

2022

The Commandery committed a total of US\$260,000 to seven different charities during 2021/22. While this was less than the Commandery would normally raise in this period, the major concern was having to postpone the planned Garden Party fundraiser from September 2021 to April 2022, mostly due to concerns with Covid-19. However, the fundraiser achieved its goal and all commitments were funded. A successful golf tournament held in the summer of 2021 added to the funding capability.

Major grants went to seven charities, five new and two repeat organizations. Life Services Alternatives (\$75k) and JW House (\$25k) each received grants for major construction and remodeling projects, they had previously received grants for other projects.

Next Door Solutions, supporting domestic violence victims, received US\$24k for home renovation. St. Louise Regional Hospital was awarded US\$30k towards the cost of a reflective garden for patients with PTSD and mental health disorders. St. Patrick School got US\$25k as part payment for a new HVAC system. Starting Arts, serving 125 schools mostly in disadvantaged areas with hands-on arts experiences, received US\$40k to remodel their rehearsal studio into a Black Box Theater. Lastly Sunnyvale Community Services, working to prevent homelessness and hunger by supporting low-income families, received US\$41k to equip thirteen client conference rooms with A/V equipment to better help their clients.

2021/22

Even with the ongoing impacts of the pandemic, this summer the **St. Joseph Commandery** selected seven charities that will receive grants of a total of \$260,000 which we anticipate funding between now and summer 2022. When fully funded, St. Joseph will have **donated well in excess of \$4.2 million to local charities** since its inception twenty two years ago. The selected charities are:

JW House is an independent, nonprofit hospitality house in Santa Clara that provides hope, hospitality and healing to caregivers and families while their loved ones receive treatment at hospitals in Silicon Valley. JW has requested **\$25,000** for renovation of the Day Use Room so that people can stay overnight.

Life Services Alternatives (LSA) provides affordable housing options for developmentally disabled adults in Santa Clara County. LSA's mission is to provide exceptional community-based living experiences and services for people with special needs. LSA operates 14 licensed residential care homes in the County and has recently purchased the fifteenth home, which was in need of major renovation and refurbishment. The **\$75,000** grant from SOSJ will provide the majority of the cost of this refurbishment.

Next Door Solutions (NDS) is the only stand-alone, domestic violence agency in Santa Clara County, answering approximately 15,000 crisis calls and serving an average of 3,000 survivors of domestic violence annually. Their comprehensive, compassionate, bilingual services are available free of charge. Their services are provided at a 24/7 Emergency Shelter—a 2600 sq. ft., two-story, single-family home built in 1903 that consists of 7 bedrooms and 4 bathrooms, living and dining room, kitchen, and office. The Shelter houses 19 female domestic violence survivors and their children at any one time with an average stay of 38 days. On average, 200 women and children stay at the Shelter each year. The SOSJ **\$24,000** grant will replace all the flooring at the shelter.

Located in Gilroy, since 1989, **St. Louise Regional Hospital** has been caring for the residents in Santa Clara and San Benito Counties by offering a wide range of high-quality inpatient and outpatient medical specialties. St. Louise has 93 beds, is a Designated Primary Stroke Center, and is the only acute care hospital in the area. The **\$30,000** grant will partially pay for a reflective garden, the total budget for the garden is \$100,000. The garden will be a restful place and directly support the treatment of individuals suffering from mental health disorders, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and Veterans.

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Saint Patrick School is a Catholic elementary and junior high school located in the heart of downtown San Jose. In 2004, the Daughters of Charity chose St. Patrick School as a new partner in their mission to serve the least among us. Approximately 88% of students come from low-income families with 90% receiving financial aid. The SOSJ grant of **\$25,000** will partially pay for the purchase of a new HVAC system for the school.

Starting Arts provides hands-on arts experience in 4 disciplines (dance, music, theatre and visual arts) in classes taught by skilled professional artists eager to share their expert knowledge and passion with students. Classes are standards-based and align with the Common Core Standards. Starting Arts, which began in 2000 at one elementary school in Santa Clara, has now served over 125 schools in the Bay Area. The **\$40,000** grant will largely cover the cost of renovating their existing rehearsal studio into a Black Box Theater with features such as mirrors and soft flooring that help dancers with their practice. The renovated theater, which will seat 65 people, will also be provided free of charge to local Title 1 schools in the San Jose Unified, Alum Rock Union and Franklin McKinley School Districts. The schools can use the theater to host assemblies, student concerts and staff development workshops.

