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## Vision & Mission

### Vision

We want a safe and peaceful world, one without the threat of destruction. We want a healthy world, one without disease and without pollution of our air, water and land, and one in which all species have the ability to survive and flourish.

### Mission

We invest in causes where high-impact, leverageable activities can result in a safer and healthier world. Using whatever means are most effective, we work to solve significant problems and issues that place individuals, the world community, and the world itself at risk.

[www.kirschfoundation.org](http://www.kirschfoundation.org)

## Letter from Founders and President/CEO



“ **Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.** ”

-Helen Adams Keller,  
Author

### *To Our Friends, Colleagues and Partners,*

No one ever said change was easy. From day one, the Kirsch Foundation's mission has been to effect change on a global scale by tackling challenging and sometimes controversial issues. Even in our infancy we were wise enough to recognize that with such lofty ambitions, an insular approach would not get us far. That is why we have made substantial effort in our seven years to forge partnerships that could help us achieve our goals. From seeking out existing organizations that share our vision to helping with the creation of new collaborations, working with others has been our key to making progress.

Whether engaged in grantmaking or advocacy in our core focus areas - San Joaquin Valley air quality and nuclear nonproliferation - we have worked side-by-side with colleague organizations toward a common vision: improving the world in which we live. While only limited resources were devoted toward the issues of embryonic stem cell research and campaign finance reform, we remained committed to those causes through coalition-style efforts.

This past year, our partnerships continued to be strategic and effective due, in no small part, to our talented and passionate staff. Susan, May, and Connie were highly successful in furthering the Foundation's agenda by cultivating relationships with individuals and nonprofit entities who share our vision for a safer, healthier world. Additionally, Foundation Board members Perry Olson and Bill Johnson were engaged and thoughtful partners while helping us navigate the evolution of our priorities and strategic plan.

In this annual report, we highlight two of the Foundation's core values that have been the hallmark of our collaborative efforts: 1) granting money in partnership with other funders and 2) pursuing our public policy agenda through active lobbying, in coalition, at all levels of government. Our grantmaking and dedication to public policy have helped to establish partnerships like the Central Valley Air Quality (CVAQ) Coalition and the Arms Control Advocacy Collaborative (AC<sup>2</sup>), which are now recognized and respected players in the California clean air and global nonproliferation fields, respectively.

We have also enjoyed a long-lasting partnership with Community Foundation Silicon Valley (CFSV). As a supporting foundation of CFSV, we receive tremendous support from the organization and particularly its President, Peter Hero, to tackle our multi-faceted agenda while remaining rooted in Silicon Valley and maintaining our commitment to the local community. We look ahead with excitement and optimism as CFSV merges with Peninsula Community Foundation to become the Silicon Valley Community Foundation, and we are eager to foster our existing relationship.

Change is never easy, but then nothing worth fighting for ever has been. Over the years, we have learned that fighting alone is not likely to result in significant progress. We thank all of our friends and partners who have helped us strive for change and achieve success. Together we will continue to create a safer and healthier world.

Sincerely,

**Steven T. Kirsch**  
Co-Founder & Board Chairman

**Michèle van Blitter Kirsch**  
Co-Founder

**Kathleen Gwynn**  
President & CEO

# The San Joaquin Valley: Our Commitment

During the past year, California's San Joaquin Valley once again ranked nationally as one of the worst regions for air pollution. The situation has grown more urgent with increasing numbers of children suffering from asthma, adults plagued by respiratory ailments, and thousands dying prematurely due to particulate matter pollution.

Since 2003, the Kirsch Foundation has actively lobbied as part of statewide and regional coalitions to improve air quality in the San Joaquin Valley as well as provided grants to organizations fighting for clean air. Polluted air affects the quality of life for all of the Valley's residents - economically, socially, and in terms of public health - particularly for low-income communities and communities of color.

From establishing and helping to maintain long-lasting, thriving partnerships, we have learned that our unique approach and distinctive voice has helped to build successful collaborations and bridge gaps between and among advocates and funders who are working toward the same goals.

The citizens of the San Joaquin Valley have a right to breathe air that is safe and we will continue to do our part to ensure that entitlement is realized.

