

## Napa Valley Community Foundation

# ENGINE FOR GOOD

### 2019 Community Impact Funds

#### **INVEST IN YOUTH**

We believe that all young people have the potential to become confident and contributing adults. However, while gifts and talents are evenly distributed, access and opportunities are not.

The In School & Out of School Fund (ISOS) has been leveling the playing field since 2007. Since inception, we've invested \$1.1 million in nonprofits and public agencies, helping 20,000 students build academic and leadership skills to take them from preschool to college.

2019 IMPACT: \$125,000 IN GRANTS

 6,100 learners and future leaders served by educational and youth development programs

2020 GOAL: \$240,000



Leticia arrived from Mexico before 6th grade, without a word of English or a single friend. Daily summer sessions in the Aim High program, funded by NVCF, brought her supportive friends and teachers whose one-on-one coaching helped her understand class materials and activities. When she started at Silverado Middle School last August, she felt well-prepared academically and empowered to self-advocate when she didn't understand. Leticia credits Aim High for boosting her confidence and helping her raise her grades from Cs and Fs to As and Bs.

#### FIGHT POVERTY

We believe that our Valley is only as strong as its most vulnerable residents. Unfortunately, significant barriers – like the high cost of housing – stand in the way of local families' ability to thrive.

The **Strong Communities Fund** helps our Valley neighbors meet their basic needs. Since inception in 2007, we've granted nearly \$1.8 million to provide safety net services to more than 20,000 people.

2019 IMPACT: \$40,000 IN GRANTS

• 1,600 low-income families built assets for the future

2020 GOAL: \$75,000

Ana is a survivor of domestic violence who lives in a shelter with her three children, working as often as she is able. Her case manager at On the Move's McPherson Family Resource Center



introduced her to the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Clinic, funded by NVCF. Using her refund, Ana bought a used car to take her children to school and doctor's appointments. The car also helps her work more hours to increase the family's income.

The **Napa Valley Housing Fund** helps create affordable rental units for the Valley's workforce. Since 2017, we've granted \$2.4 million to build new below-market-rate apartments and accelerate adoption of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs).

2019 IMPACT: \$335,000 INVESTED

- 16 cities in Napa and Sonoma adopted improved ADU rules with NVCF help and leadership
- 4 focus groups informed an ADU market study
- 1 website, workbook, and cost calculator created for homeowners

2020 GOAL: \$1 MILLION



NVCF spent 2019 in the R&D phase of a new program that will increase the supply of affordable housing by promoting ADUs. Funding helped us to understand the barriers that prevent residents from building ADUs and to develop services and tools aimed at overcoming those barriers. This year we are launching the Napa Sonoma ADU Center, which will offer pre-construction resources, like feasibility assessments, as well as tools to help homeowners move

forward in creating ADUs, like a cost calculator, a website and a step-by-step ADU workbook. Our goal is to help 1,000 homeowners build new ADUs in the two counties by 2025.

#### CHAMPION COMMUNITY

We believe that our community and our democracy are more vibrant when everyone participates in the decisions we make about our future. But all too often, certain segments of our population face obstacles to civic engagement – like the lack of affordable legal services to obtain citizenship.

The One Napa Valley Initiative Fund (ONVI)

launched in 2013 to provide immigrant legal services and pathways for local immigrants to become fully engaged in Napa Valley's future. Since inception, nearly \$2.2 million has helped 6,700 people receive legal services and enabled 1,420 Napa residents to become U.S. citizens.

2019 IMPACT: \$150.000 IN GRANTS

· 900 free legal consultations

• 600 applicants for citizenship and immigration benefits

2020 GOAL: \$210,000



Octavio came from Mexico in his early twenties and has worked at the same winery for nearly 30 years, building a strong family life in the Valley. He was a legal permanent resident dreaming of citizenship for years but was daunted by the expensive, complicated naturalization process. The Citizenship Legal Services collaborative (CLS), funded by NVCF, helped him to apply for citizenship and to study for the interview and exam. After Octavio was sworn in as a U.S. citizen, CLS helped him to petition for his wife's permanent

residency, allowing the family, including their two children, to travel to Mexico and meet their extended family for the very first time.

#### LEADERSHIP FUND

The Leadership Fund supports and strengthens all of NVCF's work to invest in youth, champion community, and fight poverty. It enables NVCF to attract and retain skilled leadership and staff in a competitive labor market, adopt new technology, look ahead to emerging needs and fund site visits, research, and community conversations.

2019 IMPACT: \$285,000 INVESTED

from the Fund to support Napa Valley Community Foundation in granting more than \$4.6 million dollars.

2020 GOAL: \$350,000



