2024 COMMUNITY
Giving Guide

KERN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
Growing community. Growing philanthropy.
Get to know Kern County's diverse nonprofit community and find your passion!

Nonprofit Strengthening happens as we empower our partners with the increased range of programs and services showcased in the following pages.

There are five categories:
- Arts and Culture
- Education and Youth Development
- Environment and Animals
- Health
- Human Services and Community Benefit

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Thank you for making a difference

Every day, devoted volunteers in our town give amazing gifts of resources and time to help our neighbors grow stronger.

We offer our gratitude to the generous donors and devoted volunteers across Kern County and the Kern Community Foundation for their unlimited spirit and contribution to building a better community for us all. It’s this heartfelt connection that can make a difference in our community and beyond.

Visit us at bankofamerica.com/about.

Thanks to a $5.39 million grant from California Volunteers and the Office of the Governor, a key partnership was formed between Kern Community Foundation and the City of Bakersfield. Kern Community Foundation administers Bakersfield Youth Jobs Program (BYJP) which serves to hire approximately 400 youth starting in June 2022 to June 2026, to work in public and nonprofit sectors. The program provides job training, case management, and mentorship to underserved youth to bolster our future workforce. An array of entry-level positions and career paths has been identified in City departments and nonprofit organizations. These pathways provide both hands-on and technical training to equip youth with experience and knowledge to prepare them for future permanent employment.

BYJP offers several paid programs including a high school summer internship program, a college-level fellowship program, internships with the City’s Parks Mobile team, and internships with local nonprofits. In addition to providing youth with meaningful, temporary jobs, BYJP offers them with a suite of wrap-around benefits. Interns and Fellows receive professional development workshops which provide opportunities to connect with different City departments and develop hard and soft skills within their careers. The dedicated BYJP staff also provide interns with workshops with topics including resume building, mock job interviews, goal setting, communication skills, and leadership.

To learn more about which opportunities are available please visit: www.kernfoundation.org/byjp
What is a Donor-Advised Fund?
A donor-advised fund is an easy and tax-friendly way to support your favorite nonprofit organizations or areas of interest. You can give assets like money, stocks, or real estate and get a tax deduction immediately. Then, you can help your favorite community projects or nonprofits whenever possible.

Over time, your initial charitable contribution can grow without taxes, and you can give your money to nonprofits, making a real difference whenever you want.

Why Choose a Donor-Advised Fund?
Donor-advised funds have become one of the most popular ways to make the most impact with your charitable money. Picking a donor-advised fund with a community foundation has many advantages. Kern Community Foundation has a deep understanding of the local community and experienced professionals. They make giving easy, offer tax benefits, and allow flexible giving. Plus, you can involve your family and leave a lasting legacy. It also connects you to a network of people and groups working to improve the community, and your fund gets professional investment management.

Here’s How:

- Put your money or assets into your fund, and you’ll get a tax break immediately.
- KCF invests your money to make it grow and do more good for the causes you care about.
- You can send your money to nonprofits that help the causes you care about.

Establishing Your Legacy
Starting an endowment, or permanent fund, with a planned gift is a smart, flexible, and tax-efficient way to ensure that the causes you care deeply about will continue to benefit from your generosity for a long time.

By making a planned gift to a legacy fund or a Foundation program endowment fund, you can provide for your loved ones and support the causes and organizations that matter to you. Our philanthropic advisors are experts at helping you figure out the best planned giving strategy to meet your goals. We’ll collaborate with you and your professional advisors, such as estate attorneys, CPAs, and wealth advisors, to maximize your tax benefits and your positive impact on the community.

If you are interested in opening a fund, please email us at info@kernfoundation.org or call us at 661-325-5346.

By considering planned gifts, you gain the flexibility to:

- Specify a certain amount or percentage in your will or living trust.
- Allocate the remainder of your assets, once you and your heirs have been taken care of, through a charitable remainder trust.
- Leave your “residual” estate - what’s left after other bequests have been fulfilled.
- Designate your fund as a beneficiary for your IRA.
ARTS & CULTURE

Bakersfield Art Association
Opportunity for study & improvement of art technique, encourage art in community, offer art scholarships, & exhibition of memmber art locally.
bakersfieldartassociation.org

Bakersfield Community Theatre
To produce a series of plays annually for the community through shared musical experiences.
bctstage.org

Bakersfield Firefighters Historical Society
To restore, preserve and share the valuable history and timeless artifacts of the Bakersfield Fire Department and the surrounding Southern Sierra communities.
bfhistory.com

Bakersfield Master Chorale
To provide a venue in Kern County for the appreciation and awareness of choral music and choral arts education.
bakersfieldmasterchorale.org

Bakersfield Museum of Art
To inspire today’s youth through art and expression providing a healthy, creative, and social alternative world wide.
datkrewsacademy.org

Bakersfield Symphony Orchestra
Presents symphonic concerts and support music education and community activities, including youth performances and college scholarships.
desertcommunityorchestra.weebly.com

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Empty Space Productions
Providing affordable, professional quality live theatre to Kern County and creating opportunities for artists to study and improve their craft.
eshowline.org

Friends of the Tehachapi Depot
To educate the public on the history and impact of the railroad in our communities and geographic area.
tehachapidepot.com

Historical Society of the Upper Mojave Desert
To collect, preserve, protect artifacts on the cultural history of region, and to educate for public benefit historical material and buildings.
hausmrd.org

KAXL 88.3 Lite FM
Using Christian Music and compelling media in a culturally relevant way to encourage faith and unite our community.
kaxl.com

Kern County Museum Foundation
To showcase the history of this remarkable part of California, through preservation, education, and celebration.
kerncountyfoundation.org

Kern County Scottish Society
To promote and preserve Scottish heritage and culture.
kernscott.org

Kern Dance Alliance
Advocacy organization supporting and promoting dance and the arts in Kern County, CA.
kerndance.org

Kern River Paiute Council
To research and publish local history and to collect and exhibit artifacts relating to the history of Shafter.
shafterdepotmuseum.org

The Arts Council of Kern
To provide support, and promote arts access, advocacy, and education for all Kern County residents and visitors.
kermarts.org

The Fox Theater Foundation
Enhance the quality of life in Kern County through the effective operation of the Historic Fox Theater as the area’s premier cultural center.
thebakersfieldfox.com

The Green Hotel Restoration Foundation
To preserve the Hotel and historic oak and provides access to the community.
thegreenhotel.org