“*We do not inherit the Earth from our parents, we borrow it from our children.*”

-Antoine de Saint-Exupery,  
Author



## Air Quality Partnerships

### Central Valley Air Quality (CVAQ) Coalition

We have remained an active member of the Central Valley Air Quality (CVAQ) Coalition, made up of environmental, community, public health and environmental justice organizations and individuals from the San Joaquin Valley and around the state working to improve the region's air. The CVAQ Coalition grew out of a legislative battle in 2003 related to dairy emissions. The group focused on implementing that legislation in 2004. Now, with more than 140 members representing 70 organizations around the state, CVAQ has become the leading voice in California for improving the Valley's air quality.

## The San Joaquin Valley: Our Commitment *(continued)*



*CVAQ members gather at the State Capitol for "Action Day."*

One of the cornerstones of the Foundation's work as part of CVAQ and other statewide coalitions has been legislative advocacy focused on the Valley's air pollution crisis. Over the last year, which encompassed two legislative sessions, we focused on a variety of air quality legislation from expanding the membership of the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District Board of Directors (SB 999-Machado) to enforcement of pesticide safety regulations.

In the first half of the legislative session, we worked on a successful bill prohibiting the use of experimental pesticides in schools and a bill establishing a network of air monitoring sites on the west side of the San Joaquin Valley. In 2006, during the second half of the session, CVAQ focused tremendous energy trying to pass SB 999 again, garnering support from hundreds of organizations, Valley residents, elected officials, and the media. Ultimately, the bill passed through all of its policy committees and the full Senate before failing on the Assembly floor in a close vote.

For the annual CVAQ "Clean Air Action Day," in addition to SB 999, more than 100 Coalition members and Valley activists worked on legislation related to confined animal feeding operations (CAFOs) and pesticide use in day care facilities.

In addition to legislative advocacy, the Foundation - as part of CVAQ - was engaged in regulatory matters including the Indirect Source Rule (ISR), CAFOs, the federal Soot rule, and goods movement issues. The local Air District Board's approval of the ISR made the Valley the first place in the nation to charge builders a fee on new developments in order to mitigate air pollution.

Our partnership with CVAQ was also evident through Kirsch Foundation staff's regular participation on the Coalition's Steering Committee. Whether helping to plan strategy meetings, moderating the list-serve, or working with other California foundations to identify funding to hire the first-ever CVAQ staff, Foundation staff was integrally involved in implementing the Coalition's agenda.

Besides advocacy and coalition-building, CVAQ actively sought to educate policymakers and the breathing public about the San Joaquin Valley's air pollution problems through various communication outlets, including opinion-editorials, TV and radio segments, and special written reports. The Foundation also secured speaking opportunities for CVAQ members at a variety of environmental and public health-related affinity group meetings and workshops.

Lastly, in May 2006, the Council on Foundations honored the Kirsch Foundation with a Wilmer Shields Rich Bronze Award for Excellence in Communications for our report, "Clearing the Air in the San Joaquin Valley." The report, a roadmap for legislators and regulators to address the region's air quality problems, was a partnership between the Foundation and the Union of Concerned Scientists, and was supported by the CVAQ Coalition.

## The San Joaquin Valley: Our Commitment *(continued)*



**Top:** A seven-year-old San Joaquin Valley girl affected by the region's poor air breathes through a respirator. ©FRESNO BEE, 2006

**Bottom:** Carolina Simunovic of Fresno Metro Ministry and Teresa DeAnda with El Comité Para El Bienstar de Earlimart draw attention to clean air legislation at a rally in Alpaugh, CA.

### Statewide Advocacy

In addition to our work in the San Joaquin Valley, we maintained our focus on legislative and regulatory influence on statewide air quality issues, and did so through a number of collaborations.

Since 2002, we have held our annual “Clean Air Roundtable,” bringing together air quality advocates from around the state to talk about policy opportunities and challenges. At our 2005 summit, we galvanized around a few key issues and came up with an action agenda that included addressing petroleum dependence and global warming/climate change, and advocating for clean vehicle technologies. Kirsch Foundation staff also participated in a broad-based coalition of environmental and public health advocates, which met frequently during the legislative sessions to strategize about and collaborate on key bills.

