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## **SOCIAL JUSTICE FUND TO HOLD INFORMATIONAL MEETING**

### **Social Justice Fund Will Provide a Minimum of \$50,000 in Grants To Support Ventura County**

Camarillo, CA -- Would you like to learn about social justice and how to create social change in Ventura County? Explore innovative and effective ways to combat poverty and injustice? Direct philanthropic grants to high-priority social justice projects in a hands-on way?

If so, you could be interested in the Social Justice Fund for Ventura County and its Giving Circle. Come to a free informational meeting on Thursday, October 18, 5:00-6:30 p.m. in the Ventura County Community Foundation's CCF Community Room, located at 1317 Del Norte Road, Camarillo. Wine and cheese will be served.

The Social Justice Fund is a new effort to strengthen democracy in the Ventura County community. The Social Justice Fund will provide a minimum of \$50,000 in financial grants and other support to organizations in Ventura County working to influence community changes that will reduce inequities, lack of opportunity and discrimination.

"Making a positive impact on Ventura County is everyone's responsibility. In our inaugural year we connected and helped to strengthen grassroots organizations who have been doing incredible work in this county. Now we are eager to expand that network and transform our region," said Stephanie Angelini, Social Justice Fund Steering Committee Chair.

Steering Committee members for the Social Justice Fund include Ventura County residents Stephanie Angelini, Judy Bysshe, Sue Broidy, Julie Drezner, Gary Erickson, Jill Fioravanti, Doug Green, Doug Halter, Sharon Hillbrant, Dan Jordan, Terri Lisagor, Kate McLean, Hugh Ralston, and Marcos Vargas.

Please RSVP 805-988-0196 x 114. For more information, please visit <http://vccf.org/sojust.html> to request a free informational packet.

The Social Justice Fund is a donor advised fund hosted by the Ventura County Community Foundation. VCCF's mission is to promote and enable philanthropy to improve our community for good for ever, and to build long term charitable capital to benefit Ventura County. With total assets exceeding \$100 million, VCCF distributed \$8.5 million in grants and pledges in 2006. VCCF has been certified in compliance with national standards for community foundations.

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