The Hub of Bakersfield
Committed to redefining - revitalizing Bakersfield, California’s urban core.
thehubofbakersfield.org

Valley Public Radio
Expanding your world through voices and sounds that inform and inspire.
kvpr.org

White Wolf Wellness Foundation
Enhancing community wellness, arts, mindfulness and culture through Okihi, an outdoor riverfront mindful retreat space.
whitewolfwellness.org

Creative Crossing Co-Creates
To empower artists and communities by equipping artists with the tools necessary to recreate communities through all forms of arts.
creativecrossing.org

Dance Fitness Academy & Healing Arts
To use therapeutic benefits of art for fiscal and mental wellness to create a difference in the community.
academyofdfitalia.com

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shafterdepotmuseum.org

LQ’s Performing Arts Center
To provide the most professional instruction of the Performing Arts while emphasizing the proper technique and creativity to all ages.
lquppac.org

Maturango Museum of Indian Wells Valley
To preserve, interpret and develop an appreciation for the natural and cultural history of the Northern Mojave Desert.
maturango.org

Petroglyph Educational Foundation, Inc.
To raise public awareness about significance of Native American History, culture and rock art, and importance of protecting these NA contributions.
rpfestival.com

Ridge Route Communities Museum & Historical Society
Collecting and preserving the history and artifacts in the mountains south of Bakersfield and north of Castaic.
ridgeroutemuseum.org

Ridgecrest Chamber Music Society
To promote education and awareness of genre of chamber music and provide community members access to high quality music.
cocchambermusic.org

What Your Help Does

- **Bakersfield Art Association** - $1,000 will support either a high school or college student pursuing art education or help one or two teachers improve their art programs.
- **Empty Space** - $100 helps provide free tickets for 10 people for one performance.
- **Historical Society of the Upper Mojave Desert** - $50 will pay for an educational presentation to elementary school-age children on historical materials.
- **Ken River Valley Historical Society** - $100 would sponsor an outdoor informational sign for our displays.
- **Ridge Route Communities Museum & Historical Society** - $300 will cover our public summer patio programs.
**African American Network of Kern County**
Through unity, promote responsible and meaningful programs to educate, create economic parity and job opportunities, and produce positive role models.
aankc.org

**African Children’s Schools**
To build schools for rural children in Africa in areas where there is no public education available.
africanchildrensschools.org

**Athletes’ Advantage Academy**
Dedicated to the radical optimization of human health, physical fitness, and athletic performance.
a3bakersfield.com

**Bags4Kids**
To provide comfort bags to displaced children.
bags4kids.org

**Bakersfield College Foundation**
Creating partnerships and building support for the benefit of students, staff, and faculty at Bakersfield College.
supportbc.org

**Boys & Girls Clubs of Kern County**
To guide at-risk youth through quality educational and athletic after-school programs.
bakersfieldpoliceactivitiesleague.org

**Bakersfield Police Activities League**
To promote peace and global awareness through cultural and social interaction with citizens of Bakersfield’s Sister Cities around the world.
bakersfieldpoliceactivitiesleague.org

**Best Buddies**
Providing opportunities for friendship, leadership, and employment to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.
bestbuddies.org

**Bitwise Impact**
To uplift communities by driving innovations in workforce and economic development, creating a more equitable society.
bitwiseindustries.com

**California State University Bakersfield Auxiliary for Sponsored Programs Administration**
Administering externally sponsored programs and research projects on behalf of the University for the charitable and educational benefit of students, faculty, staff, and alumni.
csusb.edu/grasp

**California State University, Bakersfield Foundation**
Advocating for CSUB to government and to the community, and fundraising for CSUB programs and activities.
csusb.edu

**Centennial High School Athletic Booster Club**
A passionate group of parents, community members and fans who want to see CHS’s athletics be the best it can be.
facebook.com/redzonaboosterclub

**Cerro Coso Community College Foundation**
To support access, success, and excellence for students, faculty, and staff at Cerro Coso Community College.
cerrocoso.edu/foundation

**Charmed & Chosen**
To provide resources, assistance, mentorship, life skills, job/college preparation, financial literacy to individuals and communities in need.
charmedandchosen.org

**Children to Love International**
To provide hope for suffering children in the name of Jesus.
childrentolove.org

**Children’s Ivy Legacy Foundation**
To support the arts, athletics, activities and clubs at BHS, in pursuit of a full and enriching academic experience for every student.
bakersfield.kernhigh.org

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To collaborate with local agencies to secure & manage resources for educational, leadership & philanthropic programs of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Bakersfield.
bakersfieldivylegacy.org

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**Bakersfield North Rotary Foundation**
To act as the charitable arm of Bakersfield North Rotary Club to support children in the Greater Bakersfield area, particularly those serving children and youth.
bakersfieldnorthernrotary.org

**Bakersfield Parent Nursery**
To encourage and promote education through parent, child and family involvement in our school and community.
bakersfieldparentnursery.com

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To promote peace and global awareness through cultural and social interaction with citizens of Bakersfield’s Sister Cities around the world.
bakersfieldsisitercity.org

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bakersfieldparentnursery.com

**What Your Help Does**

- **Bakersfield Ivy Legacy Foundation** - $100 will provide a single book scholarship for one graduating high school senior, assisting with textbook expenses.

- **Dreams and Hope for the Children** - $150 will sponsor a child to attend our mindful coping skills workshop. This will include food and workbook. Serving low-income families.

- **Kern Athletic Fencing Foundation** - $200 provides fencing equipment for one child.

- **League of Dreams** - $30 will pay for a uniform, pictures and trophy for one athlete.