In the first half of the legislative session, we collaborated with our colleagues on a successful bill that required the “retirement” of polluting vehicles and legislation that created a “global warming” label for new cars sold in California. We worked on legislation related to the prosecution of air quality violations and clean construction. In 2006, for the second half of the legislative session, the Foundation worked on a landmark bill that will result in a cap on stationary sources of greenhouse gas emissions and legislation that required a visible smoke test be incorporated as part of California Smog Check inspections.

### Grantmaking Partnerships

To add to the region's air quality woes, the San Joaquin Valley suffers the lowest level of foundation support per capita compared to the rest of the state. Despite the decades-long effort of Valley activists to bring attention to the area's pollution problems, this lack of philanthropic support made it difficult to successfully organize around these issues. Recognizing this handicap, the Kirsch Foundation began funder outreach efforts in late 2003. We identified a number of foundations, like The California Endowment, whose funding priorities matched the needs of the developing CVAQ Coalition. As a result of our work, several new foundations became engaged in supporting CVAQ's activities and productive outreach occurred with national funder-affinity groups.

### Valley-Focused Grantmaking

Between July 2005 and June 2006, the Kirsch Foundation invested over \$200,000 in efforts and organizations working to improve the Valley's air. Recipients included Fresno Metro Ministry and Latino Issues Forum, to support staff members' time serving as CVAQ steering committee co-chairs; and the Southeast Asian Institute for Advancement, to inform the Valley's Southeast Asian population about the air they breathe. We funded the travel and convening costs associated with the Central California Environmental Justice Network's Annual Meeting in order to make connections among impacted, rural communities. In addition, we contributed to CVAQ's annual “Clean Air Action Day” and critical legal efforts mounted by Earthjustice and the Center on Race, Poverty & the Environment.

# Nuclear Weapons Issues: Our Commitment



We have held firm to our belief that the most significant global threat of our time is the use of nuclear weapons. With terrorism remaining a constant threat to the U.S. and other nations, the need to secure and reduce nuclear material has become paramount, as has halting the proliferation of nuclear weapons, maintaining space as “weapons free,” and enacting barriers to the resumption of nuclear testing. As the current Administration continues to undermine international cooperation toward disarmament, a new arms race grows more possible.

This past year, we continued to fund the premiere national arms control organizations while engaging in lobbying activities to reduce the nuclear threat through our participation in and leadership of coalitions. Whether working to end Iran's and North Korea's nuclear programs or attempting to stop the development of new nuclear weapons, our funding and advocacy efforts were always carried out in partnership with the most credible, respected individuals and groups working on these grave issues.

While we faced considerable political challenges to achieving our goals, side-by-side with our colleague organizations we have helped bring the issue of the nuclear weapons threat to the global stage.

## Nuclear Nonproliferation Partnerships

### Arms Control Advocacy Collaborative (AC<sup>2</sup>)

In 2002, with the Ploughshares Fund, we created the Arms Control Advocacy Collaborative (AC<sup>2</sup>), a lobbying initiative aimed at advancing a common nuclear nonproliferation and arms control agenda through the funding of a full-time, Washington, DC-based lobbyist and 10 participating nonprofit organizations. In December 2005, the Ploughshares Fund and Kirsch Foundation renewed AC<sup>2</sup> for another three years, increasing the number of funded organizations to 14 and maintaining the same lobbyist, Terri S. Lodge, for a total financial commitment of more than \$400,000 through 2008. AC<sup>2</sup> member organizations and Terri have contributed technical, policy, grass roots, and legislative expertise while working toward a set of common goals.

During the last year, AC<sup>2</sup>'s advocacy agenda was varied, from preventing terrorism by locking up all nuclear bomb-making materials and reducing nuclear stockpiles; to limiting funding for new nuclear weapons; to preventing further deployment of a missile defense system; to promoting diplomacy in regions like Iran, India, and North Korea, where the danger of proliferation intensified.

