCF invested in the Dolores Huerta Foundation to recruit, train, and deploy Parent Promotores that educate local families about health issues, provide guidance in accessing resources, and promote a culture of civic engagement.



NORTH BAY ORGANIZING PROJECT (NBOP)

NBOP unites, educates, and builds the leadership of diverse and low-income Latino community members to address inequity and structural issues in Sonoma County. NBOP is building grassroots political power for social, economic, racial, and environmental justice. LCF and the SF Latina Giving Circle invested in North Bay Organizing Project to support grassroots organizing efforts aimed at building a culture of civic engagement in Sonoma's Latino communities.



NUESTRA CASA OF EAST PALO ALTO

Although Silicon Valley is a center of innovation and wealth, just miles away is East Palo Alto, a Latino community with stark differences in health and education outcomes. Nuestra Casa empowers parents to become leaders and advocates to improve their economic mobility. LCF invested in Nuestra Casa to train and deploy Parent Promotores that help families access health resources, create a culture of health and wellness and promote civic engagement.



MI FAMILIA VOTA CALIFORNIA (MFV)

MFV is a civic engagement organization that organizes Latino community members and advocates around social and economic issues impacting the Latino community, including comprehensive immigration reform, education, healthcare, workers' rights, the environment, and voter rights. LCF, the SF Latina Giving Circle and the Peninsula Latina Giving Circle invested in MFV to support voter registration and Get-out-the-Vote efforts throughout California.



SERVICES, IMMIGRANT RIGHTS AND EDUCATION NETWORK (SIREN)

SIREN empowers low-income immigrants and refugees in Santa Clara County through community organizing, leadership development, policy advocacy, and naturalization services. SIREN focuses on immigrants themselves as the primary agents of change in their communities. LCF and the Peninsula Latina Giving Circle invested in SIREN to support civic engagement, voter registration, and grassroots organizing efforts in Santa Clara County.



SANTA CRUZ BARRIOS UNIDOS

Santa Cruz Barrios Unidos's goal is to transform the Latino barrios of Santa Cruz into peaceful and prosperous communities where human and financial resources are fully developed and utilized for the individual and social well-being of all members of society. LCF invested in Santa Cruz Barrios Unidos to use the “La Cultura Cura” (culture cures) framework to engage and empower Latino youth to fulfill their highest potential and to promote holistic culture of health.



MISSION GRADUATES (MG)

MG is building a college-going culture in San Francisco's Mission District. MG provides academic enrichment programs that help increase the number of students who are prepared for and complete college. LCF invested in MG to reduce unplanned teenage pregnancies by supporting the training of Latino Health Parent Promotores who deliver workshops (or “charlas”) on sexual education and provide other Latino parents with the tools and confidence to talk to their teens about healthy relationships, safe sex, and building a pathway to college.



YOUTH ALLIANCE

Youth Alliance strives to create thriving and equitable communities through comprehensive, innovative, and culturally relevant programs that equip Latino youth and their families to become change agents. LCF invested in Youth Alliance to support culturally-rooted youth leadership development programs that help to reduce unplanned teenage pregnancies by training peer educators to utilize the “La Cultura Cura” framework and to support teen parents through the La Familia program, the only program of its kind for Latino teen parents in San Benito County.



THE LATINO COMMISSION

The Latino Commission helps Latinos improve their quality of life by providing culturally-competent services through residential and outpatient substance abuse treatment, health education, youth empowerment, and prevention programs. LCF invested in The Latino Commission to support their Xinachtli program, an indigenous female rites of passage curriculum from the “La Cultura Cura” framework. The program engages young women from the farmworker community of Cutler-Orosi, helping to reduce teenage pregnancy and promote a culture of health.



CALIFORNIA LATINAS FOR REPRODUCTIVE JUSTICE (CLRJ)

CLRJ is a statewide organization committed to building the power of Latinas and helping them cultivate leadership through community education, policy advocacy, and community-informed research to achieve reproductive justice. LCF invested in CLRJ to launch a Bay Area chapter and to co-host a policy training for LCF’s Central Valley partners working on reproductive justice and youth empowerment.