Founded in 1970, **Sunnyvale Community Services (SCS)** is an independent, nonprofit emergency assistance agency in the heart of Silicon Valley. SCS's mission is to prevent homelessness and hunger in our local community. SCS is designated as one of seven Emergency Assistance Network (EAN) agencies who together are the safety net for all zip codes in Santa Clara County. The goal of SCS is that all residents are safely and stably housed with food on the table, and with access to medical care and services. SCS addresses immediate critical needs to help low-income families and seniors who are often one bill away from hunger and homelessness. SCS serves every eligible client who comes for help, never turning anyone away due to lack of resources. SCS assists low-income individuals with financial assistance for rent, security deposits, utility bills, car repairs, and gift cards for critical family needs. In addition to financial aid, SCS distributes over 900 tons of nutritious food and produce annually and provides healthcare services through third parties. They will be moving into a new building in October 2021 and our **\$41,000** grant will pay for A/V equipment for thirteen client conference room which will help them better serve their clients.

2020

Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County serves and advocates for individuals and families in need, especially those living in poverty. Each year they serve around 38,000 people, through a broad base of programs driven by a staff of more than 500 and over 1,000 volunteers at 80 community locations. In response to the Covid-19 pandemic CCSCC has been very active in supporting the low-income community. An area of particular concern is rent payments, with the average monthly rent payment in Santa Clara County being \$2,817, with 43% of residents paying double the national average. St Joseph has awarded an immediate **\$50,000 grant** for use by CCSCC specifically for the rent assistance program. After the grant was awarded CCSCC was able, working with the City of San Jose, to leverage our donation into an additional \$4,000,000 of City support for low income rents which CCSCC will manage.

Sunday Friends is a very innovative non-profit, focused on empowering very low income families in San Jose. In response to Covid-19 they have focused on some very specific needs. They have implemented a weekly drive through and home delivery of basic necessities and food to over 140 families a week. They have migrated all their learning programs to online platforms, with over 300 people participating. In addition they have launched an Emergency Assistance Program disbursing payments towards rent relief, food costs and emergency expenses. St. Joseph Commandery has **donated \$50,000** towards this Emergency Assistance Program to be used as needed.

Second Harvest Food Bank is a primary source of food for not only the poor and homeless, but also supplies other food banks in the Bay Area. At this time of pandemic crisis the need has never been greater, with unbelievable lines of people looking for food. The Commandery held a

zoom “Virtual Cocktail Party” both as a social gathering but also as an opportunity to raise funds. With over 57 people attending, 49 of who were Knights and Dames, their generosity resulted in **over \$10,000 donated** with a 50% match from the Commanders designated reserve. Fifty percent of the funds raised, \$7,525, were donated to Second Harvest Food Bank.

Win Win x Two: At the start of the Covid-19 pandemic Mary Jo Garrett, wife of Chevalier Dick Garrett, decided she had to do something to help the health workers. It was realized that while the major hospitals have kitchens and canteens, many of the remote health facilities that were being created had nothing, including no easy access to restaurants. Working with a member of staff at Valley Medical Center Foundation, and with excellent support from Sam’s BBQ, Mary Jo has taken on the task of delivering hot meals every Saturday to both shifts of 20 healthcare workers at the Santa Clara Convention Center. Each Saturday this is a total of forty meals at \$12.50 each for a total cost of \$500 per week. Through some very generous donations Mary Jo had already raised almost \$2,000, but given how long this problem is likely going to last this money would run out very fast. In addition there are many other facilities that could use this kind of help. Note that this program is a true win win as it not only supports our healthcare workers but also our local restaurants. The Commandery held a zoom “Virtual Cocktail Party” both as a social gathering but also as an opportunity to raise funds. With over 57 people attending, 49 of who were Knights and Dames, their generosity resulted in **over \$10,000 donated with a 50% match from the Commander's designated reserve**. Fifty percent of the funds raised, \$7,525, were donated to Win Win x Two, through the VMC Foundation Covid-19 Fund for extension or expansion of Mary Jo’s program.

