

# Sherwood Cares

SHERWOOD COUNTRY CLUB CHARITABLE FOUNDATION



ANNUAL REPORT 2021

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**OUR MISSION**  
is to serve children and families in our community by supporting programs that address educational, medical, nutritional, and safety needs.



The background of the entire page is a photograph of several people, mostly women, wearing white hard hats and safety glasses. They are looking upwards with expressions of interest and focus. One woman in the foreground is wearing a grey long-sleeved shirt and a black work glove, pointing her right index finger towards the top right. In the bottom left corner, a person is wearing a pink shirt with a 'LOWE'S' logo. In the bottom right, a white t-shirt with a 'Habitat for Humanity' logo is visible. The overall scene appears to be a community service or construction project.

120+  
volunteers

7  
years

51  
non-profits

\$2.7M  
grants

The Sherwood Country Club Charitable Foundation, known as *Sherwood Cares*, is a significant force in in our community. Thus far, the Foundation has provided more than \$2,700,000 in grants to local charitable organizations.

Sherwood Country Club members contribute to the Foundation in various ways. They serve on the Board and committees, attend *Sherwood Cares*-sponsored events and participate in the Annual Fund and local community service days.

Sherwood Country Club Charitable Foundation was established as a non-profit 501(c)3 charitable organization in 2013.



## MESSAGE FROM THE SCCCF BOARD

We are grateful for the nearly 470 donors who chose *Sherwood Cares* to facilitate their donations to local nonprofits, totaling \$2.7 million to 51 charities in the seven years since the members started the Foundation. We are proud of the local programs we have supported together.

In addition to traditional grants for which we accept community applications twice a year, we can also quickly respond to urgent and timely community needs. For example, *Sherwood Cares* was one of the first local organizations to respond to the Covid-19 pandemic by issuing emergency relief grants in March, 2020. Similarly, *Sherwood Cares* facilitated emergency grants in late 2018 to local charities serving the needs of those adversely affected by the local fires and the heartbreaking tragedy of the Borderline shooting.

The Foundation has a micro grant program that is able to fund smaller needs quickly for the most impact. As an example of this program, hundreds of swimsuits, towels and goggles for kids in poverty attending a local summer camp program were provided. Also, holiday gifts were given to families of kids with pediatric cancer, and back-to-school backpacks filled with school supplies were distributed to those in need.

Each year, over 100 members participate in our Community Days program where we volunteer together. We regularly make lunches for the homeless, stuff bags for foster kids, attend blood drives for the Red Cross, and more.

As we look ahead, we are guided by our mission to serve locally (within 25 miles of the Club) and thank our fellow members and donors for their generosity and commitment to our great Club and local philanthropy.



# GRANT PROCESS

The Sherwood Country Club Charitable Foundation provides grants to organizations with demonstrated capabilities in providing high-quality programs. Grants can be used for capital improvements or campaigns, specific projects, and for general program expenses.

The Foundation provides grants to charities that:

- ✓ Are 501(c)(3) charitable organizations.
- ✓ Serve children and families in addressing educational, medical, nutritional, or safety needs.
- ✓ Provide significant services supporting the community within a 25-mile radius of Sherwood Country Club.
- ✓ Have a history of demonstrated program operating success and outcomes in providing their services. Please note, the Foundation does not provide grants to groups that operate primarily as fundraisers for other charitable organizations.
- ✓ Have a history of demonstrated efficient financial management and controls in providing their services.
- ✓ Are successful in raising funds from additional sources, particularly in their immediate communities.
- ✓ Agree to the Foundation's requirements for post-award financial and operational reporting, in addition to entering into mutual releases with us regarding the use of names, logos, and photos.