FAMILIAS UNIDAS

Familias Unidas works to improve wellness and self-sufficiency in Latino communities and beyond by delivering quality mental health counseling, service advocacy, and information/referral services in Richmond. LCF invested in Familias Unidas to offer comprehensive sexual services and to offer “La Cultura Cura” rites of passage programs for young Latino men and women.



CENTRO LEGAL DE LA RAZA

Centro Legal de la Raza is a comprehensive legal services agency protecting and advancing the rights of immigrant, low-income, and Latino communities through bilingual legal representation, education, and advocacy. By combining quality legal services with know-your-rights education and youth development, they promote access to justice for thousands of individuals and families each year throughout the East Bay region. The Pleasanton Latina Giving Circle invested in Centro Legal de la Raza to provide legal representation to young immigrants and to help support Tri-Valley DACA eligible students.



CHICANO LATINO YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROJECT (CLYLP)

CLYLP is a leadership development program for students to participate in California's economic, social, and political development. CLYLP is guided by the overall theme "California's Future Leaders" and their leadership training emphasizes the importance of culture, community, college, and careers for youth across the state. LCF and the Pleasanton Latina Giving Circle invested in CLYLP to provide students the opportunity to network and develop skills to help them succeed at the college level and beyond.



CHICANA LATINA FOUNDATION (CLF)

CLF is a Latina-led organization deeply rooted in the needs and aspirations of the Latino community. CLF has been at the forefront of providing scholarships and leadership development opportunities to undocumented and underrepresented Latina students. CLF is focused on preparing the next cadre of Latina leaders working to create change in the areas of education, health, STEM, water rights, immigration and the arts. The SF Latina Giving Circle invested in CLF to launch an alumnae program for CLF scholarship recipients.



COMMUNITIES UNITED FOR RESTORATIVE YOUTH JUSTICE (CURYJ)

CURYJ interrupts the cycles of violence and poverty by motivating and empowering young people that have been impacted directly and indirectly by the criminal justice system. CURYJ works with youth to make positive changes in their lives and to prepare them to become the community leaders of today. They provide culturally-rooted training to elevate youth voice and power. The SF Latino Men's Giving Circle invested in CURYJ to provide trauma informed healing and policy training that empowers Latino boys in Oakland.



DIGITAL NEST

Digital NEST (Nurturing Entrepreneurial Skills with Technology) provides Latino youth with access to digital technology and equips them with the skills they need to enter higher education, start businesses and careers, and compete in the 21st century job market. The Latinos in Tech Giving Circle invested in Digital NEST to support their bizNEST program to help youth achieve practical career readiness by providing them with paid work as tech consultants in their own communities.



EDUCATIONAL COALITION FOR HISPANICS IN OAKLAND (ECHO)

ECHO promotes and provides Latino students and their families with the necessary tools to achieve academic success in all areas of their educational careers, teach and inform them about their rights and responsibilities in public education, and help them develop leadership skills to become effective leaders of their communities. The East Bay Latina Giving Circle invested in ECHO to support their Latino Student Honor Roll program in Oakland.



EDUCA2, INC.

Educa2 equips Latino children with innovative skills to succeed in school and in life, and empowers parents to actively engage in their education. They are committed to a more equitable distribution of opportunity and voice within the educational system and beyond. The SF Latina, SF Latino Men's, and Peninsula Latina Giving Circles all invested in Educa2 to support their mission and to engage more Latino families in Educa2 afterschool programs.



EMPODER

Empoder empowers under-resourced Latino communities through holistic and comprehensive engineering and computer science education programs, and in doing so, help close the income gap by increasing the number of Latinos who pursue careers in tech. The Latinos in Tech Giving Circle invested in Empoder to execute the Empower Girls through Code Summer Intensive programs.