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Friends of Kern County Library
To support programs at all Kern County library branches.
kemcountylibrary.org

Get Focused, Stay Focused
To ensure that every student graduates from school with an informed career choice and up-to-date ten-year plan.
getfocusedstayfocused.org

Girl Scouts CCS
(Girl Scouts of Central California South)
Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence and character to make the world a better place.
girlscoutsccs.org

Golden Empire Youth Football & Cheer Inc.
To provide a competitive youth tackle football program as well as a Sideline youth cheer program for elementary and junior high school students.
geyf.org

Guardians Around The Earth
Providing STEM edu-care for our youth, caring education and action for our environment and supporting caregivers of community and/or family life.
guardiansaroundtheearth.org

Heritage Oak School
To educate, promote, establish, and equip students in the classical approach to education in light of a Christian world view.
heritageoakschool.info

Innovate Adolescence, Inc.
Cultivating a dynasty of leaders.
jimberkeducationfoundation.org

Jim Burke Education Foundation
To provide opportunities for students to excel by enhancing educational and leadership development opportunities through scholarships, grants and match.
jimberkeducationfoundation.org

Kern County 4-H Clubs
Engaging youth in reaching their fullest potential while advancing the field of youth development.
advisors4.ukc.ca/4h/4hfoundation

Kern County Historical Society
A countywide membership organization founded in 1931, for persons interested in Kern County history.
kernhistoricalsociety.org

Kern County Sheriff’s Mounted Posse
Benefiting physically and mentally challenged children in Kern County.
kernsheriff.org

Keep Foundation
To promote and support Camp KEEP through various fundraising efforts.
campkeep.org

Christian Youth Film Society, Inc.
To promote and support Camp KEEP through various fundraising efforts.
chrisyouth.com

Kern County Athletic Fencing Foundation
Providing children with fencing training as a reward for academic tutoring.
kernaff.org

Kern Bridges Youth Homes
Committed to providing for the physical, emotional, social, and mental health needs of abused and neglected children.
kernbridges.com

Kern Community Tennis Association
Enabling student athletes from low-income families to enjoy the physical, social, and academic benefits of participating in their high school’s athletic program by providing them with the necessary equipment and instruction.
kerncommunitytennis.org

Kern County Superintendent of Schools
Educational Services Foundation
To provide educational services throughout Kern County.
km.org

Kern County Taxpayers Education Fund
To research, organize and disseminate information and education to the public and business community of Kern County.
kentaxpayers.org

Kern Economic Development Foundation
Dedicated to connecting education initiatives, community partnerships, and business leaders on projects to develop the local workforce to meet the needs of the local economy.
kodemf.org

Kern Literacy Council
Empowering individuals to improve the quality of their lives through literacy education.
kernliteracy.org

Kern Partnership for Children and Families
Seeking to meet needs of low-income and foster children in Kern County.
kepartnership.com

Kiwanis Club of Rosedale Foundation
To better the lives of the children and families of our community one child and one family at a time.
rosedalekiwanis.org

Latina Leaders of Kern County
To foster leadership, to identify and develop opportunities for Latinas, and to influence key issues affecting our community.
keleaders.org

League of Dreams, Inc.
To give every child a chance to play by providing sporting opportunities to children with physical and developmental disabilities.
ourleagueofdreams.com

Lightwave Education
To create tools for individuals to thrive, prosper and succeed through education, mentoring and community outreach.
lighthouseeducation.org

Matrix Entrepreneur Academy
Skills to Last a Lifetime.
matrixentreprenueracademy.org

Minter Field Air Museum Inc
To educate the public about the important role that Minter Army Air Field played during World War II.
minterfieldairmuseum.com

Parent Institute for Quality Education (PIQE)
To provide families with the knowledge and skills to partner with schools and communities to ensure their children achieve their full potential.
piqe.org

Peak Science Center
Providing access to higher education through college planning services and by promoting literacy, family connectedness, and health and wellness.
shamrockplanning.org/communityfoundation

South Kern Sol
Elevating youth’s voice for health and racial equity through Kern County’s nonprofit, non-partisan youth-led newspaper.
southkernsol.org

Southwest Community Nursery School
Parent co-operative that empowers the learn through play experience.
facebook.com/southwestcns

Self-Defense Foundation
To offer low-cost self-defense classes to children, with an emphasis on discipline and respect, and to help them become better citizens.
selfdefensefoundation.org

Southwest Community Planning Council
To provide access to higher education through college planning services and by promoting literacy, family connectedness, and health and wellness.
shamrockplanning.org/communityfoundation

Starbase Edwards
Raising public awareness of the need for scientific and engineering literacy and exemplary teaching practices in STEM education.
starbase-edwards.org

Right to Life of Kern County
Informing the public on life-affirming alternatives to abortion by engaging in public education, campus outreach, and grassroots lobbying efforts.
rltkc.org

Safe Haven Kids League of California City
To provide after-school programs for Greater California City area.
safehavenkidsleague.org

Shamrock Community Foundation
Providing access to higher education through college planning services and by promoting literacy, family connectedness, and health and wellness.
shamrockplanning.org/communityfoundation

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starbase-edwards.org

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rosedalekiwanis.org

R.M. Pyles Boys Camp
To provide at-risk boys with the opportunity to attend a camp that promotes character development, positive male mentoring and education.
pyllescamp.org
Reagan Lee Shibata was born in Ridgecrest, California and now lives in the Kern River Valley. She received the Kern River Valley Community Fund Scholarship. Reagan enjoys sports, playing guitar, listening to music, painting, and spending time with her family. She graduated from Kern River Valley High in 2022 and is currently studying radiological technology at Bakerfield College. Reagan completed the year-long City Hall Fellowship Program with the Bakersfield Youth Jobs Program. She is passionate about helping others and making the world a better place. In high school, she played basketball and softball and was part of the Future Farmers of America.

Reagan is grateful for the opportunities provided by Kern Community Foundation. She said, “This scholarship was the best one I received. Without it, I couldn’t continue my education because of the cost.” Reagan appreciates that Kern Community Foundation didn’t just give her the money and leave her to figure things out on her own; they guided her throughout the process.

Apryl Tovar

Apryl Tovar is a first-generation college student who loves dogs and calls Bakersfield her hometown. She was awarded the Kern Futures Renewable Scholarship, which has helped her pursue her dreams. Currently, Apryl is working towards her master’s degree in public administration at CSUB. Her goal is to make a positive impact on students in her community and other communities like hers, and to break the cycle of generational challenges. Apryl completed the year-long City Hall Fellowship Program, which is a part of the Bakersfield Youth Jobs Program.

Apryl graduated from Arvin High School, where she actively participated in the Associated Student Body and Spanish Club. She earned a full-ride scholarship to Union College, a private liberal arts college in New York. At Union College, Apryl excelled in her studies and earned a double major in psychology and anthropology with honors. Apryl’s journey is an inspiration to all. She demonstrates the power of education and the value of embracing new opportunities. With her dedication and passion for making a difference, Apryl is determined to create a better future for herself and her community.

