Solving Hunger in San Jose

With a single donation to the Solving Hunger in San Jose Smartfund, you can combat hunger on multiple fronts: providing food directly to those in need, improving the efficacy of existing services, and making systems-level change so that fewer people will experience food insecurity to begin with. In this way, every dollar given to this Smartfund will generate both a significant immediate impact and results that grow over time.

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Despite the Bay Area’s booming economy, 1 in 4 people do not know where their next meal is coming from. In Silicon Valley, 1 in 3 suffer from food insecurity.

Loaves and Fishes

DIRECT SERVICE: 60%

Martha’s Kitchen feeds the hungry with dignity, no questions asked, no judgment made. They have created a network of cooperating community-based organizations who collaborate to help each other deliver the services for which they have the expertise.

Second Harvest of Silicon Valley’s mission is to lead the community to ensure that anyone who needs a healthy meal can get one. Their volunteers, donors and supporters help provide food to families, multi-generational households, seniors and college students. They offer more than just nourishment; they’re helping people in their own community feel a little more secure and find joy in the pleasure of cooking and sharing a meal with loved ones.

Loaves & Fishes feeds hungry and homeless families, children, seniors, veterans, students and disabled individuals throughout the Bay Area. They’re working to remove the barriers to hunger relief in the community.

LEVERAGING COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS: 20%

Recovery Cafe San Jose is a healing community for those who have been traumatized by addiction, homelessness, and mental health challenges. The Café provides the kind of resources and relationships that provide stability and healing. Among its many group and individual programs, Community Meals frame each day and there’s always plenty of coffee.

SYSTEMS-LEVEL CHANGE: 20%

Foodwise is dedicated to growing thriving communities through the power and joy of local food. They envision a world that nourishes all people, local economies and the living earth and achieve this through farmers’ markets and education programs.