2019

- **Diabetes Youth Families (DYF)** created and operates the Bearskin Meadow Camp, housing over 750 participants and 150 staff, as a summer camp for children teens and adults with Type 1 Diabetes. The camp needs significant structural and facility improvements, specifically to the bath houses, medical building and dining hall and kitchen. The Commandery has committed \$40,000 towards the costs of these projects.
- **First Community Housing (FCH)** design, develop and manage affordable housing for low-income households. Each of our developments is specifically designed to complement its unique neighborhood. A new construction will provide 40 studios for veterans, out of 179 total, the work will start in Q4 2019. The facility will include a large community kitchen and meeting space. St. Joseph is providing a grant of \$40,000 towards the costs of ovens, refrigerators and industrial grade kitchen finishes and furnishings.

- **Health Trust**, founded in 1996, has a mission to build health equity in the community, ensuring that it's direct services, community grants and policy advocacy help give everyone the opportunity to be healthy, especially the most vulnerable. Health Trust is opening a new Client Services and Operations Center. Our \$75,000 grant will support a portion of the cost of design, renovation and furnishing expenses for this facility.
- **Loaves & Fishes** provides nutritious prepared meals that are delivered and served to disadvantaged individuals with a special concern for families, children seniors, veterans and the homeless. Over half a million meals were delivered within Silicon Valley during 2018. With the volume of deliveries the wear on their current truck is excessive and the Commandery grant of \$38,000 funded the purchase of a new temperature controlled van.



- **The Lupus Foundation** pursues a mission of being a key provider of support services, educational programs, and information to empower lupus patients, their loved ones, and their care teams within Northern California. The \$10,000 grant from St. Joseph will provide capital improvements for its computer, copier and printer hardware as well as specialized software.
- **Sacred Heart Nativity School** provides a Catholic education for 7 to 8 grade students of low-income families who live in urban poverty with family incomes of \$29,000 or less. The families pay \$540 a year in tuition fees and the rest is covered by donations. The school currently has a science classroom that will be converted to a STEM lab. The Commandery grant of \$40,000 will help cover the cost or renovation, tables, chairs, computers, etc.
- **Valley Medical Center** is the county hospital group covering all of Santa Clara County providing world-class healthcare to all residents independent of ability to pay. At the new

rehabilitation facility, in the new Sobrato Pavilion, there is an urgent need for better access to the swimming/exercise pools. St. Joseph is providing \$20,000 for the purchase and maintenance of a new adaptive pool ramp that allows for aquatic wheelchair access and two additional modified aquatic wheelchairs to enable patients with high-level injuries and a wider variety of ability levels access to the pool.

- **The Grateful Garment Project** mission is to help return dignity to victims of sexual violence. When sexual assault victims seek medical attention they are asked to surrender their clothing for DNA evidence. Once clothing has been surrendered, the traumatized victim has nothing else to wear home but a hospital gown...only adding insult to injury. The Project is proud to provide new clothing, food, grooming supplies and other vital resources to Sexual Assault Service Providers throughout California. St Joseph has committed \$40,000 to help pay for a new photocopier, software and IT products and a new cargo van to support product deliveries.
- **George C. Mitchell Elementary School** George Mitchell School is an elementary school in the Monterey Peninsula school district. A high percentage of the students come from military families and low income groups. St. Joseph pledged \$1,000 for the purchase of books and other school supplies.
- Five additional very worthwhile charities made requests for major funding during 2019, but through the selection process could not be funded. The Commandery Council elected to provide each of these a nominal grant of \$1,000 in recognition of their needs and gratitude for their submissions. These charities were **One Step Closer, JW House, Operation Freedom Paws, American Board for Children Diabetics and Courageous Kids.**

2011

- **Valley Medical Centre:** Support went to the Valley Medical Centre for this new facility for spinal cord and traumatic brain injury program. The gift supports the park which is crucial for rehabilitation. It provides a course to train wheelchair users and expose them to various surfaces such as gravel, steps, curves and hills. \$100,000

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Family Supportive

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Family Supportive Housing: This organisation operates a shelter for homeless families in a converted warehouse. They provide a medical case manager to manage the program to address the families’ health needs. The Commandery provided funds for a medical room and related equipment in the residence for care, exams and inoculations. \$50,000