Kern Community Foundation is proud to partner with the Bank of America through their Student Leader program, a vital initiative that has been part of our commitment to youth employment and economic mobility. Nationwide, this program extends its impact, providing over 3,400 teens and young adults with summer job opportunities across 91 nonprofits.

The program equips diverse, community-minded young students with the skills and experiences needed to thrive in the workforce. Through leadership training and an eight-week paid summer internship with local nonprofits, Bank of America Student Leaders gain invaluable hands-on experience. In Kern County alone, over 50 students are connected to opportunities with organizations such as the Boys and Girls Clubs of Kern County, Garden Pathways, Kern Economic Development Corp., and Taft College.
ENVIRONMENT & ANIMALS

Bakersfield SPCA
Kern County’s Only No-Kill Shelter provides homeless animals with a safe haven until they can be rehomed. bakersfieldsPCA.org

Buster’s Pet Fund
Providing medical attention and rescue to sick and injured Kern County animals, especially those in rural communities. buster legacy.org

California Breakfast Burritos
To foster the spirit of pack burro racing; to train, care for, and adopt burros; and to educate the public in the same. calbreakfastburros.wixsite.com/ calbreakfastburritos

Almost Eden Rescue
Saving at-risk domestic animals and promoting spay/neuter, shots, and microchipping. almostedenrescue.com

Bakersfield Pet Food Pantry
Helping our community by providing temporary assistance of emergency pet food to families suffering financial hardships, low income seniors, disabled persons, and homeless individuals. bakersfieldpetfoodpantry.org

Critters Without Litters
Saving at-risk domestic animals and promoting spay/neuter services. Helping pets and pet owners with low-cost spay/neuter services. critterswithoutlitters.org

EQUINE RESCUE OUTAKONTROL
Rescuing abandoned, abused, slaughter bound horses, we provide life saving medical care and rehabilitation for adoption. outakontrol.org

Fur Friends 4 Life
To help as many dogs as possible, educate the public on the importance of spay/neuter, and to one day have fewer dogs roaming our streets. furlife4friends.org

H.A.L.T. (Helping Animals Live Tomorrow Rescue)
Rescuing homeless dogs and cats and finding them the loving homes they deserve. halturn.org

Have A Heart Humane Society
Providing rescue and low-cost vaccination and spay/neuter because cats and dogs enrich and heal our lives and deserve a caring home. haveahearthumanesociety.org

California Living Museum Foundation (CALM)
Supporting the California Living Museum, Kern County’s native zoo and gardens. calmoo.org

California Trout
Ensuring healthy waters and resilient wild fish for a better California. caltrout.org

Consulting and Rescuing Equine (CARE), LLC
To provide a safe haven for equine and companion animals, and to help owners keep their animals for life by providing financial assistance. consultingandrescuingequine.com

Critters Without Litters
Helping pets and pet owners with low-cost spay/neuter services. critterswithoutlitters.org

Kern River Conservancy
Implementing our education initiatives focused on watershed conservation, responsible public land use, native trout preservation and community outreach. kernriverconservancy.org

Lifesavers, Inc.
Saving wild and domestic horses from abuse, neglect and slaughter, and providing healing programs to the public. wildhorsesarecure.org

Marigold Farms Inc
To contribute regeneratively grown produce, herbal remedies, and seedlings to the local community. marigoldfarms.wixsite.com/ pinehomestead

Marley’s Mutts Dog Rescue
To rescue, rehabilitate and rehome discarded/abused & forgotten animals. marleysmutts.org

Keepers of the Kern
Restoring, protecting, and preserving the quality and uniqueness of the Wild and Scenic Kern River. keepersofthekern.org

Kern Audubon Society
To educate all age groups about the importance of birds and wildlife through outreach, field trips and citizen science. kernaudubonsociety.org

Pacific Waterfowl Rescue
To rescue, rehabilitate, and rehome domestic ducks & geese. We also provide education to discourage “dumping” of ducks and geese in public areas. pacificwaterfowl.org

Plumas Corporation
Fostering good land stewardship through conservation decisions and environmental policy. plumascorporation.org

Project Clean Air
Striving to enhance the community by improving air quality through education and collective action. projectcleanair.us

Quail Springs Permaculture
Empowering students of all ages and backgrounds with knowledge, skills and inspiration essential to cultivating ecological and social health. quailsprings.org

REDUCTION RANCH
Rescuing animals to rescue people in need of redemption. redemptionranchcs.org

Sand Creek Rescue, Inc
 Primarily rescuing and giving hope to horses that are the most difficult to place: pregnant mares, mares with foals and stallions. sandcreekrescue.org

Sequoia ForestKeeper
To protect and restore the ecosystems of the southern Sierra Nevada - including both the Sequoia National Forest and the Giant Sequoia. sequoiaforestkeeper.org

Sequoia Riverlands Trust
To inspire love and lasting protection for important lands. sequoiariverlands.org

The Cat People
To end the needless suffering of felines in Kern County through rescue, rehabilitation, adoption, community education, and low-income assistance programs. thecatpeople.org

The Earth Organization
To resolve clean water supply issues, regenerate land, and bring about a healthier world for all. theearthorganization.org

The Wildlands Conservancy’s Wind Wolves Preserve
To preserve the beauty and biodiversity of the Earth and to provide so that children may know the wonder and joy of nature. wildlands conservancy.org

Tree Foundation of Kern
To help improve our air quality, beautify our local landscape, promote physical and mental health through trees as well as educate our citizens about trees, their benefits and care. treefoundationofkern.org

Toues Unlimited
To conserve, protect and restore North America’s coldwater fisheries and their watersheds. tu.org

Western Rivers Conservancy
Conserving land along rivers to protect habitat for fish and wildlife, sources of cold water and provide public access. westernrivers.org

Whiskers, Paws, Hooves and Claws Animals Advocacy
Dedicated to horse rescue and rehabilitation, specializing in livestock and equine fostering, emergency response, and community service. hooves-paws.org

What Your Help Does
- California Breakfast Burritos - $25 pays towards fuel to haul burros to visit an assisted living facility.
- CALM - $300 will help care for one animal in CALM’s wildlife Rehabilitation Center for one week.
- Kern River Conservancy - $100 pays for trash and portable toilet amenities in campsites along the Wild and Scenic Kern River to help keep clean water quality for native trout and wildlife sustainability.
- Redemption Ranch - $50 helps provide treats and toys for our pups.
- Tejon Ranch Conservancy - $500 will help sponsor community hikes and naturalist-led guided exploration for underserved youth at Tejon Ranch.
Empowering Kern County: Give Big Kern Makes a Difference

- Kern Community Foundation (KCF) is a nonprofit organization with a powerful mission: Growing Community. Growing Philanthropy. Our goal is to help make Kern County a better place to live, work, and visit by being a resource for local nonprofit organizations, donors, and businesses who want to do good.

