**OUR 145TH YEAR SERVING SONOMA VALLEY** 

## PULSE OF THE PUBLIC

## Impact 100 Sonoma grants 'indispensable'

EDITOR: Thank you for your ongoing coverage of nonprofits serving Sonoma Valley. Their work is indispensable. At the end of April, 14 organizations meeting urgent needs received funding from the more than 320 members of Impact100 Sonoma, the women's collective giving circle. We awarded \$350,000 in grants, matching our record annual total of

2024, and reaching a cumulative giving total since 2010 of nearly \$4.4 million.

This year's Impetus Grants of up to \$25,000 went to 10,000 Degrees, Cancer Support Sonoma, Career Technical Education Foundation, Girl Scouts of Northern California, Girls on the Run. HomeFirst Services of Santa Clara County, Pets Lifeline, Redwood Empire Food Bank, Sebastiani Theatre Foundation, Sonoma Community Center, Sonoma Ecology Center, Sonoma Splash. Sonoma Valley Mentoring Alliance, and Valley of the Moon Observatory Association. The Sebastiani Theatre Foundation also received our Encore Grant—a second consecutive year of the same funding — to support the renovation of the stage grid and rigging system.

We invite your readers to learn more about our grant recipients past and present, how they put our funding to work in the valley, how to volunteer for them via our Community Service Hub, and how to become a member donor by visiting our website at impact100sonoma.org. Join us in sustaining our essential nonprofit community, which needs our support now more than ever.

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