

Insight and Impact

Imperial Valley Community Foundation helps donors:

- Explore areas of charitable interest
- Gain valuable insight via research reports on specific causes or issues
- Experience first hand the work of nonprofits via agency tours and personal introductions
- Focus efforts by creating a personalized Strategic Giving Plan
- Track giving with customized reports

Community Knowledge

IVCF shares its valuable community knowledge with donors by providing:

- Donor education events
- Ongoing evaluation of local nonprofits
- Working knowledge of both nonprofit and community needs
- Building rich and accurate data on local nonprofits
- Access to a network of 750+ community foundations across the U.S.



Strategy and Vision

To help donors fulfill their philanthropic goals, IVCF can:

- Serve as a trusted philanthropic advisor and thought partner
- Provide local, national and international grantmaking support
- Help design and administer donor-funded scholarship programs
- Share opportunities to partner with IVCF in support of exceptional proposals from nonprofits



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10 Reasons to Give Through the Imperial Valley Community Foundation

1. A donor-advised fund is easy to establish and eliminates the legal complexities, administrative burdens and compliance requirements of a private foundation.
2. We provide highly personalized service to help you develop a giving approach that matches your financial and philanthropic interests.
3. We make giving easy by accepting a wide range of assets. Our planned giving team can help facilitate even the most complex giving strategies.
4. Our staff continually monitors a broad spectrum of community needs, including arts and culture, education, environment, health, and human services, to help donors invest in the agencies and programs they care about most.
5. We build endowment funds to benefit the community forever and help donors leave a personal legacy.
6. The community foundation is the perfect place to involve succeeding generations in family philanthropy.
7. We bring people and organizations together, convening diverse voices to address solutions to local issues.
8. Donors can make gifts in their name or protect their identity and remain anonymous.
9. A tax-exempt public charity, we offer the maximum income, gift and estate tax benefits allowed under federal law.
10. We effectively manage the assets entrusted to us under the guidance of a seasoned investment committee and independent investment advisor. We report financial performance and audit results in our annual report.



What We Do

We Encourage Philanthropy

The Imperial Valley Community Foundation connects donors and nonprofit agencies working towards a common goal: to improve the quality of life for our community. Our service-driven approach drives every action and decision. Simply stated, we make it easy for donors to grant effective and enduring gifts to charitable organizations whether in Imperial Valley, or across the country. In addition, we partner with nonprofit agencies serving our community, and professional advisors counseling clients on estate and legacy plans.

We Support Philanthropy

The focus of our mission extends to the nexus of local nonprofit agencies serving our community. As the community foundation grows and expand its services, we will help strengthen nonprofit agencies to better respond to community needs with financial support and capacity-building programs provided through monetary grants from its unrestricted endowment and discretionary funds as well as from donor-advised funds. The community foundation also provides personal support and shares training and workshop materials, information and invitations for local nonprofit management and board members to help them increase sustainability.

We Facilitate Philanthropy

We help professional advisors help their clients make smart, well-informed charitable investment decisions. Every day, the county's best lawyers, financial planners, and CPAs turn to us when navigating even the most complex estate plans. Whether it's planning a gift of real estate, setting up a legacy fund or establishing a family foundation, our experienced gift planning staff is responsive and well informed. By functioning as an extension of their professional network, we are facilitating philanthropy that will positively impact our community today, tomorrow and forever.

Personalized Donor Services

The Imperial Valley Community Foundation is highly responsive to our donors' needs. IVCF helps donors and their families focus and direct their charitable giving to make the greatest impact on the causes closest to their hearts. The community foundation is a useful resource and liaison for donors and nonprofit organizations. We understand the importance of ensuring that your charitable gifts benefit the areas you are most passionate about, and that your gifts are used as you intend. We offer services to help donors make the greatest community impact with their giving.

"It's the core of intelligent use of capital for the important needs of the community."

Dennis Kern
Retired Banker,
Community Leader