- KCF’s premier event is Give Big Kern. It happens every year on the first Tuesday of May and helps local nonprofit organizations raise money and volunteer hours. Since 2016, Give Big Kern has raised millions of dollars from thousands of donors for hundreds of local nonprofits.

- Give Big Kern has been recognized for its outstanding contributions. It has won the Greater Bakersfield Chamber of Commerce’s Beautiful Bakersfield Awards in 2019, 2020, and 2022. This award shows how Give Big Kern improves our community. In 2023, Give Big Kern has achieved its most successful year yet, raising a record-breaking $965,893 for local nonprofits. 3,156 generous donors, benefiting 137 local nonprofits, supported Give Big Kern. The collaboration between Kern Community Foundation and community-based organizations helps these nonprofits get the resources they need to grow and make a lasting impact.

- Remember, every donation makes a big difference in the lives of Kern County residents. By supporting Give Big Kern, you actively contribute to making our community stronger. To learn more or get involved, visit givebigkern.org. Together, we make a lasting impact and empower Kern County, one act of giving at a time.

- Give Big Kern gives people in Kern County a chance to support local organizations that make our region better. You can help by donating money online - every dollar makes a big difference - or by offering your time as a volunteer. Since 2016, Give Big Kern has raised over millions of dollars from thousands of local nonprofits and gathered thousands of pledge volunteer hours from people in our community. The money raised goes directly to the participating nonprofits to support their important work. To empower nonprofits, Give Big Kern offers workshops, marketing materials, incentive prizes, and free events for nonprofit organizations to help them succeed. All of this is possible because of the generous support from sponsors.

Give Big at the Park

The inaugural Give Big at the Park showcased over 60 nonprofits, informing the public about their mission.

GBK Press Conference

GBK Press Conference held at the Padre Hotel announces the creation of Giving Day.

GBK Watch Party

The annual Give Big Kern Watch Party at Temblor Brewing Company celebrates the hardworking nonprofits on Giving Day.

GBK Amount Raised Per Year

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Giving to nonprofits throughout Kern County
Advanced Center for Eyecare
To offer high-quality eye care services to the uninsured, underserved, and uninsured local population.
accares.org

Adventist Health Bakersfield
Living God’s love by inspiring health, wholeness and hope.
adventisthealth.org/bakersfield

Adventist Health Tehachapi Valley
Living God’s love by inspiring health, wholeness and hope.
adventisthealth.org/tehachapi-valley

ALS Association Golden West Chapter
To discover treatments and cures for ALS, and to serve, advocate for, and empower people affected by ALS to live their lives to the fullest.
asagoldenwest.org

Alzheimer’s Association
To eliminate Alzheimer’s through research; provide support for all affected; and to reduce dementia through brain health.
aalz.org/local

Apple Core Project Inc
To fight hunger locally by using sustainable practices through hands on gardening, nutrition, and food bank partnerships.
applecoreprojectinc.com

Bakersfield Memorial Hospital
Contributing to the quality of life in our community by funding healthcare technology and services at Bakersfield Memorial Hospital.
supportbakersfield.org

Bakersfield Pregnancy Center
Empowering individuals to make healthy, life affirming choices regarding pregnancy and sexual health.
bpcapartners.org

Baby Café Bakersfield
Providing access to breastfeeding care and education for families in Kern County.
babycafebakersfield.org

Bike Bakersfield
To promote bicycling as a safe, fun and environmentally friendly means of everyday transportation.
bikebakersfield.org

Black Infant Maternal Health Initiative
Striving for birth equity through unity and empowerment.
kmibinhiv.com

Bristol Hospice Foundation of California
(Formerly Optimal Hospice Foundation) To fund hospice care services for the uninsured and support bereaved families with programs like Kids Camp.
bristolhospicefoundationca.org

CSF Medical Nonprofit Foundation
To provide medical access to preventative health screenings to underinsured and uninsured individuals in Kern County.
csffoundation.org

Foundation ThinkAgain
To significantly increase the functionality and improve the futures of pediatric cancer and brain tumor survivors by providing needed rehabilitation therapies.
thinkagain.org

Global Family Care Network
To protect and restore young at risk girls through girls’ empowerment clubs and a homeless/runaway youth shelter.
globalfamilycare

Hina Patel Foundation
To increase Sickle Cell Awareness and provide education and services to enhance well being of affected people and their families.
hinapatelfoundation.org

Hoffmann Hospice
To celebrate the sanctity of life, provide compassionate end-of-life care and comfort the grieving.
hoffmannhospice.org

Houchin Community Blood Bank
Kern County needs blood, platelets, and plasma so no one fears losing their life over a shortage.
hcbb.com

Learning Dynamics, Inc.
To make psychological and educational support affordable and attainable for all ages.
learningdynamicsinc.org

Leukemia & Lymphoma Society - Central California
To cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin’s disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families.
lls.org/cca

Links for Life
To provide service to women and families affected by breast cancer. Fund diagnostic services for the detection of breast cancer.
linksforlife.org

National Multiple Sclerosis Society,
Southern California & Nevada Chapter
People affected by MS can live their best lives as we stop MS, restore function and improve the quality of life of patients and their families.
nationalmssociety.org/chapters/california

Nurse-Family Partnership
Empowering first-time mothers living in poverty to successfully change their lives and the lives of their children.
nursefamilypartnership.org

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- Public Safety Professionals Retreat (PSPP) - $1,500 will cover the cost of supplies for a full retreat

Kern Valley Hospital Foundation
To provide support to the Kern Valley Hospital by funding educational programs and services that will have a positive impact on patients, employees and the Kern Valley Community.
kvhd.org/foundation

Kern Down Syndrome Network
Improving the quality of life and education for people with Down syndrome.
kdnsd.org

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Assisting Kern County residents who need financial assistance in obtaining treatment for cancer and associated diseases.
 kerncountycancerfoundation.org

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Organizations with an asterisk have been set up in support of a specific organization and are considered Agency Endowed Funds. These local charities or causes understand the power of growing resiliency through endowment. Endowed funds are like insurance for a rainy day—or for seizing upon opportunities. They can provide funds when you need them most and are always an asset—never a liability.