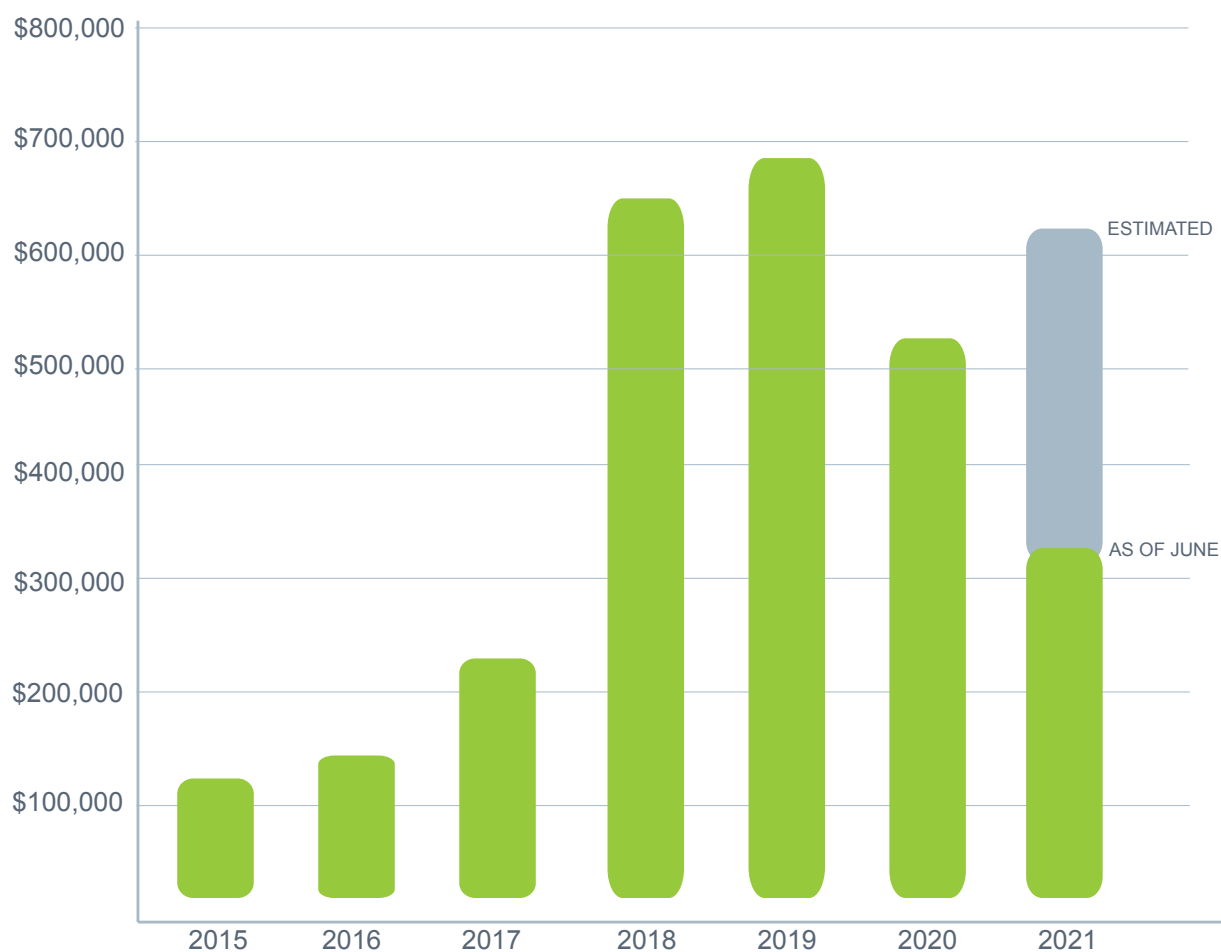
We accept grant applications twice per year. Please encourage your favorite local nonprofits to apply. They can visit us at [www.sherwoodcares.org](http://www.sherwoodcares.org) for eligibility and application information. For questions or more information, email us at: [grants@sherwoodcares.org](mailto:grants@sherwoodcares.org).



