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Stanislaus Community Foundation Named One of the Fastest Growing Community Foundations in the Country

(Modesto, CA)—Stanislaus Community Foundation has been named one of the fastest growing community foundations in the country by the Community Foundation Research and Training Institute (CFRTI). CFRTI provides training for community foundation staff and board members and publishes research on topics of interest to community foundations.

As part of its research, CFRTI tracks basic information about US-based community foundations, including asset size. Between 2014 and 2018, Stanislaus Community Foundation increased its asset size from just over \$17 million to more than \$38 million. Based on this growth, Stanislaus Community Foundation is among the top 5% of the fastest growing community foundations in the country with assets over \$10 million.

"Our organization tracks financial results of all community foundations in the country," said David Bennett, President of CFRTI. "Stanislaus Community Foundation stands out for its ability to increase its assets, thereby allowing Stanislaus Community Foundation to significantly increase the support it provides to the community it serves."

"We have always known that we live in an incredibly generous community and this ranking proves this," said Marian Kaanon, President and CEO of Stanislaus Community Foundation. "Because of our donors, we've been able to respond to our community's most pressing needs in past years, and that's even more the case during the COVID-19 pandemic."

To date this year, Stanislaus Community Foundation has given out more than \$5 million in grants and scholarships to students and nonprofits, almost double its giving from the previous year. This includes \$100,000 in grants to local nonprofits from the Resilient Stanislaus Fund, \$150,000 to support Stanislaus County's Business Grant Program, and \$65,000 in hardship grants to Modesto Junior College and CSU Stanislaus students.

To further support local nonprofits as they navigate the current crisis, Stanislaus Community Foundation published the report "The State of Stanislaus County's Nonprofit Sector." This report describes the impact of COVID-19 on nonprofit operations, clients, and capacity needs and provides recommendations regarding how funders can better support nonprofits. Stanislaus Community Foundation has also hosted a number of webinars for local organizations, donors and the community at large.

For more information about Stanislaus Community Foundation, visit www.StanislausCF.org.

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About Stanislaus Community Foundation

Since 2002, Stanislaus Community Foundation (SCF) has been a catalyst to transform local resources into common good through strategic philanthropy and bold leadership. Since its inception, SCF has granted 100 Sycamore Ave, Suite 200, Modesto, CA 95354 * (209) 576-1608 * StanislausCF.org

more than \$23 million to nonprofits and scholarship recipients in Stanislaus County. SCF houses more than 160 funds and close to \$40 million in total charitable assets.