2012

- **Advent Group Ministries:** Advent serves youth who are victims of addictions, abuse, neglect and chaotic family lives. They provide their services through four homes, after school recovery programs, counseling and women’s and children’s refuge. Most kids come from probation programs. For many, Advent is a last chance. One of the recovery residences located in Morgan Hill was in dire need of remodelling after 23 years of use as a group home. The Commandery provided the funding and it is now named “The Knights of St. John’s House”. We also funded a new van. \$100,000
- **National Alliance on Mental Illness:** In partnership with Veteran’s Affairs, the Alliance teaches military families how to support and advocate for their loved one. One focus is increasing the awareness by families of the resources available to handle Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. The Commandery paid for kiosks and LCD displays describing the available resources and placed in appropriate locations such as Veteran’s hospitals and community colleges. \$79,072

2013

- **Defenders Lodge (Palo Alto):** provides short term lodging for outpatient veterans and their caregivers while receiving medical treatment. This new facility is operated by the Veteran’s administration. The grant will help defray the construction costs. \$100,000
- **Mission Hospice and Home Care:** A San Mateo based non-profit providing end of life care. Their rapid growth meant a need to upgrade their information structure, especially

their Electronic Medical Record system. The program includes training of clinical staff, a common omission in such systems. \$100,000

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Hospice of the Valley[/caption]

- **Life Services Alternatives:** This group provides affordable housing options for developmentally disabled adults in Santa Clara County. They purchased their eleventh home which needed major renovation and refurbishment. The grant paid for the majority of the refurbishment. \$100,000
- **Hospice of the Valley:** They have provided end of life and grief care to those needing palliative care and their families since 1979. Their computer systems were antiquated. The Commandery grant funded server and software upgrades and the purchase of iPads, and the like to provide access at care locations to medical records for clinicians: \$75,000

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- **Advent Group of Ministries:** See 2012 above. The Commandery funded the modernization of Advent's outdated information and phone systems. \$25,000 matched by others
- **One Step Closer Therapeutic Riding:** This is an adaptive horseback riding center that helps 2000 children and adults, including over 200 U.S. veterans, each year. The Commandery donation will help refurbish the main barn, reducing safety issues. This will help staff to focus on their main objectives. \$50,000
- **St. Leo the Great School (STEM):** This 120 year old school is emphasizing the use of technology throughout the curriculum. The school's top priority is the implementation of a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) program. The total cost was covered by \$35,000 from the Commandery matched by one of our members
- **Services for Brain Injury:** We funded a project to upgrade their outdated information system, including an electronic record management system. \$40, 000

2016

- **Respite & Research for Alzheimer's Disease: Alzheimer's Activity Center:** This organization provides daycare services to older adults with Alzheimer's and related disorders, support for their families, community education, and inter-generational programs facilitated through the co-location of a licensed childcare facility on the Center grounds. It also serves as a small group cooking activity space for participants. SOSJ granted \$60,000 for their project.
- **Live Oak Adult Day Service:** Live Oak Adult Day Care offers caregivers support and relief so that the caregiver can go to work, finish errands and other daily tasks while knowing that their loved one is well tended in a caring environment. In order to enhance the social/spiritual and calming of our clients, Live Oak would like to create a "Sovereign Order of St. John's Garden" at each of their four sites. SOSJ granted \$30,000 to LOACS for the design & construction of the gardens.
- **Hope Services:** Hope Services is the leading provider of services to people with developmental disabilities in Silicon Valley, and serves more than 3,900 people and their families in six counties. One of their major strategic initiatives is implementing an Employment, Media, and Community Connections program, designed to provide opportunities for adults with developmental disabilities to learn, socialize, and receive services and supports that will improve the quality of their lives, and encourage them to be valuable members of the community. SOSJ supported Hope's project with a grant of \$70,000.



- **Costco Ministries:** A local Pastor collects items from three different Bay Area Costco's and delivers them several times each week for the past 7 years! The primary beneficiary of these precious gifts from Costco and administrated by this Pastor is City Team: Heritage Home and House of Grace. Providing compassionate ministry for women who are pregnant and have no where else to turn and where abused and/or addicted women can rebuild their lives without being separated from their children. SOSJ gave this Ministry a grant of \$35,000 to replace the aged truck-trailer.