**\$2.7M**  
grants

**51**  
non-profits

## GRANT HISTORY





# GRANT RECIPIENTS

## Action

ALS Golden West Chapter

American Red Cross

Art Trek

Assistance League

Aurelia Foundation

Big Brothers, Big Sisters Ventura County

Boys & Girls Club Camarillo

Boys & Girls Club Greater Conejo Valley

Boys & Girls Club Moorpark

Boys & Girls Club Greater Oxnard/Port Hueneme

Boys & Girls Club West Valley

Interface Children & Family Services

James Storehouse

Lighthouse for Women and Children

Livingston Memorial Visiting Nurse Assoc. & Hospice

Lutheran Social Services

Make-A-Wish Tri-Counties

MANNA

Many Mansions

Miracle League of the 805

My Stuff Bags

NAMI

Project Understanding

“We are especially grateful for all that Sherwood members have done and continue to do for the good of those who struggle most in our community.”

**Denise Cortes**, Exec Director, Harbor House

Building Healthy Smiles - United Way

Bumblebee Foundation

Cancer Support Community

CASA

Casa Pacifica

Children's Burn Foundation

Coalition for Family Harmony

Conejo Free Clinic

DRAGG

First Tee of Los Angeles

Food Share

Habitat for Humanity

Harbor House

Hospice of Conejo

Ride On Therapeutic Horsemanship

SCGA Foundation

Senior Concerns

Special Olympics

Stand Down

Step Up Ventura

Turning Point

United Cerebral Palsy

United Way Ventura County

Ventura County Community Foundation

Ventura County Medical Resource Foundation

Westminster Free Clinic

YMCA of SE Ventura County

# THANK YOU TO OUR GIVING CIRCLE

## SHERWOOD CARES LEGACY CIRCLE

### *Lifetime Cumulative Giving*

#### FOUNDER

**\$250,000+**

Anonymous

#### BENEFACTOR

**\$100,000 - \$249,999**

Judy and George Carney  
Dina and Jim Furash  
Diane and Jim Pieczynski  
George and Cindy Rusu Family Foundation  
Leslie and Zack Schuler  
Olenka and Paul Speaker

## SHERWOOD CARES DONORS CIRCLE

### *2020 Annual Giving*

#### DIAMOND \$25,000+

Anonymous  
Judy and George Carney  
Carolyn and Don Cusick  
Diane and Jim Pieczynski  
George and Cindy Rusu Family Foundation  
Leslie and Zack Schuler  
Cindy and Hal Weinstein

#### PLATINUM \$10,000 - \$24,999

Trixy Castro and David Smith  
Dina and Jim Furash  
Kay and Paul Hopkins  
Don List  
Melanie and Matt Lyons  
Anyia and Bill Morton

#### GOLD \$5,000 - \$9,999

Laura and Steve Gubner  
Peggy Jones and Parise Livanos  
Elmira and Don Lavi  
Rocky Morton  
Kathleen and Paul Rainey  
Keli and Kurt Skarin  
Olenka and Paul Speaker  
Mary and Tony Tesoro

#### SILVER \$2,500 - \$4,999

Monica and Jeff Bjork  
Kessie and Dan Cimino  
Amber and Paul Coleman  
Laura Davis  
Laura and Richard Hamill  
Phyllis and Leonard Lerner  
Carol and Ron Lewis  
Allison and Jonathan Noori  
Teri and Randy Rehder  
Barbara Vass and Mike Saksa  
Barbara and Tom Stevens  
Frank Visco

