# NAPA VALLEY

**COMMUNITY FOUNDATION** 

How you helped us make a difference in 2008



**Investing in educational equity.** Fifty middle and high school students from low-income families took part in a school-based program to learn how to become effective thinkers and engaged citizens, and increase their chances of going to college. The Youth Leadership Academies program weaves classroom instruction, college and career planning, and rigorous leadership training into each school day.

Three things you should know: Nearly 50 percent of the high school seniors in this program were eligible to enroll in California's four-year public universities, compared to less than ten percent of their Latino peers. Our \$15,000 in seed funding helped attract another \$300,000 in foundation and government grants. Youth Leadership Academies has doubled in size and now serves 120 students.



Enhanced quality of life for older adults. Family Service of Napa Valley (FSNV) responded to the need for mental health services among a rapidly-growing population of low-income elderly in Napa County. FSNV designed a program that goes beyond traditional one-on-one counseling, and also provides home visits by a therapist, as well as group sessions at senior living and activity sites around Napa County.

Three things you should know: Our region is expected to see a 99 percent growth in the older-adult population by 2030. FSNV used our funding to provide 200 seniors with mental health services free of charge, or for a nominal fee. Our grants have been a catalyst for other foundations and government agencies to invest an additional \$500,000.

Creative play for autistic children. At Irene M. Snow Elementary School in Napa, an innovative afterschool program was developed to help autistic kids learn communication skills and how to interact with their peers. Integrated Play Groups (IPGs) pair autistic and non-autistic children in structured activities, such as games and role-playing, that are specially crafted to foster positive social behavior.

Three things you should know: All youngsters, both autistic and not, who participate in IPGs show improvements in play and socialization. Autism is the fastest-growing developmental disability in the United States and affects one in 150 births. This is the only community-based intervention program for autistic elementary school children in Napa County.

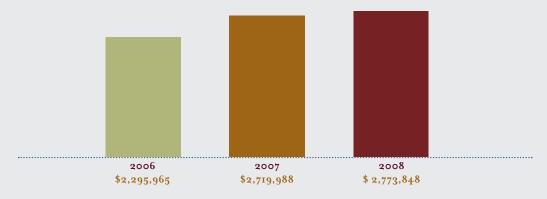


### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

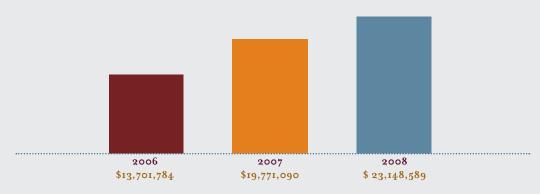
With help from you and others Napa Valley Community Foundation distributed nearly \$2.8 million in grants last year. Some 95 percent of these grants went to charitable programs in Napa County. Funding areas included: education, youth development, arts and culture, social justice, recreation and human services.



### Donor Receipts<sup>1</sup>



## Grants Made & Agency Transfers<sup>2</sup>



#### Total Assets

Audited financials for fiscal years ending June 30. All figures include CFNV Charitable Real Estate Fund.

¹Gifts received and funds held as agent. ²Grant distributions and transfers from funds held as agent for local nonprofits.

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