AC<sup>2</sup> played a critical role in creating barriers to funding the “bunker buster” weapon (also known as the Robust Nuclear Earth Penetrator) and expansion of a missile defense system, and was responsible for increasing bipartisan Congressional attention to the urgency of the nuclear threat. The collaborative sponsored briefings for colleague organizations and other partners on topics like the U.S.-India deal in order to share information and strategize on potential solutions.

All AC<sup>2</sup> members, including Foundation staff, also participated in the Nuclear Weapons Working Group (NWWG), an informal alliance of organizations working to reduce the dangers posed by nuclear weapons by advocating for sensible Congressional legislation through expert

“ *The human race cannot coexist with nuclear weapons.* ”

-Ichho Itoh,  
Mayor, City of Nagasaki, Japan

## Nuclear Weapons Issues: Our Commitment *(continued)*

and grassroots efforts. AC<sup>2</sup>, NWWG, and the Peace and Security Initiative (see below) all focused on similar and complementary priorities, with the goals of successful advocacy, increased communication among like-minded organizations, and public education about nuclear weapons issues.



**Top:** Terri S. Lodge, Lobbyist for the Arms Control Advocacy Collaborative (AC<sup>2</sup>).

**Bottom left:** Deepti Choubey, former Director of the Peace and Security Initiative (PSI).

**Bottom right:** Joe Cirincione, formerly of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, speaks at the Foundation's PSI Briefing.

### Peace and Security Initiative (PSI)

A group of foundations and nonprofits created the Peace and Security Initiative (PSI) in 2002 as a unique collaboration among advocacy groups, think tanks, grassroots organizations, and funders working to create "best practices" for the peace and security community while influencing U.S. policy to promote a more secure, peaceful, and just world. The Kirsch Foundation's President & CEO played an integral role in PSI as a member of the Implementation Team, while other Foundation staff participated in community meetings and special briefings.

This year, PSI focused on building cooperative relationships within the arms control community and with Congressional staff in order to further a set of agreed-upon legislative priorities. Led by its first-ever Director, Deepti Choubey, PSI selected targeted grass roots and policy campaigns consistent with AC<sup>2</sup>'s and NWWG's priorities. Those initiatives included locking up nuclear material and reducing stockpiles in order to create barriers to terrorism; stopping new nuclear weapons development and testing; and promoting an end to the U.S. military's involvement in Iraq while encouraging stability and reconstruction.

Through the annual Peace and Security Legislative Retreat and quarterly community meetings, PSI provided legislative, communications, and strategic planning information and training so that the community's collective assets could be harnessed for the greatest impact. In collaboration with several foundations, the Kirsch Foundation co-sponsored a PSI Briefing for funders to learn about peace and security funding issues, featuring a panel of nonproliferation experts.

### The Ploughshares Fund

In addition to collaborating with the Ploughshares Fund on AC<sup>2</sup>, we have annually made a substantial grant to the organization for its nuclear threats re-granting program. Called a "mutual fund for peace and security," the Ploughshares Fund has substantial expertise about the individuals and organizations that are most effective worldwide in advancing disarmament and nonproliferation. Its Executive Director, Naila Bolus, is a leader in the community of organizations and foundations working to build international peace and security. Our funds have continued to be invested wisely by the Ploughshares Fund for the benefit of the field.

### Peace and Security Funders Group

For years, we have participated as a member of the Peace and Security Funders Group (PSFG), an association of private and public foundations, operating foundations, charitable trusts, grantmaking programs, and individual philanthropists who make grants or expenditures that contribute to peace and global security. PSFG's purpose is to enhance the effectiveness of philanthropic activity across this broad area of shared interests and commitments. The Kirsch Foundation's President & CEO has served in various leadership roles within this funding collaborative to help further its mission and bring new donors to the field.



# Silicon Valley: Our Commitment

**“When we cast our bread upon the waters, we can presume that someone downstream whose face we will never know will benefit from our action, as we who are downstream from another will profit from that grantor’s gift.”**

-Maya Angelou,  
Author and Poet



*Dr. Martha Kanter, center, presents Steve and Michèle with a plaque marking the dedication of the Kirsch Center.*

As philanthropists, mentors, leaders and visionaries, Steve and Michèle Kirsch are passionately committed to ensuring a better world for future generations. Finding the most strategic means of making a difference in the community, particularly Silicon Valley, has always been of critical importance to them. In the early 1990’s, the Kirsches created a donor-advised fund with Community Foundation Silicon Valley (CFSV). Then, in 1999, they established the Steven and Michèle Kirsch Foundation as a supporting foundation within CFSV to help further their philanthropic goals. Since our inception, the Kirsch Foundation has contributed millions of dollars to worthwhile organizations and endeavors. All of our community grants this year were made in the spirit of collaboration and building partnerships.