- **Family Supportive Housing:** (See 2011) Family Supportive Housing completed the construction of a new residence for homeless families that combines the short term housing program with services to empower the families to move to self-sufficiency. For continued support in 2016 SOSJ donated \$10,000 to FSH for the purchase of 18 Dell processors and one networked printer.

2017

Cancer CAREpoint: Cancer CAREpoint was founded in 2010 and provides a wide range of free, non-medical support services to cancer patients and their families. Despite the excellent medical care in the South Bay, non-medical support is lacking. Cancer CAREpoint is the only local organization in San Jose that provides support for cancer patients and their family members, regardless of where they receive treatment, their cancer type, insurance type or ability to pay. Their mission is to transform support for cancer patients, families and caregivers in Silicon Valley through personalized, one-on-one Counseling, Assistance, Resources and Education. They serve almost 1400 cancer patients and their families annually.

SOSJ is providing funding of \$25,000 to purchase twelve new computers to replace current computers, the majority of which are over 7 years old. This would significantly enhance their productivity and enable them to improve the way they track and support their patients.

Homeless Veterans Emergency Housing Facility (HVEHF): HVEHF has provided transitional housing and supportive services to over 8000 homeless Veterans since its founding fourteen years ago. These vital services include housing, linkage to VA treatment programs, drug and alcohol rehabilitation, Mental Health and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) treatment.

HVEHF's transitional housing program is designed not only to provide stable housing, but also serve as an access point to VA health care and benefits. Currently, the facility has 25 treatment beds and 125 transitional housing beds for homeless in need of emergency housing services. They feed 150 homeless Veterans daily.

SOSJ is providing a grant of \$65,000 that will be used for a much-needed major kitchen overall as well as to purchase a 15-passenger van that is needed to transport veterans to medical appointments, conduct out-reach efforts and bring homeless veterans to/from the facility to the Palo Alto VA.

JW House: JW House is an independent, nonprofit hospitality house in Santa Clara that provides hope, hospitality and healing to caregivers and families while their loved ones receive treatment at hospitals in Silicon Valley. Whether caregivers live across town or hundreds of miles away, JW House strives to provide a fully-inclusive experience to each day use and overnight guest. Since opening in 2008, they have hosted more than 50,000 individual visits.

JW House provides two types of services: Overnight Services and the Day Use Program. Families who have traveled more than 30 miles to their hospital are eligible for overnight accommodations, and preference is given to families of pediatric patients.

The Day Use program enables local families, as well as others who may not qualify for an overnight stay, to enjoy JW House during the day. They offer private rooms with showers and toiletries as well as day beds. Dinner is served 365 nights per year. All day use services are free of cost.

SOSJ is providing \$38,200 in funding to purchase a number of household items including furniture, appliances, and a security system.

National Association on Mental Health (NAMI): NAMI Santa Clara County's mission is to help people with a lived experience of mental illness and families by providing support, education and advocacy; to promote research; to reduce stigma and discrimination in the community; and to improve services by working with mental health professionals and families. Their mission is accomplished through nine educational and support programs

In 2012, SOSJ provided \$79,000 in funding for the construction of kiosks which are used to make Veterans and their families aware of a special version of NAMI's very popular Family to Family Program that focuses on Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. Currently, SOSJ is providing

funding of \$25,700 to update their failure prone Information System by purchasing sixteen desktop computers and a server.

Homeless Veterans Rehab Program (HVRP): HVRP mission is to help Veterans return to employment and stable housing while maintaining a clean and sober lifestyle. SOSJ provided a \$2,000 sponsorship for the Veterans Run Santa Clara, benefitting HVRP.

Veterans Supportive Services Agency (VSSA): VSSA mission is to help injured Veterans apply for service connected disability compensation or to assist them to file with the goal to reach a level of service connected disability up to 100%, if so richly deserved. VSSA also helps injured Veterans who already filed their claims and/or whose claims were denied. SOSJ provided a \$2,000 sponsorship for the Veterans Run Santa Clara, benefitting VSSA.

Wine Country Marines: Wine Country Marines has mounted a major effort to support families impacted by the Wine Country fires of October 2017. St. Joseph decided to donate \$5,000 to these efforts.

Washington Elementary School: Washington Elementary School in San Jose generally serves the disadvantaged community in our valley. St. Joseph decided to donate \$2,000 to provide much needed books for the school.

