

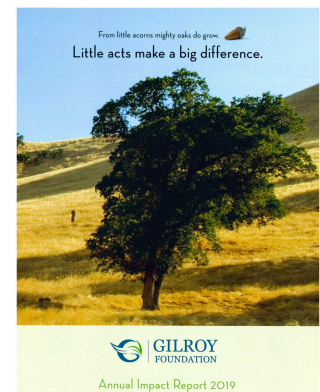
When the dog days of summer are almost behind you, all you can think about is ushering in the cooler weather. You're more than ready to finally trade out those sandals for boots and go for a brisk walk among the changing leaves. We hope you are finding some joy in the beauty of nature, the bounty of the harvest and the hope for the months ahead.

ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT 2019

Gilroy Foundation proudly presents the 2019 Annual Impact Report.

This year's report features details of the Garlic Festival Victims Relief Fund, the work of the Oversight Committee, and the Foundation's efforts in support of it.

Photos, graphs and articles tell the story of 2019, a very busy year at Gilroy Foundation. [Find the report here.](#)



WRAPPING IT UP: 2020 VIRTUAL "DAY IN THE COUNTRY"

Deb Sanchez, Event Coordinator, reported to the Board of Directors at their October 27 meeting the final financial results of this year's Virtual DITC fundraiser. And the numbers are very impressive!



Net proceeds were reported as \$42,400! Congratulations, Deb and Event Chair Lee Blaettler for taking the unknown and bringing it to life.

Following the event, a survey was sent to attendees asking for their input on the Livestream, Online Auction, Text to Donate option, and Social Media campaign.

Guests were also asked what they liked about the event and comments were overall very positive: light-hearted, fun, creative, great speakers, well-produced.....Of course, there is always something to be learned and we appreciate that input, too.

We ask you to Save the Date for next year's event: October 2, 2021!

GILROY FOUNDATION YOUTH BOARD ZOOMS INTO 2020-21

The first meeting of the [Youth Board](#) took place on October 12 with 28 students from local schools and six mentors (pictured) in attendance.

Led by Board of Directors Liaison Sal Tomasello and Staff member, Deb Sanchez, the Youth Board elected their officers for the coming school year. Mentors talked with the students briefly about the overall election process on the local and national levels.



Students can look forward to guest speakers, projects and the grant process in coming months.

Our Youth Board will be holding a non-perishable and canned food drive to replenish the pantry at [St. Joseph's Family Center](#). They will be collecting from family and friends. If YOU would like to participate, you may drop off your donation to Gilroy Foundation offices Monday - Thursday, 9AM-3PM from November 2 - 19.

These youth are the future of Gilroy Foundation and we are very proud of the good work they are doing as they rise to the challenges of 2020.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A MEMBER OF GILROY FOUNDATION?

During the month of November, Gilroy Foundation will send out a new Membership mailing. Please take some time to read and understand what membership means--and how your gift benefits our local community.

Since 1980, Gilroy Foundation has awarded over \$14.8 million in grants and scholarships. We need your continued support to respond to the growing needs of our local community, both now and in the future.

Donors to Gilroy Foundation have various ways to participate in philanthropy in our community:

- *As an annual member with a gift from \$100 to \$1000, your gift to Gilroy Foundation*

goes into the General or Community Needs funds of your choice for grant giving; five percent of year-end balances of those investment funds support the annual grant-making cycle, OR

- *By establishing an individual, family or corporate fund that may be designated to a particular charity; or donor-advised, where the donor makes the annual decision on a grant, OR*
- *By choosing a bequest to the Foundation in your estate planning.*

Community Needs funds, in the fields of Agriculture, Art, Education, Health and Technology benefit the Competitive Grants Program. Each year, Gilroy Foundation receives grant requests that exceed our grantable dollars by more than 200% and we are working to close that gap. Having the ability to donate to one of these funds allows donors to participate in "giving back" to their community in an area that interests them.

Join or Renew Your Membership



The minimum amount to start a separate fund is \$10, 000. Consecutive annual donations via our membership program is another way to establish a fund. When those donations come to \$10,000, a separate fund can be established. All Gilroy Foundation members receive special benefits and recognition. [Find out more!](#)

HOW WILL YOU BE REMEMBERED?

When the future is unclear, it is only natural and an extension of caring, that we get our affairs in order. And, if and when you think of doing this, consider leaving a gift in your will--large or small-- to Gilroy Foundation and become a Legacy Society member. You can



make a tremendous difference in the lives of people right here in our own community.

A legacy gift is not made just by the wealthy; it can be made by anyone and for any amount.

Find out more information on [Leaving a Legacy](#), or contact ED [Donna Pray](#).

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A recent report indicates that the Second Quarter 2020 AmazonSmile donation to Gilroy Foundation totaled \$54.26! Everyday purchases generated over \$200 million in donations to charities worldwide.

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