



STATEMENT OF MISSION, VISION & PRINCIPLES

MISSION

Our mission is to promote and strengthen community foundations in California. Through collaboration and shared learning among member foundations and building partnerships with private and public entities, we strengthen philanthropy and support building healthy communities throughout California.

VISION STATEMENT

Together we support and sustain vibrant communities.

We are an effective sustainable network of community foundations working individually and at a statewide level to strengthen links between local community needs and the resources available to address them.

PRINCIPLES

As a voluntary association of independent community foundations, the League of California Community Foundations is committed to the fundamental philosophy that local involvement in the use of philanthropic resources is a key tool for effective community-building and problem-solving. Members of the League hold a shared commitment to the following set of principles:

- The League supports and advocates for policies that encourage private philanthropy and private giving for the public good.
- The League aims to foster collegial relations among its members in order to support one another and to advance philanthropy in California.
- The League believes that the advancement of the community foundation field facilitates the advancement of individual community foundations.
- The League serves as an information resource, helping existing community foundations reach the highest level of philanthropic performance and organizational integrity.

- The League serves as a vehicle to represent the interests of community foundations at the state level, educating and informing policymakers and regulators about community foundations and their philanthropic missions.
- The League serves as a representative and conduit to the Council on Foundations and other national dialogues on issues of philanthropy.
- Community foundations support the adhering to and sustaining of national standards as fundamental to achieving the highest level of excellence in all aspects of their work.