



MONTHLY NEWS

June 2023

SUMMERTIME

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- Grants Team leaders invite 2023 GRC and FRC volunteers to party.
- Co-Presidents look ahead to 2024, our 15th anniversary year.
- Upcoming events celebrate summer.
- Read the recaps! One event series begins while another ends (for now).

GRANTS UPDATE

After the spring's whirlwind of activity, culminating in an exciting and gratifying Annual Grant Awards Celebration, we on the Grants Team have taken a moment to catch our collective breath. But now we're ready to extend our heartfelt thanks to the dedicated members who brought their best to the process. If you served on either a Grant Review or Financial Review Committee this year, please save the date of **Thursday, June 22**, when we will celebrate you at our traditional Party on the Plaza! Mark your calendar and watch for your personal invitation.



Grants Team leaders, including (from left) **Marcia Carruthers, Cheryl Hannon, Dian Duvall, and Jennifer Ramsay**, look forward to thanking this year's grant review volunteers in person this month.

CO-PRESIDENTS CORNER



Aah...summer. A season of lazy days and warm weather. Well, maybe warm weather, but certainly no lazy days for Impact100 Sonoma! Now is the time to attend social events, engage with fellow members, and get more involved.

For the board, with the 2023 grants cycle complete—a record year made possible by you, our donor/members—these next few months are when we'll strategize and prepare for 2024, our organization's 15th anniversary. But first, we'll celebrate our success and the hard work by our chairs and co-chairs this past board term (July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023). We thank our leaders in every category: Grants, Treasurer, Governance, Membership, Events, Communications, Secretary, NextGen, and Member Engagement. In July, we'll come together and roll up our sleeves for an all-day meeting to plan, reset, and refocus for the milestone year ahead.

Meanwhile, we have a board opening for Treasurer in the new term. Because Impact100 Sonoma has recently retained the services of a bookkeeper, the time commitment for this position is greatly reduced. The job now focuses primarily on financial oversight and other strategic functions. For more information, contact **Marney Malik** at marney.malik@gmail.com.

We hope you'll join us at one of the summer social events listed below and be inspired to volunteer for one of our committees. We have opportunities of all kinds.

Thank you again for making 2023 a record breaker. We will see you soon!



Debbe Noto and Claudia Sims, Co-Presidents

VOLUNTEER OPENINGS



Communications Team Members

The Communications Committee seeks volunteers who like to write, coordinate newsletter and invitation projects, post to social media, and help develop creative ways to get the word out. To learn more, contact **Molly Detwiler** at msdetwiler@aol.com.

Impact100 Cares—About YOU!

Impact100 is about caring for our community—and for one another! If you or a member you know is going through a difficult life transition such as a family loss or serious illness or is celebrating a milestone event, the Impact Cares team is standing by to offer encouragement or cheer. Member Engagement Committee members **Mary Jane Stolte**, **Hope Nisson**, and **Kay Heigel** want to hear from you.

To reach out, contact **Mary Jane** at 415-518-3389 or mjstolte7@gmail.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Thursday, June 15, 4:30 to 6:30 PM **New Member Welcome Party**

This annual gathering offers a warm, official welcome to all new members who joined in the last year. In the shade of the Secret Garden of the Sonoma Community Center, you'll meet Impact100 leaders, learn about opportunities for getting involved, and get to know one another in breakout sessions. Wine and small bites will be served. Plan to arrive on time and stay throughout. RSVP via your personal invitation to this special event.

For more information, contact **Sherry Preiss** at shpreiss@aol.com or **Laurel Studebaker** at laurel.studebaker@gmail.com.



Tuesday, June 27, 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM **Farmers Market Meetup**

NextGen members, led by hosts **Amy Gallagher** and **Emma McCulloch**, invite everyone back to the Plaza for another of their buzz-worthy mingles. Stop by for

drinks and appetizers across from the Sunflower Caffé, under the green and white balloons, and bring something to share. Everyone is welcome, so 🐾 there! Watch for your invitation.



Tuesday, July 4, 9:30 AM
Sonoma 4th of July Parade

When you make your Independence Day plans, be sure to set aside a few hours to don a white top and green sash and join Impact100 members for a fun, easy walk around the Sonoma Plaza. Wave to friends, feel the love, and celebrate the power of women giving as one! (Cooperative children, dogs, and significant others welcome.) Watch for your invitation.



Tuesday, July 25, 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM
Farmers Market Meetup

Casual summer fun continues! Stop by for drinks and appetizers across from the Sunflower Caffé, under the green and white balloons, and bring something to share. Everyone is welcome. Watch for your invitation.

OUT AND ABOUT

Farmers Market Meetups Get Off to a Sunny Start

On May 23, members, family, and friends gathered for potluck drinks and appetizers on the Plaza for the first in this summer's five monthly meetups at the Tuesday Night Farmers Market. The theme—appropriate literally and figuratively—was Bring on the Sunshine.



Basking in the glow of the festive scene were (from left) member **Lynne Joiner**, friend **Meagan McLaughlin**, and member co-hosts **Pat Milligan** and **Laurel Studebaker**.

Spotlight Series Continues with Focus on Plastics Recycling

On May 25 at the Pueblo Serena Clubhouse, member **Patty Moore**, President of Sustainable Materials Management of California, an environmental organization management firm, delivered a clear, down-to-earth, and very informative talk on how we can adopt habits that minimize our harmful impact on the environment. She shared easy-to-implement, long-term strategies as well as short-term tips for

reducing waste and recycling, and addressed participants' many questions with grace and humor.

Learn more about **Patty Moore** [HERE](#).



Patty Moore made learning fun during her presentation and discussion.

NOTE: The Spotlight Series will return in the fall by popular demand. Be sure to join us for more lively late afternoons of listening, learning, and conversation with local leaders addressing critical issues of the day. To suggest topics for future events, contact **Sherry Preiss** at shpreiss@aol.com.

NextGen Members Want to Meet You



NextGen members love getting together. After the Meet the Finalists event in April, for example, this group moved on from the Sebastiani Theatre to wine tasting and small plates at Kivelstadt Cellars, where they toasted our nonprofit presenters. Now they invite you to join them at the Farmers Market Meetup on June 27 (details above). Come out to the Plaza and get to know our next generation of leaders!