Hope Services: Hope Services (HS) HS is a Bay Area-based nonprofit that seeks to improve the quality of life of people with developmental disabilities. Their vision is to promote a common understanding that the world is a better place when people with developmental disabilities are fully accepted and integrated into all aspects of society. In gratitude for what they do and there're support of the St Joseph Christmas Party SOSJ gave a donation of \$5000.

2018

JW House: JW House is an independent, nonprofit hospitality house in Santa Clara that provides hope, hospitality and healing to caregivers and families while their loved ones receive treatment at hospitals in Silicon Valley. JW suffered a major plumbing issue in January 2018 and SOSJ provided the emergency funding of \$2,766 to resolve the problem.

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Hunger at Home Hunger at Home is an independent, nonprofit that distributes donated food to the sick and poor in Silicon Valley. They needed new reusable food containers and racks to transport the food and St. Joseph donated \$1,000 to support this request.

Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County CCSCC serves and advocates for individuals and families in need, especially those living in poverty. Each year they serve around 38,000 people, through a broad base of programs driven by a staff of more than 500 and over 1,000 volunteers at 80 community locations. Eastside Neighborhood Center in San Jose is one of two senior centers operate by CCSCC, serving over 950 low income seniors, providing hot meals, healthcare and other social services. The facility is in urgent need of renovation and repair, in particular to ensure they can continue to pass health inspections. St. Joseph has pledged \$25,000 for this work to be done. Additionally CCSCC headquarters has a suite of offices that it formally leased to a software company. This space, now vacant, needs renovation in order to serve CCSCC expanded staff. The Commandery pledged \$35,000 for this work.

Cristo Rey San Jose Cristo Rey is a Jesuit Catholic high school that empowers students from underserved communities in San Jose. It provides students with a rigorous college prep education and a unique Corporate Work Study Program (CWSP), in which students work in Silicon Valley companies. The work-study program helps students offset the cost of their tuition and also provides them with valuable work skills, instills accountability and confidence and offers access to positive, professional role models. They are completing their campus with a multipurpose pavilion, including a gym, cafeteria and stage. The space will be outfitted with a full IT infrastructure to accommodate 500 students, with projector, speakers and a full PA system. St. Joseph is providing \$26,486 to pay in full for the sound system. Additionally the school has to transport the students to the CWSP participating companies, some as far as 20 miles away. As the school is growing to its full size of 500 students there is an urgent need for a new van to support this transportation. The Commandery has committed \$25,000 to this van purchase.

Veterans Memorial & Support Foundation Los Gatos VMSFLG was formed to honor and support veterans, military service members and their families. The foundation has three missions, the first of which is to build and maintain a Veterans Memorial in Los Gatos. Secondly they will educate the public on the sacrifices borne by those who have defended America's freedom. Lastly they support yellow ribbon programs that deliver humanitarian support to veterans, service members and families, in particular providing support to heroes returning from deployment in adjusting to civilian life. In early 2018 the Los Gatos Town Council approved the memorial, which will be located in front of the Town Center. Our Commandery has committed \$50,000 towards the total fundraising goal of \$1.5m

Operation Freedom Paws Operation Freedom Paws mission is to rescue shelter dogs and match them with disabled clients, training them together as service dog teams. Since their founding in 2010 they have helped over 325 applicants learn to use service dogs to help regain their independence. Approximately 80% of their clients are military veterans. For these veterans having a proper flagpole at the OFP center is extremely important and meaningful. They have secured funding for the pole itself but want to surround the base of the pole with six in-ground, weatherproof bronze insignias, one for each branch of the military and one for POW/MIA. St. Joseph is providing \$10,000 to cover the cost of the plaques.

Home First Home First is a homeless shelter in San Jose. Many of their clients have pets that need to be properly accommodated when in the shelter. St. Joseph is providing \$2,000 for the purchase of crates for the pets.

Good Karma Bikes Good Karma Bikes is a nonprofit social enterprise full service bike shop. Their primary programs are College Opportunity and Outreach Program (CO-OP), which focuses on training foster children and disadvantaged children through a two year college program, Free Repair Clinics and Women's Skills and Open Shop Night, workshops focused on helping women with bike maintenance and road safety skills. The Commandery is providing \$2,000 to buy new desks for the teachers.

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