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Annual 4th of July Parade & Celebration.

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OCF Board: (L to R) Natalie Fay, Gene Gottfried, Richard Westin, Vince Dell'Aquila, Sandy Roadcap, Carlos Baltodano, Annette Linney, Perry Shustack, Sue Severson, Joceyn Bennion, Jim Keefe, and Larry Berger. Not pictured is Tina Zwahlen.

OCF Grants 2022

- Concerts in the Park
- Fourth of July Parade
- Friends of the Joaquin Moraga Adobe
- Friends of the Orinda Library
- Lamorinda Adult Respite Center
- Lamorinda Area Radio Interest Group
- Lamorinda Arts Council
- Lamorinda Film & Entertainment Foundation
- Lamorinda Idol
- Lamorinda Village
- Meals on Wheels Diablo Region
- Mindful Littles
- Miramonte High School Writer's Magazine
- Movies in the Park
- Orinda Action Day of Community Service
- Orinda Citizen of the Year
- Orinda Garden Club
- Orinda Historical Society
- Orinda News
- Orinda Starlight Village Players
- Orinda/Tabor Sister City Foundation
- Pacific Chamber Orchestra
- Senior Trips
- Seniors Around Town
- Tree Lighting
- Youth Ink Writing Contest

2022 OCF grant donations: over \$70,000
Total grants since 2010: over \$500,000



Orinda Community Foundation Annual Report to the Community

Volume 12, Number 1

Enhancing the Quality of Life in Orinda

Spring 2023

The Orinda Community Foundation Work Done during 2022

We are happy to announce that the Orinda Community Foundation (OCF) granted over \$70,000 in 2022 to a large number of local non-profit organizations. This total is a 50% increase over 2021's grants. The recipient organizations are multi-faceted in that they help many different people and accomplish many different things. Their overall impact has greatly strengthened engagement and enhanced community spirit in our area!

Our 2022 funds were provided to 25 grantees to support the following organizations and events: The Fourth of July Celebration, Lamorinda Idol, Art in Public Places, Park and Rec Concerts and Movies at the Park, Seniors Around Town,

The Moraga Adobe (1841 Landmark in Orinda), The Starlight Players, Live at the Orinda Theatre, The Orinda News, Meals on Wheels, The Lamorinda Village, The Orinda Garden Club, Tree Lighting Ceremony, The Orinda Historical Society, plus many more.

OCF is 100% volunteer and locally managed. Since our goal is to be good stewards of the funds entrusted to us, we take pride in being efficient. In 2022, our total administrative and fundraising expenses (mainly the cost of printing and mailing our annual newsletter) were only 6% of the total revenue. By comparison, Charity Navigator gives its highest ranking to organizations that spend less than 15% of expenses on overhead. OCF easily exceeds this standard. In addition, with our governance via a local board with regular meetings, transparent financial reporting, and a division of duties, OCF has been and continues to be a reliable partner to both donors and grant recipients in our community.

Since OCF's beginning in 2010, over \$500,000 has been donated to organizations and events. All have been locally focused. This has only been possible due to the generous donations provided by you and your neighbors.

Grant applications are open from September 15-October 30. Grants are awarded annually every November. If you have an activity or event that uplifts the community in any manner, please let us know about it. Go to www.OrindaFoundation.org. Our grant application is posted online along with a variety of other materials and information about us – past and present. You can also make your donation to us there!

If you wish to make a donation by check we have provided an envelope for your convenience as part of this mailer.

Most importantly, we would like to thank our donors for their continued support. Only with your help are we able to fund these splendid organizations and events that bring so much joy and community spirit to Orinda!



Independent Review Confirms OCF as a Trustworthy Local Charity

How do you know that the non-profit charity requesting support is worth your time and donations? It has been said that people don't give money to charity; they give money to people. Thus, trust in the people requesting donations and in the work of the charity itself is critical. Notwithstanding personal relationships and the programs that are the work of any non-profit, there are several financial fundamentals that any charity should meet. The Orinda Community Foundation has embraced these requirements.

We have been independently reviewed internally and externally. Our accounting and financial processes are sound. Policies and processes that ensure this include:

- 1) **Regular meetings over many years.** The OCF Board meets about ten times each year. The Foundation has been a reliable charitable partner to the Orinda community since 2010.
- 2) **Ongoing financial reports.** These are presented at every meeting and reviewed by the Board. Any overlaps and/or anomalies arising out of the numbers are questioned. We focus on being efficient – careful with expenses but generous with donations.
- 3) **Division of duties.** In a small foundation such as OCF, the division of duties is important. There is no staff. Thus, board members share the workload. This has the additional benefit of improved financial controls due to multiple layers of

- oversight.
 - 4) **Experienced board members.** Several members have run successful businesses. Our treasurer is a CPA; investments are overseen by an experienced professional; other members have extensive experience in education and government.
 - 5) **Transparent operations.** Our Board has been open to new members. Five new members have been added recently bringing new talent and perspective to the Foundation. A third-party CPA files our tax returns. These are available to all upon request.
- With these achievements in mind, we respectfully request your support.**

To learn more about Orinda Community Foundation, contribute on-line, or to volunteer, visit our website at www.orindafoundation.org. You can also donate at www.PayPal.me/orindafoundation.

www.OrindaFoundation.org

Choose OCF as your charity partner.