- Arthritis Association of Kern County Fund
- Bakersfield ARC Foundation Endowment Fund*
- Bakersfield High School Endowment Fund*
- Bakersfield Museum of Art Fund*
- Bakersfield Pregnancy Center Stewardship Fund*
- Buena Vista Museum of Natural History & Science Fund*
- California Living Museum (CALM) Al Robbins Endowment Fund*
- Heart Never Forgets Endowment Fund*
- Kern River Preserve Stewardship Endowment Fund
- Leaders in Life Endowment Fund*
- Links for Life Legacy Endowment Fund*
- Peter Anthony Catholic Education Fund
- Shafter Historical - Ohannesson Fund*
- SSRS Stewardship Endowment Fund*
- The Cat People Endowment Fund*
- The Fox Theater Foundation Endowment Fund*
- The Golden Empire Gleaners Endowment Fund*
- The Women’s and Girls’ Fund at Kern Community Foundation
- West High School Alumni Association Endowment Fund
- Westminster Presbyterian Church Foundation Endowment Fund*
- Westminster Presbyterian Church Foundation - Global Gifts End*
- Youth 2 Leaders Education Fund*

It is easy to establish an endowed fund at Kern Community Foundation. We offer a number of options to fit each donor’s—or nonprofit’s—philanthropic mission. To learn more about other ways to establish an endowed fund, contact us at info@kernfoundation.org or 661-325-5346. Not ready to establish an endowed fund at this time? It is also easy to support any one of the endowed funds listed above. Simply go to our website, kernfoundation.org, click on the “Donate Now” button and choose the fund you wish to support. You can also make a donation over the phone using a major credit card. Just call us.

Growing Resiliency Through Endowment

Kern Connected Community Network

The Kern Connected Community Network (KCCN) was established in 2020 as a local initiative aimed at addressing the social determinants of health and connecting individuals to community resources. Research has shown that 40 percent of a person’s health outcomes are influenced by social and economic factors. By tackling these social needs, KCCN provides holistic care and supports individuals in achieving their best health and wellness. Since its inception, KCCN has successfully served over 3,000 clients and partners with more than 140 organizations.

KCCN is built upon a collaborative network of community partners who exchange electronic referrals and monitor outcomes for vulnerable populations. A key component of this network is the technology platform Unite Us which simplifies the process of referring individuals to social services. It electronically connects an individual’s entire “care team,” enabling coordinated care and relieving clients from the burden of navigating these crucial services on their own.

Kern Community Foundation serves as the convener and fiscal agent for the KCCN. We bring together a diverse group of community-based organizations and agencies, fostering collaboration within the network. As we move forward, the Kern CCN aims to establish a more unified support system for Kern County. By equipping our community partners with the necessary tools, we can enhance their efficiency and effectiveness. Furthermore, the data generated through this network will contribute to improving community health outcomes.

Are you involved in supporting vulnerable populations? Would you like to be part of the Kern Connected Community Network and ensure seamless client referrals? We invite you to connect with us by reaching out to info@kernfoundation.org. Together, we can make a positive impact on the lives of individuals in our community.
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<td><strong>Aqua-Nut Divers</strong></td>
<td>To provide a transformative experience for disabled military veterans through scuba at no cost to them, providing a healthy outlet. <a href="http://aquanutdivers.com">aquanutdivers.com</a></td>
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<td><strong>A Dream Shared</strong></td>
<td>To provide a place for people with disabilities a chance to learn, grow, and excel in life. <a href="http://adreamshared.org">adreamshared.org</a></td>
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<td><strong>Alliance Against Family Violence and Sexual Assault</strong></td>
<td>To stop domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking in Kern County and assist survivors in reclaiming their lives. <a href="http://kernalliance.org">kernalliance.org</a></td>
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<td><strong>American Human Services &amp; Community Benefit</strong></td>
<td>Helping people to help themselves. <a href="http://adreamshared.org">adreamshared.org</a> and excel in life.</td>
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<td><strong>Assistance League of Bakersfield</strong></td>
<td>Transforming the lives of children and adults through community programs. <a href="http://bakersfield.assistanceleague.org">bakersfield.assistanceleague.org</a></td>
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<td>Wrapping community around children and families in the foster care system through intentional giving, relationship building, and mentorship. <a href="http://bakersfieldangels.org">bakersfieldangels.org</a></td>
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<td><strong>Bakersfield ARC</strong></td>
<td>To build a stronger community by helping people with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities achieve individual goals for a better life. <a href="http://bark-arc.org">bark-arc.org</a></td>
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<td>To promote Awareness of Small Black owned businesses. <a href="http://bakersfieldblackdollarinitiative.com">bakersfieldblackdollarinitiative.com</a></td>
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<td><strong>Bakersfield Boy &amp; Bullies Rescue</strong></td>
<td>Dedicated to Boxer and Pit bull breeds in Bakersfield, CA. Our main focus is education and helping people KEEP their dogs. <a href="http://facebook.com/bakersfieldboyandbulliesrescue">facebook.com/bakersfieldboyandbulliesrescue</a></td>
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<td><strong>Bakersfield Center for Pastoral Counseling (FACE-USA)</strong></td>
<td>Providing pastoral, professional, and peer counseling for Kern residents in need. <a href="http://freeanglican.org">freeanglican.org</a></td>
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<td><strong>Bakersfield East Rotary Foundation</strong></td>
<td>To provide grants, scholarships and allocations for community, national and international projects. <a href="http://bakersfieldeastrotary.org">bakersfieldeastrotary.org</a></td>
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<td><strong>Bakersfield Foundation</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Bakersfield Recovery Services</strong></td>
<td>Existing to serve people struggling with substance abuse. We strive to improve our community one life at a time by restoring hope to the hopeless. <a href="http://bakersfieldrecoveryservices.com">bakersfieldrecoveryservices.com</a></td>
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<td><strong>Bakersfield Ronald McDonald House</strong></td>
<td>To provide comfort, care and support to children and families in Southern California. <a href="http://mhmhsc.org/bakersfield">mhmhsc.org/bakersfield</a></td>
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<td>To fight for justice and individual rights alongside the most exploited communities of our society. <a href="http://crla.org">crla.org</a></td>
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<td><strong>CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of Kern County</strong></td>
<td>To speak on behalf of abused and neglected children in the foster care process, through the use of highly trained volunteers. <a href="http://kemcasa.org">kemcasa.org</a></td>
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<td>Innovative &amp; holistic in approach. Casa Esperanza is a home for homeless women/children transitioning to independence. <a href="http://facebook.com/casaeesperanzabakersfield">facebook.com/casaeesperanzabakersfield</a></td>
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HUMAN SERVICES & COMMUNITY BENEFIT