## Community Partnerships

### Community Foundation Silicon Valley

As a supporting foundation of CFSV, the Kirsch Foundation remains committed to providing direct financial support to their grant and organizational activities. Over the last fiscal year, we supported various programs including Partners in Philanthropy, the Community Investment Fund, and the Silicon Valley Social Venture Fund (SV2). We also contributed funds for the Philanthropy Incubator Silicon Valley Launch event and the CFSV Annual Meeting. In July 2006, CFSV announced that it would merge with the Peninsula Community Foundation to form a new entity: Silicon Valley Community Foundation. We believe that the new community foundation will combine the strengths and expertise of both organizations and we look forward to collaborating on funding and other initiatives in Silicon Valley.

### De Anza College and The Morgan Family Foundation

The largest grant in the history of the Kirsch Foundation culminated in October 2005 with the opening of the Kirsch Center for Environmental Studies on the De Anza College campus in Cupertino, California. The first of its kind on a college campus west of the Mississippi, the Kirsch Center’s vision is “a building that teaches about energy, resources and stewardship.” After the Kirsch Foundation made the lead gift in 2000, the Morgan Family Foundation endowed the Environmental Studies Department Chair. The community then contributed additional bond funding to create this landmark building. Under the guidance of Dr. Martha Kanter, Chancellor of the Foothill-De Anza Community College District, and Julie Phillips, Morgan Family Chair in Environmental Studies, the Kirsch Center stands as a model of how the public and private sector can partner together on a project that exemplifies environmental leadership.

### Silicon Valley Community Grantmaking

The Kirsch Foundation has maintained funding partnerships with many Silicon Valley nonprofit organizations. Because of our commitment to the well-being of children and families, we supported the Second Harvest Food Bank of Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties, the Girl Scouts, and Children’s Health Council. Funding to Castilleja School and to Bullis-Purissima Elementary School Foundation for their library and performing arts programs was consistent with our concern for quality education. Grants to Happy Hollow Park & Zoo and Hidden Villa reflected our commitment to environmental awareness and outdoor education.

# Grants

“*In this world it is not what we take up, but what we give up, that makes us rich.*”

-Henry Ward Beecher,  
Clergyman

## Grants Overview

During the July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2006, time period, we made grant payments of \$639,691. These payments reflect new grants approved by the Board of Directors as well as payments on multi-year grant commitments.

Environmental	19 grants	\$225,000
Political Reform and Global Theme	15 grants	\$100,001
Silicon Valley Community	48 grants	\$222,090
Discretionary	41 grants	\$92,600

## Grant Award Process

Due to our limited resources, all grant programs are invitation only. Individual grants may also be made at the discretion of the Board of Directors. To review our programs and each one's particular focus, see that section of our website.

[http://www.kirschfoundation.com/how/index\\_how.html](http://www.kirschfoundation.com/how/index_how.html)

The Foundation makes grants to organizations recognized by the IRS as 501(c)3 entities, or 501(c)4 entities within the limits of our IRS safe harbor for lobbying activities.



**Foundation Staff:** (L to R) *Connie Padre, former Executive Assistant and Communications Associate; David Burnce, Assistant to the President; May van Scherrenburg, Program Officer, Environmental and Science Programs; Susan Frank, Vice President, Public Policy; Taryn Ishida, former Interim Executive Assistant.*



**Board of Directors and Officers:** (L to R)  
*Top: Peter Hero, Secretary; Kathleen Gwynn, President/CEO; Bill Johnson, Member*  
*Seated: Perry Olson, Vice-Chairman and CFO; Steven T. Kirsch, Chairman.*

## Grants Awarded

The following list, totaling \$626,941, shows all grants approved by the Board by name of organization. If more than one grant was made to a given institution, only the total amount awarded is listed. It does not include payments on commitments made in prior years. You can learn more about these organizations by visiting their websites.