HOMIES ORGANIZING THE MISSION TO EMPOWER YOUTH (HOMEY)

HOMEY provides culturally-rooted leadership development, academic support, and job skills training to San Francisco's Latino youth. HOMEY empowers Latino youth to become change agents in their own communities and to follow their aspirations. The SF Latino Men's Giving Circle invested in HOMEY to transform the lives of high-risk Latino youth and inspire them to not only choose a path of education, self-sufficiency, and non-violence, but also strive towards physical, mental, and emotional wellbeing.



LATINA COALITION OF SILICON VALLEY

Latina Coalition of Silicon Valley provides Latinas with civic engagement and leadership development in Silicon Valley. They identify and heighten awareness about issues that disproportionately affect the Latino community through educational forums, lectures, workshops, and events. The SF Latina and Peninsula Latina Giving Circles invested in Latina Coalition of Silicon Valley to support civic engagement and grassroots organizing efforts in Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties.



KIDS' VISION

Kids' Vision provides girls in 3rd to 6th grade the skills and knowledge that will help them deal with the gender filters that keeps them from pursuing STEM. In addition, girls learn how STEM is applied by some of Silicon Valley's companies, while they code stories, practice math and learn leadership skills. The Latinos in Tech Giving Circle invested in Kids' Vision to support the mentorship and educational programs for girls to pursue a STEM related career.



LATINAS IN STEM TO ACHIEVE SUCCESS (LISTAS)

LISTAS encourages and motivates girls to prepare for professional careers that they have traditionally been underrepresented in. They are making a concerted effort in encouraging young girls to enter the fields of STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) and management. The Pleasanton Latina Giving Circle invested in LISTAS to support their leadership programs to increase the number of Latinas in STEM and Management fields and to increase attendance at their annual conference.



MOBILIZE THE IMMIGRANT VOTE (MIV)

MIV amplifies the voices of low-income immigrant and refugees by building voting power to improve living conditions and achieve systems change across California. MIV's reach is broadened through collaboration with numerous community-based immigrant rights and refugee organizations as well as networks across California. The Latinos in Tech Giving Circle invested in Mobilize the Immigrant Vote to support civic engagement and grassroots organizing efforts in Latino communities.



PROSPERA

Prospera partners with low-income Latinas so they can achieve economic prosperity through cooperative business ownership. With the support of their programs, women cultivate their leadership abilities, grow successful businesses, become skilled co-op developers, and transform their communities. The East Bay Latina Giving Circle invested in Prospera to support the year-long fellowship program that trains low-income Latina worker owners to become coop developers in the East Bay.



PENINSULA FAMILY CONNECTIONS

Peninsula Family Connections provides educational services to low-income families including tuition-free parent participation preschool, parent education, and links to community services as well as support to children and their parents throughout K-12. They build a path to achievement and give families the tools and resources they need for success. The Peninsula Latina Giving Circle invested in Peninsula Family Connections to support the education of Latino youth in San Mateo County.



PUENTE DE LA COSTA SUR

PUENTE provides vital services for Latino families in the rural unincorporated towns of the South Coast, that are most Mexican nursery workers and farmworkers and their families. PUENTE advocates and leverages resources that create economic prosperity and promote holistic family wellness. The Peninsula Latina Giving Circle invested in PUENTE to support and empower Latina women in Pescadero.



PUERTAS ABIERTAS COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER

Puertas Abiertas works together with Latinos in Napa Valley to inspire and achieve healthy living, self-sufficiency, and opportunities for leadership and community engagement. To reach these goals, they adapt and realign services with partners to meet the most pressing needs of the underserved community in Napa's farmworker community. The SF Latina Giving Circle invested in Puertas Abiertas to support the Spanish Summer Language Institute for children ages 3 to 6.