Cornerstone Center for Counseling and Discipleship
Offering hope and healing to our community.
cornerstonecccd.com

Covenant Community Services
Providing hope and love to restore lives and transform generations.
covenantsc.com

Defy Ventures
To give people with criminal histories their best shot at a second chance.
defyventures.org

Desert Area Resources and Training
To provide service to people who have disabilities or other special needs, so they can pursue their dreams.
darttarget.org

Dolores Huerta Foundation
To inspire and organize communities to build volunteer organizations empowered to pursue social justice.
doloreshuertafoundation.org

Dress for Success Bakersfield
To educate women about the soft skills needed to achieve economic independence by providing professional tools to help women thrive in work and life.
bakersfield.dressforsuccess.org

Emmanuel Lutheran Church
To faithfully serve the community, spreading love, healing, and justice.
emmanuelbakersfield.org

empowermentDess Perkins Foundation
To restore the hope to the hopeless, disenfranchised, at-risk, and victims-turned survivors of human and sex trafficking.
empowermentdp.org

Exceptional Family Center
To celebrate the success of individuals with I/DD and their families achieved through collaboration, education, empowerment, and mutual support.
kernetc.org

Faith in the Valley - Kern
To build power with our brothers and sisters to bring about justice and eliminate suffering.
faithinthervalley.org

Farmlander Institute of Education and Leadership Development (FIELD)
To empower the underserved to be self-sufficient.
farmlanderinstitute.org

Floord Bakersfield Ministries
To help people overcome their disadvantaged circumstance through the love of God.
floodbako.com

Garden Pathways, Inc.
To transform lives from the inside out through loving, mentoring relationships.
gardenpathways.org

Golden Empire Affordable Housing, Inc.
Expanding Affordable Housing in Kern County.
gahk.org

Golden Empire Gleaners
To help alleviate hunger and provide food for needy persons of all ages.
goldenempiregleaners.com

Goodwill Industries of South Central California
To provide work opportunities and skills development to people with barriers to employment.
thesgoodwill.org

Got Ur 6
To promote the physical, intellectual, emotional, social and economic wellbeing of all citizens of Boron and surrounding areas.
nergut6.net

Greater Bakersfield Legal Assistance
To provide free legal assistance in civil matters to members of Kern County who are unable to afford legal assistance.
gbla.org

H.E.A.R.T.S. Connection
To enhance the quality of life for people with special needs through a family directed resource center.
heartstr.org

Habitat for Humanity Golden Empire
Seeking to put God’s love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities and hope.
habitatbakersfield.org

Healing Hands, Healing Hearts
To provide comfort, care, and connection to the critically, chronically, and terminally ill.
healinghandshealinghearts.org

Helping HART
To provide assistance to law enforcement and victims of hit-and-run accidents.
helpinghart.org

Henrietta Weill Memorial Child Guidance Clinic
Providing mental health and substance abuse services and the resources necessary to promote recovery for children, adults and families.
hwmcgc.org

Honor Flight Kern County
To honor and send America’s veterans to Washington D.C. to see the memorials built in THEIR honor - at no cost to the veteran.
honorflightkerncounty.org

Independence Through GRACE Foundation
A faith-based enrichment program enhancing the lives of adults with intellectual disabilities.
itgrace.org

Independent Living Center of Kern County
Empowering people with disabilities to live as independently as they can.
iloc.kerncounty.org

Indian Well Valley Economic Development Corporation
To enhance the economic prosperity and quality of life in the Indian Wells Valley.
iewedc.co

JJs Legacy
Educating Kern County Residents and inspiring them to become registered organ and tissue donors and by providing support to donor families.
jjsllegacy.org

Junior League of Bakersfield
An organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and to improving the community through volunteers.
jlbbakersfield.org

Keepers Transformation House Women’s Discipleship Program
To restore and empower women in crisis to a dignified and purposeful life in Christ.
keeperstransformationhouse.org

Kern Around the Clock Foundation
Providing each client a quality of life with the appropriate level of care.
bakersfieldcare.com

Kern Autism Network
Providing trustworthy, respectful & caring services that impact the community on the autism spectrum.
kernautism.org

Kern CO Sheriffs Tehachapi Mountains Search and Rescue
Maintaining an organized group of experienced persons to assist the Kern County Sheriff’s Office in conducting search and rescue operations.
facebook.com/profile.php?id=100081763711782

Kern Community Foundation
kernfoundation.org

Kern County WWII Veterans Memorial
To create a permanent tribute honoring all Kern County WWII Veterans and those who supported them.
kerncountywwimemorial.com

Kern Leadership Alliance
To see every believer in Jesus activated in his or her sphere of influence to transform Kern County.
kernleadershipal.org

Kern River Valley Heritage Foundation
Protecting the natural, scenic, agricultural, & historic land of the Kern River Valley through stewardship, restoration and education.
krvhf.org

Kern River Valley Senior Citizens Inc.
Connecting older adults to resources, referrals, and building relationships for healthier living.
facebook.com/people/KRV-Seniors-
100076322289441/

KHSDDlynx
Providing homeless high school students with clean, seasonal, age appropriate clothing, hygiene items, school supplies and food.
facebook.com/KHSDDlynx

Lactation Station Inc.
Offers free education & hands on nurse-facilitated support to our community of mothers.
themotherhoodcollective.net

LifeSTEPS
Provide effective educational and support services to maximize the strengths of families, seniors, and at-risk youth to build resilient communities.
lifesteppusa.org

Kern County Bar Association
To advance the public interest in the legal profession, educational, and community.
kerncountybar.org

L.A. County Sheriff’s Department
Joining the effort to protect and serve the community.
lasd.lacity.org

L.A. County Sheriff’s Department - Narcotics
Joining the effort to protect the citizens of Kern County.
lasd.lacity.org/narcotics

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lifesteppusa.org

Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Kern County
To create a permanent tribute honoring all Kern County MADD and those who supported them.
maddkerncounty.org

母親愛
To support and promote the love of God.
motherlovefoundation.com

Motherhood Collective
Motherhood Collective is a network of mothers, mothers to be, and persons who are involved in the lives of mothers.
themotherhoodcollective.net
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Together Spay It Forward, Inc
veterans still Missing In Action.