Grants (continued)



*Top: De Anza College's Kirsch Center welcomes students and visitors.*

*Bottom: Participants at Rainbow Day Camp, an outreach program of the Girl Scouts of Santa Clara County.*

**Environmental**

American Lung Association of California <a href="http://www.californialung.org">www.californialung.org</a>	\$16,250
California Environmental Rights Alliance <a href="http://www.EnviroRights.org">www.EnviroRights.org</a>	10,000
Californians for Pesticide Reform <a href="http://www.pesticidereform.org">www.pesticidereform.org</a>	27,500
Center on Race, Poverty & the Environment <a href="http://www.crpe-ej.org">www.crpe-ej.org</a>	20,000
Central California Environmental Justice Network <a href="http://www.ccejn.org">www.ccejn.org</a>	10,000
Earthjustice <a href="http://www.earthjustice.org">www.earthjustice.org</a>	20,000
Environmental Defense <a href="http://www.environmentaldefense.org">www.environmentaldefense.org</a>	20,000
Environmental Grantmakers Association <a href="http://www.ega.org">www.ega.org</a>	4,000
Environmental Integrity Project <a href="http://www.environmentalintegrity.org">www.environmentalintegrity.org</a>	20,000
Fresno Metro Ministry <a href="http://www.fresnometmin.org">www.fresnometmin.org</a>	20,000
Latino Issues Forum <a href="http://www.lif.org">www.lif.org</a>	10,000
Merced/Mariposa County Asthma Coalition <a href="http://www.mmccac.com">www.mmccac.com</a>	18,200
Natural Resources Defense Council <a href="http://www.nrdc.org">www.nrdc.org</a>	10,000
Southeast Asian Institute for Advancement <a href="http://sa-institute.org">http://sa-institute.org</a>	23,300

**Political Reform and Global Theme**

Alliance for Nuclear Accountability <a href="http://www.ananuclear.org">www.ananuclear.org</a>	\$ 3,571.50
Arms Control Association <a href="http://www.armscontrol.org">www.armscontrol.org</a>	3,571.50
British American Security Information Council <a href="http://www.basicint.org">www.basicint.org</a>	3,571.50
Council for a Livable World <a href="http://www.clw.org">www.clw.org</a>	3,571.50
Friends Committee on National Legislation <a href="http://www.fcnl.org">www.fcnl.org</a>	3,571.50
Global Green USA <a href="http://www.globalgreen.org">www.globalgreen.org</a>	3,571.50
Global Security Institute <a href="http://www.gs institute.org">www.gs institute.org</a>	3,571.50
Nuclear Age Peace Foundation <a href="http://www.wagingpeace.org">www.wagingpeace.org</a>	3,571.50
Peace Action <a href="http://www.peace-action.org">www.peace-action.org</a>	3,571.50
Physicians for Social Responsibility <a href="http://www.psr.org">www.psr.org</a>	3,571.50
Ploughshares Fund <a href="http://www.ploughshares.org">www.ploughshares.org</a>	50,000
Taxpayers for Common Sense <a href="http://www.taxpayer.net">www.taxpayer.net</a>	3,571.50
20/20 Vision <a href="http://www.2020vision.org">www.2020vision.org</a>	3,571.50
Union of Concerned Scientists <a href="http://www.ucsusa.org">www.ucsusa.org</a>	3,571.50
Women's Action for New Directions <a href="http://www.wand.org">www.wand.org</a>	3,571.50

