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PRESS RELEASE

209GIVES ONLINE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN SUPPORTING SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY BASED NONPROFITS TO BE HELD APRIL 12, 2022

Over \$555,000 has been raised through 209Gives since the program launched in 2020 – with 100% of funds raised benefiting local nonprofit organizations in San Joaquin County!

STOCKTON – The Community Foundation of San Joaquin (CFOSJ) is pleased to announce that its annual online community fundraiser, 209Gives, will be held Tuesday, April 12, 2022.

Nonprofit organizations across San Joaquin participate in 209Gives, working closely with their network of board members, supporters, and volunteers on this day dedicated to raising much needed funds for local nonprofits. 209Gives is an online fundraising campaign that culminates in a 24-hour digital fundraising event, offering donors an opportunity to engage with local causes through an exciting day of participating in local-driven philanthropy. Being part of 209GIVES allows donors to support local nonprofits as they navigate the challenges of increased demand for services, and the challenges and costs associated with hosting in-person fundraising events.

According to a [2021 economic impact report](#) conducted by University of the Pacific's Eberhardt School of Business, approximately one in every 20 jobs in San Joaquin County is at a nonprofit organization, with a total of 21,610 full-time and part-time jobs in the county being supported by nonprofits. With nonprofits being at the forefront of pandemic recovery efforts, and addressing social, economic, and equity disparities– 209Gives provides a capacity building opportunity for nonprofits at no cost to them.

Thanks to the generosity of sponsors, the Community Foundation of San Joaquin is able to host and underwrite the cost of the 209Gives event– allowing for every dollar donated to support life-enhancing programs like theatre, music, art programs, libraries and museums...and critical services like food pantries, aid for the homeless and so much more.

"We are pleased to partner with our sponsors and nonprofit organizations for this important capacity building effort. In addition to raising much needed funds, 209Gives raises the awareness of the important work local nonprofit organizations provide to our community," said Moses Zapien, CEO and President of the Community Foundation of San Joaquin. *"With the continued increase of demands on nonprofits and their budgets, the importance of giving locally remains critical for the health of the nonprofit sector and greater community."*

Mark your calendar to join us online, Tuesday, April 12th! To participate, visit www.209Gives.org.

ABOUT THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SAN JOAQUIN

The Community Foundation of San Joaquin (CFOSJ) partners with donors to advance the public good through philanthropy. CFOSJ is committed to building a healthy and prosperous community where all can thrive by promoting equity and supporting community connectivity. In 2020 and 2021, CFOSJ granted out more than \$5 million to mostly local nonprofits to support a range of community needs.

For more information about the Community Foundation, visit www.cfosj.org.

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