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Community Partners

City of Orinda
Friends of Orinda Creeks
Lamorinda Arts Council
The Orinda Association
Orinda Chamber of Commerce
Orinda Farmer's Market
Orinda Garden Clubs
Orinda Junior Garden Club
Orinda Junior Women's Club
The Orinda News
Orinda Park & Recreation
Foundation
Orinda Rotary Club
Orinda Women's Club

ORINDA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
a California nonprofit public benefit
charitable organization

MISSION: The Orinda Community Foundation enhances the quality of life in Orinda by fostering community spirit and citizen engagement, building partnerships, and providing financial assistance to support community activities, beautification and the arts.

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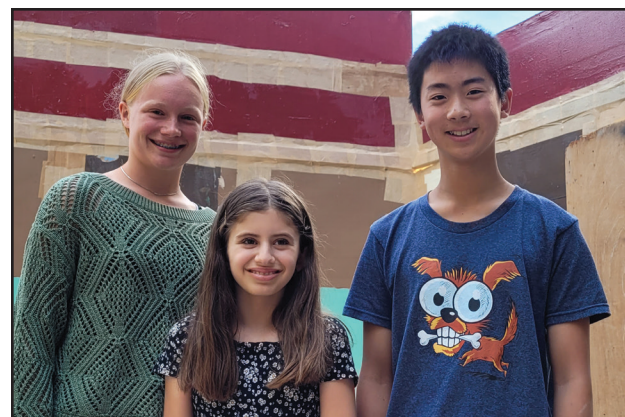
Individuals

Major Donors (\$5000 or more)

Laurence & Diana Berger
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Kathleen & Richard Thompson
Ted & Lida Urban

Patrons (\$1000 - \$4,999)

David & Kay Aaker
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Youth Ink Writing Contest winners (L-R) Kaia Bonham (1st place, "The Light You've Shown Me"), Stella Ciarlantini (3rd place, "For Mara") and Vinny Yu (2nd place, "Gifted")

Jack Sweitzer & Joyce Hawkins

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Orinda Garden Club



Orinda Starlight Village Players perform in the Orinda Community Center Park during the summer.

Sharon Simpson
Tim & Sylvia Carter
Urban Foundation
Richard & Pamela Westin
Amy & Tom Worth

Supporters (\$101 - \$499)

Bonnie Bell
David Bonneville



Seniors Around Town provides rides for our seniors.

Elizabeth O'Shea & Richard Howard
Stephen Paddock
Philip & Nancy Placier
Bob & Carol Riddell
Michael & Carol Sabarese
Laura Sawczuk & Luke Ellis
Shauna & Mark Simmonds
Lee & Ann Sorenson
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Mary Del Santo
Mark & Luann Duggan
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Jeri & Herb Foster
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Michael & Diana Gilmore
Alex & Eva Glazer
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Eve Gordon-Ramek
Jeff & Maggie Halliday
Chris Hoot
Elizabeth C. Johnson
Ellen & Art Kapoor
David & Margo Kelly



One of the many amazing vehicles to appear at the Orinda Car Show.

Donors (up to \$100)

Anonymous
Rex & Nanette Andrews
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Patty Bolich & John Bacon
Steve & Marcia Boyd
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Lamorinda Idol Finalists

Fred & Maria Kintzer
Chris Laszcz-Davis
Bill Libby
Suzanne Mangus
Mark & Sally McGourty
Todd & Julie Mercer
Victoria Nakamura
Robert & Carol Nykodym
Diane Oshima & Paul Maltzer
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Kate & Todd Shallan
Richard & Barbara Shoop
Sarah & Lawrence Siegel
Deborah Smith
Winnie Smith
Evanthia Spanos & Steve Austin
David Sullivan

Hugh & Sharon Tama
Merrily Taylor
Tom & Lynn Trowbridge
Clark & Geraldine Wallace
Howard Weiser
Sheila Wendt
Donna White
John & Patricia Winther
Peter & Kay Yanev

In Honor of:

Bonnie Bell in honor of Freedom, Peace & Honesty
Elizabeth C. Johnson in honor of Philip K. Jensen
Philip & Nancy Placier in honor of Nancy Placier
Merrily Taylor in honor of Bobbie Landers
Dorothy Wilson in honor of Harvey L. Parry & Ray Wilson

In Memory of:

Carlos & Josie Baltodano in memory of Paula Castillo
Nancy Debenham in memory of John O. Debenham, M.D.
Howard Weiser in memory of Lennie Weiser

Business Partners

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Kaiser Permanente
Mary Ann Cropper, CPA
Nonprofits Insurance Alliance
Orinda Aquatics



OCF partners with The Orinda Association to make 4th of July Celebration possible.

Orinda Community Master Calendar at OrindaFoundation.org

Are you looking for information on what's happening around town? Well look no further than www.orindafoundation.org. OCF is pleased to provide an online community events calendar where civic groups can list their meetings and events and residents can learn more about what's going on around town.

Join us in 2023:

Submit Citizen of the Year Nominations by September 30.
November 5 - Orinda Citizen of the Year
4th Saturday in April annually - Orinda Action Day
Join us as participant or volunteer!