**Silicon Valley Community**

American Leadership Forum <a href="http://www.alfnational.org">www.alfnational.org</a>	\$2,500
American Musical Theatre San Jose <a href="http://www.amtsj.org">www.amtsj.org</a>	30,000
Association of Fundraising Professionals <a href="http://www.afpnet.org">www.afpnet.org</a>	1,000
Bing Nursery School <a href="http://www.stanford.edu/dept/bingschool">www.stanford.edu/dept/bingschool</a>	1,000
Bullis-Purissima Elementary School <a href="http://www.bullischarterhschool.com/foundation.asp">www.bullischarterhschool.com/foundation.asp</a>	31,040
Castilleja School Foundation <a href="http://www.castilleja.org">www.castilleja.org</a>	7,500
Children's Discovery Museum <a href="http://www.cdm.org">www.cdm.org</a>	1,000
Children's Health Council <a href="http://www.chconline.org">www.chconline.org</a>	16,600
Community Breast Health Project <a href="http://www.cbhp.org">www.cbhp.org</a>	500
Community Foundation Silicon Valley <a href="http://www.cfsv.org">www.cfsv.org</a>	34,500
Community Services Agency <a href="http://www.csacares.org">www.csacares.org</a>	2,500
Computer History Museum <a href="http://www.computerhistory.org">www.computerhistory.org</a>	2,000
Family and Children Services <a href="http://www.fcservices.org">www.fcservices.org</a>	1,500
Foothill-De Anza Foundation <a href="http://www.foundation.fhda.edu">www.foundation.fhda.edu</a>	2,000
Girl Scouts of Santa Clara County <a href="http://www.girlscoutsofsc.org">www.girlscoutsofsc.org</a>	1,000
Happy Hollow Park & Zoo <a href="http://www.happyhollowparkandzoo.org">www.happyhollowparkandzoo.org</a>	500
Hidden Villa <a href="http://www.hiddenvilla.org">www.hiddenvilla.org</a>	3,950
Junior Achievement of Silicon Valley & Monterey Bay, Inc. <a href="http://www.ja.org">www.ja.org</a>	1,000

Grants (continued)

KTEH <a href="http://www.kteh.org">www.kteh.org</a> . . . . .	10,000
Los Altos Town Crier <a href="http://www.latc.com">www.latc.com</a> . . . . .	1,000
Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health <a href="http://www.lpfch.org">www.lpfch.org</a> . . . . .	10,000
Next Door Solutions to Domestic Violence <a href="http://www.nextdoor.org">www.nextdoor.org</a> . . . . .	1,000
Opportunities Industrialization Center West <a href="http://www.oicw.org">www.oicw.org</a> . . . . .	1,000
People Acting in Community Together <a href="http://www.pactsj.org">www.pactsj.org</a> . . . . .	2,250
Resource Area for Teaching <a href="http://www.raft.net">www.raft.net</a> . . . . .	5,500
Santa Clara University <a href="http://www.scu.edu">www.scu.edu</a> . . . . .	1,500
San Jose Repertory Theatre <a href="http://www.sjrep.com">www.sjrep.com</a> . . . . .	5,000
Second Harvest Food Bank <a href="http://www.2ndharvest.net">www.2ndharvest.net</a> . . . . .	6,000
The Tech Museum of Innovation <a href="http://www.thetech.org">www.thetech.org</a> . . . . .	10,750
United Way Silicon Valley <a href="http://www.uwsv.org">www.uwsv.org</a> . . . . .	5,000
Zero One <a href="http://www.01sj.org">www.01sj.org</a> . . . . .	1,000

