

**From:** [Jose Santos](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Agenda Item 7.2 in support of LAMVCF and Reach SV American Rescue Plan Act Funding for Workforce Development  
**Date:** Friday, May 5, 2023 9:41:34 AM  
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Dear City Council Members of Mountain View,

Attached please find a letter of support for the partnership of the Los Altos Mountain View Community Foundation and Reach Silicon Valley. These two organizations have teamed up to deliver a powerful workforce development plan to address a gap in a community that expresses a desire to be financially secure. A grant of \$75,000 will help them meet and exceed the deliverables to address economic mobility for the most vulnerable in our community.

The LAMVCF and Reach SV American Rescue Plan Act Funding for Workforce Development plan has our full support.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Warmly,

Jose Santos  
Director, Community Outreach  
CityLight Church



Dear City Council Members of Mountain View,

I am writing to express my strong support for the grant application submitted by Reach Silicon Valley for funding to support their joint workforce development plan with Los Altos Mountain View Community Foundation. As a member that serves in this community and volunteers with Reach Silicon Valley as well as supported the city's Spanish Language Civic Leadership Academy, I have witnessed firsthand the important work that this organization does to provide support services for the most vulnerable in Mountain View. Not only do they provide the resources that are needed but do so with compassion, dignity, and love.

Reach Silicon Valley has been a cornerstone in our community for many years, and their workforce development plan will be an integral part of their work to meet the needs of our community. A community that has expressed the desire to have access to tools and supports that will help them financially thrive. Reach Silicon Valley's proposal aims at giving community members an opportunity to reach those financial goals and build long-term economic empowerment.

I believe that the support provided by this grant will be instrumental in allowing Reach Silicon Valley to expand the number of families that they can serve, which in turn will provide even greater benefits to the community. With this grant, Reach Silicon Valley will be able to recruit a cohort of up to 30 local food entrepreneurs (women, under-resourced, some undocumented, Spanish speaking, predominantly single parents, and Mountain View residents) connect them, provide the skills needed to get their entrepreneurial ideas off the ground along with financial coaching. This is life changing work.

I urge the City Council to strongly consider the grant application submitted by Reach Silicon Valley, and to provide the full \$75,000 in funding support to help them continue their vital work. The success of this workforce program will have a positive impact on the entire community, and I believe that this grant is a crucial step in ensuring that the most vulnerable in Mountain View have a strong path to economic mobility.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jose Santos  
Director, Community Outreach

**From:** [David Bini](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
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To whom it may concern,

Please see the attached letter in regards to the Trades Orientation Program.

Thank you,

**David Bini**

Executive Director

**Santa Clara & San Benito Counties**

**Building & Construction Trades Council**

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David Bini  
Executive Director  
Brett Davis  
President

**RE: May 9 City Council Item 7.2: American Rescue Plan Act Funding for Workforce Development**

Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers:

On behalf of the Santa Clara & San Benito Building and Construction Trades Council (Building Trades Council), I am pleased to support the recommendation to award \$100,000 in one-time American Rescue Plan Act funding to Working Partnerships USA in support of expanding access for Mountain View residents to high-road construction trades career pathways via the Trades Orientation Program (TOP).

The Building Trades Council is affiliated with 23 construction industry unions and 17 apprenticeship training centers. We are the driving force for excellence in the construction industry in our area thanks to our high level of training in the skills and professionalism needed to keep up to par with the increasingly demanding and ever-changing requirements of the region's high technology companies and developers.

We proudly represent over 30,000 highly trained and highly skilled construction workers who are committed to improving life in Silicon Valley by upgrading area buildings, roads, sewers, bridges and other structures.

We are pleased to partner with the Santa Clara County Trades Orientation Program (TOP), our local pre-apprenticeship program that build on the national, industry-recognized Multi-Craft Core Curriculum (MC3) to help our industry meet the need for a diverse, qualified pipeline of apprenticeship applicants.

TOP works to recruit women, people of color, veterans, youth, and individuals with barriers into the union construction trades, and to expose a diverse pool of community members to opportunities for skilled, high-road green construction careers. The proposed funding will help to expand that pipeline for Mountain View residents so that more community members can enter construction trades apprenticeships where they will learn and work on construction projects throughout Santa Clara County and the Bay Area.

I thank the City Council for considering this item and urge your support.

Sincerely,

David Bini  
Executive Director

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