#### BRONZE \$1,000 - \$2,499

Shana and Gary Collett  
Kelly and Tyler Cusick  
Janet and Dennis Cruzan  
Laurie Friedman  
Lisa Furfine  
Jeri and Keith Gertzman  
Gale and David Haley  
David Hansen  
Ellen and Patrick Henahan  
Susan and Daniel Kane  
Eileen and Ken Kaplan  
Terri and John Kokulis  
Susan and Sheldon Malchicoff  
Suzie and Steve Lehman  
Amy and Mike McMaster  
Nicole Van Parys and Gary Nesen  
Lucia and Jung Park  
Frances and Robert Perry  
Curt and Gerry Pindler  
Gaylyn Talbot and Rene Pharisien  
Dori and Jim Sandefer  
Vicki and Dale Schnittjer  
Bernadette Straatsma  
Shannon and Dan Sullivan  
Alan Templeton  
Pam and Robert Weingarten

#### MEMBER up to \$999

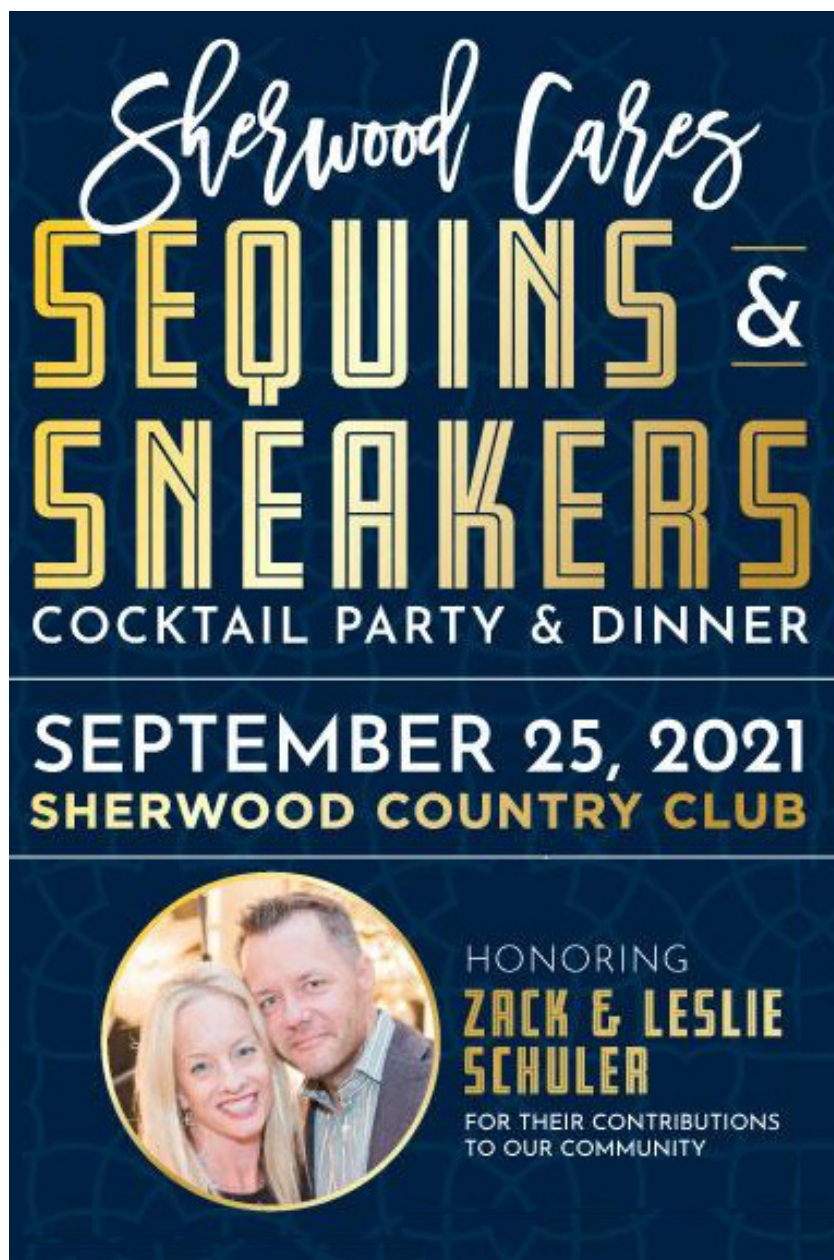
Alan Abramson  
Lisa Rose and Marty Albertson  
Christina and Christopher Aye  
Shawn O'Hara and Steve Binder  
Joyce and William Bromiley  
Brigitte and Michael Cavalier  
Kristi and Keith Davidson  
Estelle and Ted Elliott  
Denise and Brian Farrell  
Sheryl and Ken Gurnick  
Michael Forest and CJ Morden  
Dawn and Ross Garner  
Cindi and Fred Gortner  
Sarah Jeon  
Karen and Jeff Johnston  
Karen and Paul Keglevic  
Tom Kelly  
Jacqueline and Robert Larson  
Kim and Ken LaSpada  
Alicia and Howard Lind  
Doreen and John Lynch  
Nicole Mastro  
Andrea Melville  
Connie Mundell  
Kim and Bryan Murphy  
Matt Nelson  
Dawn and Russell Nelson  
Carole and Bennett Nussbaum  
Lora and Scott Peterson  
Tanja and Mhayse Samalya  
Britney and Devin Semler  
Kelly and Andy Shaver  
Rebecca and Paul Spiegel  
Gary and Susan Stephani  
Lisa and Joel Subotnick  
Dave Thompson  
Joyce and Michael Weinper  
Mary Weitzman  
Christine and Aki Yorihiro  
Teresa and Al Zobrist