**Discretionary**

American Red Cross <a href="http://www.redcross.org">www.redcross.org</a> . . . . .	\$2,500
Asian Pacific Fund <a href="http://www.asianpacificfund.org">www.asianpacificfund.org</a> . . . . .	2,000
The Aspen Institute <a href="http://www.aspeninstitute.org">www.aspeninstitute.org</a> . . . . .	1,000
Association of Space Explorers <a href="http://www.space-explorers.org">www.space-explorers.org</a> . . . . .	5,000
Business Leaders for Sensible Priorities <a href="http://www.sensiblepriorities.org">www.sensiblepriorities.org</a> . . . . .	1,750
California First Amendment Coalition <a href="http://www.cfac.org">www.cfac.org</a> . . . . .	5,000
California League of Conservation Voters <a href="http://www.ecovote.org">www.ecovote.org</a> . . . . .	3,000
California State Parks Foundation <a href="http://www.calparks.org">www.calparks.org</a> . . . . .	1,000
Center for Resource Solutions <a href="http://www.resource-solutions.org">www.resource-solutions.org</a> . . . . .	5,000
Children of Shelters <a href="http://www.childrenofshelters.org">www.childrenofshelters.org</a> . . . . .	5,000
Commonwealth Club of California <a href="http://www.commonwealthclub.org">www.commonwealthclub.org</a> . . . . .	4,000
Conservation International <a href="http://www.conservation.org">www.conservation.org</a> . . . . .	2,000
Demos <a href="http://www.demos.org">www.demos.org</a> . . . . .	1,000
Earth Day Network <a href="http://www.earthday.net">www.earthday.net</a> . . . . .	5,000
FIRST <a href="http://www.usfirst.org">www.usfirst.org</a> . . . . .	1,000
Fund for Peace Initiatives <a href="http://www.fundforpeace.org">www.fundforpeace.org</a> . . . . .	5,000
Global Fund for Women <a href="http://www.globalfundforwomen.org">www.globalfundforwomen.org</a> . . . . .	5,500
Institute for America's Future <a href="http://www.ourfuture.org">www.ourfuture.org</a> . . . . .	3,500
Kristi Yamaguchi's Always Dream Foundation <a href="http://www.alwaysdream.org">www.alwaysdream.org</a> . . . . .	5,000
Media Matters for America <a href="http://www.mediamatters.org">www.mediamatters.org</a> . . . . .	1,000
Military Families Speak Out <a href="http://www.mfso.org">www.mfso.org</a> . . . . .	500
Mills College <a href="http://www.mills.edu">www.mills.edu</a> . . . . .	10,250
NARAL Pro Choice America Foundation <a href="http://www.naral.org">www.naral.org</a> . . . . .	1,000
National Public Radio <a href="http://www.npr.org">www.npr.org</a> . . . . .	1,000
Natural Resources Defense Council <a href="http://www.nrdc.org">www.nrdc.org</a> . . . . .	600
Peace and Security Funders Group <a href="http://www.peaceandsecurity.org">www.peaceandsecurity.org</a> . . . . .	2,500
People For the American Way <a href="http://www.pfaw.org/pfaw/general">www.pfaw.org/pfaw/general</a> . . . . .	5,000
Public Interest Projects . . . . .	1,000
Reach For Tomorrow, Research Today <a href="http://www.reachfortomorrow.info">www.reachfortomorrow.info</a> . . . . .	5,000
Steadman-Hawkins Research Foundation <a href="http://www.shsmf.org">www.shsmf.org</a> . . . . .	1,000
To Celebrate Life Breast Cancer Foundation <a href="http://www.tocelebratelife.org">www.tocelebratelife.org</a> . . . . .	1,000
University of California, San Francisco Foundation <a href="http://www.ucsf.edu/support">www.ucsf.edu/support</a> . . . . .	1,000
World Affairs Council <a href="http://www.wacsf.org">www.wacsf.org</a> . . . . .	2,500
World Resources Institute <a href="http://www.wri.org">www.wri.org</a> . . . . .	1,000



**Top:** Peter Hero, President of Community Foundation Silicon Valley, and Steve Kirsch.



**Bottom:** San Joaquin Valley residents show support for air quality legislation at a hearing in Sacramento.

# Financial Statements

## Statement of Financial Position

June 30, 2006

(Unaudited)

### ASSETS

Cash and Equivalents	\$	806,430
Investments, at fair value		6,535,099
Other assets		1,792
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,343,321</b>

### LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

#### LIABILITIES:

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	34,907
Grants payable		32,250
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>67,157</b>

#### NET ASSETS -

Unrestricted		7,276,164
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,343,321</b>
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## Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets

Year ended June 30, 2006

(Unaudited)

### REVENUES AND SUPPORT:

Contributions	\$	-
Net realized and unrealized gains on investments		420,718
Investment Income		258,548
<b>Total Revenues and Support</b>		<b>679,267</b>

### EXPENSES:

Program Services:		
Grant expenses		626,941
Other program expenses		632,554
Management and general		202,815
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>1,462,310</b>

<b>DECREASE IN NET ASSETS</b>	<b>(783,043)</b>
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<b>NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<b>8,059,207</b>
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<b>NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 7,276,164</b>
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