Community outreach to inform and

Promoting an effective means of

To provide opportunities, to

To provide opportunities, to

To provide opportunities, to

To provide opportunities, to

Provide an environment conducive

To assist low-income & help them move

To provide suicide education, prevention

To build and sustain healthy homes and

To provide an effective Christian faith-based solution

Together we create life-changing wishes

To assist California in interpreting,

To provide an environment conducive
to the physical, emotional and spiritual

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To empower individuals on the autism

Providing an effective means of

Provides equine-assisted therapies and

To promote mental health within the

PathPoint

Listen to Shafter

MARE Riding Center
Provides equine-assisted therapies and

Mercy House - Brundage Lane
Navigation Center
To be a leader in ending homelessness by

Mercy Housing California
To create stable, vibrant and healthy

Mexican American Opportunity Foundation
To facilitate full Latino participation in the

NALEO Educational Fund
Facilitates full Latino participation in the

NAMI Kern County
To provide support, education and

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) – Bakkerfield
To ensure political, educational, social,

No Sister Left Behind
To establish a networking system of support among Black women to promote
total well-being.

Noel Alexandria Foundation
To raise awareness and provide free

North of the River Recreation Foundation
Preserving the community’s vitality and

Orlie’s Shoe Drive
Providing new shoes and quality time
giving hope to the deserving children

PATH (People Assisting the Homeless)
To end homelessness for individuals,

PathPoint
Working with people with disabilities
to strengthen workplace abilities, build

Portrait of a Warrior Gallery
Keeping the memories of the Kern County

Rebuilding Together Kern County
Repairing homes, revitalizing communities,

Red Rock Canyon
To assist California in interpreting,

Riverview Wellness
Believing in whole body and mind health
to foster connection so our community

Rosamond Hills, Inc.
Providing affordable housing to

Save a Life Today (S.A.L.T.)
To provide suicide education, prevention

Self-Help Enterprises
To work together with low-income families
to build and sustain healthy homes and

SVJ Water
Covering politics of water in the San

Special Olympics Southern California
Enriching and transforming lives through

St. Malachy Conference of St. Vincent
A network of friends building a more just

The Center for Sexuality & Gender Diversity
Providing a safe, supportive space and

The Hope Center Inc
To assist low-income & help them move

The Mission at Kern County
To provide an environment conducive
to the physical, emotional and spiritual

The N.E.E.D.S. D.C, Inc.
To improve clients’ health and wellbeing

The Open Door Network
Supporting homeless families in crisis,

The Salvation Army Service Extension
To provide basic human needs to the rural

The Stewardship Campaign
To provide non-emergency medical transport

The Woman’s Club of Bakersfield
A community service club dedicated to

Teen Challenge of Southern California
Providing youth, adults and families with

Together Spay It Forward, Inc
Funding to provide FREE Spay & Neuter to Kern County dogs and cats. We also provide vaccine clinics & microchips.

togogetherpayforward.com

Trinity Medical Transport Foundation
Providing low-cost and free

To empower communities to

To establish a networking system of

United Way of Kern County
Mobilizing donors, volunteers, and

Valley Achievement Center
To empower individuals on the autism

Valley Center for the Blind
Assisting blind and visually impaired

Victory Family Services
Supporting foster children and families

Vision y Compromiso
Supporting promotora and community

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Aera’s committed to making positive impacts on the lives of residents in the communities where our employees work and live, by amplifying the crucial We will continue producing the oil and gas Californians depend on while helping the state meet employer of choice and a company that does more We value education, environmental stewardship, public health and safety and strong economies and we are passionate about helping Kern County’s future At Aera, we believe that everyone should have access to safe, reliable, and affordable energy and the livelihoods of our neighbors should be made better as we seek to improve the lives outside our buildings.

Volunteer Center of Kern County, Inc. To mobilize people and resources to deliver creative solutions to address community issues through volunteerism. volunteercenter.info

Wendale Davis Foundation To provide resources that will help historically marginalized groups to become productive members in their communities. wendaledavisfoundation.org

Women’s Center-High Desert, Inc. Providing a network of prevention, education and direct client services relating to domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse for Eastern Kern and surrounding counties. wc-hdinc.org

Wounded Heroes Fund Organization for Kern County Veterans and their families, dedicated to facilitating healthy transitions through community, support, and appreciation. thowoundedheroesfund.org

Wounded Warrior Project To honor and empower Wounded Warriors. woundedwarriorproject.org

Y-Empowerment Inc. To help families and individuals overcome adversities through social interaction and education. yempowerment.org

Your Lot and Parcel Preserving historic landmarks for future generations, mental health, physical well-being and in a safe home and family environment. yourlotandparcel.org

A Better Bakersfield & Boundless Kern, otherwise known as B3K Prosperity, is a public-private collaboration to develop a roadmap and investment plan for economic growth and inclusion in Kern County. Building on a rich history of economic development efforts, B3K Prosperity connects and coordinates existing activity for shared problem-solving and the drafting of a blueprint for future regional success. Supporting a rich vision for our community’s future is at the very heart of Kern Community Foundation’s work and we proudly serve as a member of the B3K Core Team.

Since early summer 2020, a group of business, government, education, and community stakeholders have organized to address three primary challenges facing Kern County:

1. Extreme pressure on the industries that historically drive our region’s economy;
2. A lack of quality jobs - and access to them - that would enable residents to be self-sufficient and reach the middle class; and
3. The need to align fragmented regional public-private efforts and investment behind common goals.

Over time, B3K Prosperity will produce several tools to attract investment and promote growth, prosperity and inclusion, such as:

- A map of existing economic development programs, initiatives and organizations;
- A Strategy Report with goals, objectives, tactics and performance measures;
- An Operating Plan with local commitments for action and implementation of collectively agreed-upon goals;
- Investment Prospectuses to seek immediate support for projects; and
- A structure for on going governance, sustainability and maintenance of B3K Prosperity.

To learn more about this exciting initiative and consider opportunities to join us, please visit b3kprosperity.org.