# EVENTS

"We welcome the participation of our Sherwood Membership to volunteer at our events and serve on our committees. Thank you to these Sherwood Members for their service."

George Carney, President



## **Sherwood Cares Cocktail Party & Dinner**

September 25, 2021

This annual event always sells out, so RSVP soon!

## **Sherwood Cares Golf Classic**

Thank you for supporting our annual spring golf event supporting programs that address the educational, medical, nutritional and safety needs of children and families in our community.

**Raised a record  
net \$230,000 in May 2021!**

## **Sherwood Cares Community Days Red Cross Blood Drives, Coat Drive & Meal Delivery**

Thank you to our many members who donated blood, contributed coats and delivered meals during the pandemic.



# VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

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## COMMITTEES

While our Gala needed to be postponed to 2021, we would like to recognize members who served on 2020 and 2021 committees.

### FUNDRAISING EVENTS

**Dina Furash - Gala Chair**

**Bob Jacobs - Golf Chair**

George Carney

Cassidy Castro

Dan Cimino

Paul Coleman

Christine Crawford

Lisa Furfine

Carol Lewis

Nicole Mastro

Amy McMaster

Andrea Melville

Bill Morton

Kim Murphy

Jung Park

Zack Schuler

Olenka Speaker

Susan Stephani

Brooke Taylor

Sharon Tesoriero

Crystal Thomas

Rosa VanParys

Barbara Vass

Hardy Warren

Hal Weinstein

### MARKETING & COMMUNICATION

**Mike McMaster - Chair**

Dina Furash

Lisa Furfine

Barbara Vass



### FINANCE & INVESTMENT

**Don Lavi - Chair**

George Carney

Bob Jacobs

Bill Morton

Jim Pieczynski

### GRANTS

**Jim Pieczynski - Chair**

Dina Furash

Trixy Castro

Carolyn Cusick

Dawn Garner

Ron Lewis

Barbara Vass



# BOARD OF DIRECTORS



**George Carney**  
President



**Dina Furash**  
Vice President



**Don Lavi**  
Treasurer



**Lisa Furfine**  
Secretary



**Trixy Castro**



**Carolyn Cusick**



**Bob Jacobs**



**Mike McMaster**



**Jim Pieczynski**



**Barbara Vass**

“With the help from *Sherwood Cares*, we have been able to provide new belongings and new hope to abused, neglected, abandoned, and homeless children.”

**Janeen Holmes**, President/CEO, *My Stuff Bags*





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