SHOP WITH A COP FOUNDATION OF SILICON VALLEY

Shop with a Cop Foundation of Silicon Valley provides innovative academic motivation and assistance to disenfranchised children who have suffered a traumatic crisis or loss of a parent due to violence. Their philosophy is to provide a positive interaction with local police officers and to change perceptions in hopes of having safer communities. The Peninsula Latina Giving Circle invested in Shop with a Cop Foundation of Silicon Valley to support the Readers & Leaders Program increasing literacy of elementary school children in San Jose.



SAN FRANCISCO RISING ALLIANCE

San Francisco Rising Alliance is a vibrant young electoral alliance that builds the political power of working class communities of color in San Francisco. Members seek to build a new, community-based, political infrastructure and to make lasting change on a broad set of issues impacting their communities. The Latinos in Tech Giving Circle invested in San Francisco Rising Alliance to support civic engagement and grassroots organizing efforts in the San Francisco Bay Area.



SOMOS FAMILIA

Somos Familia supports Latino families with children who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or queer (LGBTQ) and provides education to create family and community acceptance. The SF Latina and the East Bay Latina Giving Circle invested in Somos Familia to support Latino families with LGBTQ children and to conduct education creating family and community acceptance.



BAY AREA GARDENERS SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION (BAGSF)

BAGSF provides scholarships and mentorship to students in the Bay Area facing significant financial barriers to educational attainment. Many of the recipients juggle family, work, school, while being the first in their families to go to college. LCF's Gala Fund-a-Need campaign supported BAGSF and recognized Catalino Tapia, Founder, as Trailblazer in Philanthropy Awardee. LCF invested in their mission of providing mentorship and financial support to Latino youth in pursuit of higher education.



CDTECH

CDTech is a catalyst for transforming South LA by activating and focusing the potential of residents and businesses. They equip community residents with the training, strategies, and programs they need to be leaders and organizers for neighborhood improvement and economic growth. LCF's Gala Fund-a-Need campaign invested in CDTech to support Latino students in South Los Angeles with mentorship, leadership development, and job training.



CARECEN SF

CARECEN SF empowers Central Americans and all immigrants by defending human and civil rights, working for social and economic justice, and promoting cultural diversity. Located in the heart of the Mission District, CARECEN has been at the forefront of defending SF as a sanctuary city and has since held onto the commitment of providing a safe haven for families and youth. LCF's Gala Fund-a-Need campaign supported CARECEN to provide culturally rooted youth leadership development in the Mission District of San Francisco.



LATINO FAMILY FUND DE GILROY

Latino Family Fund de Gilroy is a philanthropic group providing generational empowerment to significantly impact the Latino community. LCF's Gala Fund-a-Need campaign supported Latino Family Fund de Gilroy to empower Latinos as philanthropists, instill philanthropy in youth, and advance local causes and community rooted solutions in Gilroy.



GOOD SAMARITAN FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Good Samaritan addresses the needs of low-income Latino immigrant families through a two-generation strategy that involves children and their parents/caregivers. LCF invested in Good Samaritan to ensure that children have access to the educational and development opportunities they deserve to succeed in life, and equip parents with the confidence, knowledge, and tools to support their children's success.



LOS ANGELES UNITED FUTBOL ACADEMY (LAUFA)

LAUFA uses soccer as a platform to entice and inspire scholar-athletes from Los Angeles to not just stay in school, but to excel in school and build a foundation that will allow them to be leaders. LCF invested in LAUFA to provide youth and their families in Los Angeles County with a premier soccer and leadership development experience, regardless of socio-economic standing.



HISPANIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF SONOMA COUNTY

The mission of the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce is to promote and support Sonoma County businesses with a commitment towards creating a healthy business environment through education, civic, and economic programs. They are an association of individuals and businesses with the mission to build bridges and grow business opportunities. LCF invested in the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Sonoma County to support the 10,000 Degrees Scholarship Program for low income first generation college students.

If you would like to connect to or learn more about any of our LCF Grantees - please email **Masha V. Chernyak** at mchernyak@latinocf.org