



Annual Donor Report

August 2015

The Foundation has been instrumental in bringing Project Lead the Way gateway curriculum to our schools, providing engineering and biomedical science experiences that challenge and inspire our students...including this one involving dissecting sheep brains!

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Investing in Local Public Schools



With your support, the WG Foundation is able to pay for curriculum, tools, and supplies teachers use to inspire our students.

Dear Friend of the Willow Glen Foundation,

Please join us in celebrating the Foundation's 15th birthday! During these 15 years, with the active support of our community, we've worked to foster academic achievement and cultural enrichment at Willow Glen Middle School and Willow Glen High School, helping them become two of the most desirable schools in the South Bay.

- In 2015, **WGHS was named by *The Washington Post* as one of the most challenging high schools in the country.** With our excellent teachers and a growing list of Advanced Placement, accelerated, STEM (science, technology, engineering and math), and arts classes enhancing the curriculum, WGHS offers every student the chance to succeed.
- Last year's WGHS graduating **seniors were accepted into some of the most prestigious universities in the country**, including every UC and CSU, as well as Stanford, Princeton, USC, Boston University, and many more.
- This year, **demand to attend WGMS is so high that enrollment is comprised entirely of neighborhood students.** We're proud that the community recognizes the excellent education our public schools provide, and we're excited to welcome our incoming 6th grade families!
- In 2014-15, the Willow Glen Foundation raised more money than ever, funding grants in excess of \$75,000 for WGHS and WGMS to **support science and technology, teacher training, common core studies, cultural understanding, and student life.**

Since its founding, Willow Glen's generous community has supported the Foundation to partner with our talented educators in creating two of the best secondary schools in San Jose. **Our schools have improved with each dollar of financial support and each hour of volunteer time that you've shared.** Thank you for making a huge difference for our neighborhood and our youth!

With our success comes the need to remain diligent and keep improving. The Willow Glen Foundation recognizes the unique role we play in making our schools the best they can be. We look forward to continuing to work with our community to keep Willow Glen atop everyone's list of the best places to live – and go to school – in Silicon Valley.

Thank you for your continued support!



Karen Carter
President

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AUCTION
2015**

**Sunday • Nov. 8 • 3-7pm
WG Public Library**

YOUR DONATIONS AT WORK

SY 2014-15 Allocations

During the 2014-15 school year, the Foundation fueled innovation and creativity at Willow Glen Middle School and Willow Glen High School by funding state-of-the-art tools, teacher professional development, and academic and cultural programs to the tune of \$75,000. Here are the highlights:

At the Middle School

Technology, Tools, and Equipment for Curriculum Enhancement

- *Project Lead the Way* biomedical and engineering materials to bring real-world, hands-on learning to students.
- A mobile Chromebook Cart for the Social Studies Department to support 21st Century curriculum and activities.
- Dreambox adaptive learning software to help close math gaps for intervention and special education students.

Teacher Training and Professional Development

- Teacher registration costs for STEM teachers to attend the National Science Teachers Association Conference
- Anxiety & Depression Intervention teacher workshop.

Motivation and Inspiration for Students

- Annual academic planners for every student.
- Aztec cultural dance performances complementing Social Studies curriculum and promoting cultural awareness.
- Scholastic Magazine subscriptions that provide relevant, age-appropriate news used in classrooms.
- Author assemblies and purchase of classroom and library books.

At the High School

Technology, Tools, and Equipment for Curriculum Enhancement

- 33 laptops and sync docking station for student use.
- Two HP laser printers to enable printing school assignments by students without access to a printer at home.
- Two centrifuges to augment chemistry labs and offer practical, hands-on learning opportunities.

Motivation and Inspiration for Students

- Annual academic planners for all 1,800 students help foster planning and organizational skills.
- Invitational fees and scrimmage expenses for our award-winning Mock Trial team.
- Printed "Potter the Otter, A Tale About Water," a children's book adapted and illustrated by the Advanced Drawing & Painting class.
- Author assemblies and purchase of classroom and library books.



Funding from the Foundation provided the aerodynamics curriculum and materials students needed to craft original foam airplanes designed in their 8th Grade Engineering Science class.

Thanks to donors like you, the Foundation can fund amazing classroom experiences and extracurricular activities — like our award-winning Mock Trial team.





Nearly 50% of our students have no or limited access to computers and internet access at home," says Olga Morales Anaya, one of WGHS's College and Career Counselors. "Because of the WG Foundation, it's much easier for students to complete school work and apply to college."



Save the Date!
Silicon Valley Gives 2016
May 3, 2016
 Help us exceed our 2015 record and support academics and cultural enrichment for all our students

SV Gives Campaign Results

Supporters donate \$10K in 24 hours!

May 5, 2015 was a banner day for the Willow Glen Foundation! That's the day we joined over 800 other nonprofits to participate in Silicon Valley Gives, a 24-hour, valley-wide fundraising event sponsored by the Silicon Valley Community Foundation. We far exceeded our expectations with a number of triumphs, including:

- Topping \$10,000 in donations as well as \$2,500 in matching grants from our volunteer board,
- Ranking #6 out of 305 for unique donations among small nonprofits, and
- Over \$2,000 in SV Gives bonuses for winning several contests such as most unique donors during a given hour.

But the real winners are Willow Glen Middle School and High School, with special funds earmarked for Project Lead the Way's science and engineering courses in the middle school. At the high school, additional desktops and printers will expand the student computer center to bring essential technology to all our students. Thank you to everyone who participated!

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Celebrating Student Artistic Talent

Mr. Stachnick's WGHS Advanced Art class illustrated "Potter the Otter, A Tale About Water" to teach kids that water is the healthy drink of choice. The Foundation grant enabled them to print their project to share their message and artwork with others.

WHERE FOUNDATION FUNDS COME FROM

2014 - 2015 Fundraising



'14 Tasting Event Membership Corporate Giving
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Over 300 people enjoyed an afternoon sampling delicious food, wine, and beer at the Foundation's 2014 Tasting Event.

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Our apologies for any inadvertent omissions.

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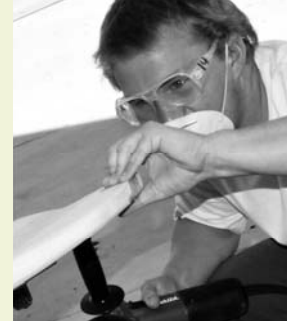
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