



## Morgan Hill Community Foundation Celebrates Outstanding Philanthropists and Volunteers

The Morgan Hill Community Foundation (MHCF) welcomes a wide range of philanthropists and volunteers to be honored at this year’s annual philanthropy celebration, scheduled for Nov. 9, at the Morgan Hill Community & Cultural Center. This year’s theme, “Celebrating People & Philanthropy in Our Community,” focuses attention on people who make such an important difference to the nonprofit organizations that they support. MHCF will showcase each honoree equally for outstanding contributions, exemplifying generosity, selflessness and, sometimes, sacrifice.

This year’s full list of “Outstanding Philanthropists and Volunteers” and featured nonprofits:

Air for Paws	Jan Dean
All Animal Rescue & Friends	Laura Gonzalez
American Association of University Women	Jenny Redfern
Boys & Girls Clubs of Silicon Valley	Craig Waterman
City of Morgan Hill	Mayor Steve Tate
City of Morgan Hill Youth Action Council	Gisselle Rodriguez
Community Law Enforcement Foundation	Craig van Keulen
CordeValle Youth Golf Foundation	Laurie Barke
Edward Boss Prado Foundation	Geri Georgetti
Healthier Kids Foundation	Rosy Bergin
Italian Catholic Federation #435	John Sorci
Learning and Loving Education Center	Sister Rachela Silvestri, DC RN
Magical Bridge Playground in Morgan Hill	Shirlee Locicero
Lewy Body Dementia Awareness and Research	Robin Shepherd
Morgan Hill Chamber of Commerce	Dan Keith
Morgan Hill Downtown Association	Cliff Dennet
Morgan Hill Historical Society	Leah DeLane
Morgan Hill Public Library	Nicholas Borina
Morgan Hill Sister Cities	Pier Antonucci and Amy Whelan
Pine Ridge Association	Uniformed Volunteers at Henry Coe State Park
Poppy Jasper Film Festival	Mattie Scariott
Rotary Club of Morgan Hill	Rachel Hill
San Martin Chamber of Commerce	Connie Ludewig
South Valley Symphony	Chris Hopwood

Philanthropy Night honorees come from any nonprofit in Morgan Hill that wishes to honor a person, company or group that has made a significant contribution to the nonprofit in the current calendar year. A participating nonprofit may select its honoree based on many possible reasons, including a person/group has volunteered for

many hours or provided financial support. The nonprofits determine the criteria appropriate for its group, thereby making it a fair consideration no matter how small or large the nonprofit is. It is a fun evening when the community can celebrate together, with the evening all culminating as greater than the sum of the parts that go into hosting the event.

By supporting the honorees, philanthropy, and the MHCF through this event, guests are directly contributing to the Foundation's grants and philanthropy programs in the coming year, as well as continuing the MHCF's ability to serve as a fiscal sponsor to so many great nonprofits in town. For a full list of MHCF partners who earn their nonprofit status through the Foundation, please visit: <http://morganhillcf.org/partnership1.htm>.

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