

San Luis Obispo County Community Foundation

This is how we work to improve the quality of life in SLO County,
and why donations of every size matter

leadership fund

Growing philanthropy through activities that:

- Engage new donors in local causes
 - Bring players together to address complex issues
- Strengthen nonprofit organizations

This is a fund supporting the operations and special programs of the Community Foundation. For example, it allows us to support ACTION for Healthy Communities, the sole measurement of quality-of-life indicators in SLO County, which enables effective grantmaking.

community needs fund

Caring for current and future generations through grants that respond to the most pressing issues facing people in our community.

This is an endowment fund supporting ongoing discretionary grantmaking of the Community Foundation. For example, we help children prepare for school by fostering Raising a Reader programs throughout the county.

field of interest funds & scholarships

Targeting areas of need through grants that support specific causes and serve defined population groups.

This collection of funds makes it easy for donors with shared interests to pool their money for greater impact. For example, numerous donors have collectively created one of the largest sources of college scholarships in the county.

donor advised funds

Taking a personal approach to giving through establishing a fund in your name and engaging with the Community Foundation to direct grants to local programs.

For example, George and Jan Clucas helped create a public bike path from SLO to the ocean.