

CITY OF HAYWARD  
ANNUAL VOLUNTEER AWARDS



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**HAYWARD**

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**VOLUNTEER  
AWARDS &  
RECOGNITION EVENT**

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**THURSDAY, APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup>**  
Grand Rotunda, Hayward City Hall





# Hayward Volunteer Recognition & Awards Event

Sponsored by the City of Hayward & Supervisor Elisa Márquez

April 18, 2024

## Welcome (Chambers)

Master of Ceremonies

Mayor Mark Salinas, City of Hayward  
Supervisor Elisa Márquez, County of Alameda

## Awards Program

### Introduction of Hearts of Hayward

By Hayward City Councilmembers

Angela Andrews  
Julie Roche

Ray Bonila Jr.  
George Syrop

Dan Goldstein  
Francisco Zermeño

### Mayor's Award

Presented by City of Hayward Mayor Mark Salinas

Marc Johnson

### Supervisor's Award

Presented by Alameda County Supervisor Elisa Márquez

Elena Lepe

### Gail Steele Lifetime Achievement Award

Presented by City of Hayward Mayor Mark Salinas

Valerie Caveglia

### Concluding Remarks

Refreshments, Networking, Music, Photo Booth & Fun in the Rotunda





## Participating Community Agencies 2024

4C's of Alameda County

Afghan Care

CA Retired Teachers Association # 59

FESCO

Friends of the Hayward Public Library

Hayward Animal Services

Hayward Area Historical Society

Hayward Arts Council

Hayward Concerned Citizens

Hayward Education Foundation

Hayward Fire Department

Hayward Foundation for the Arts

Hayward Rotary Club

Hayward Unified School District

Hayward-CV Kiwanis Club

Keep Hayward Clean and Green TF

La Familia Counseling Service

League of Women Voters, Eden Area

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Sun Gallery

The Kids' Breakfast Club

Tiburcio-Vasquez Health Center





## Special Thanks

Supervisor Elisa Márquez, County of Alameda, District 2  
Mayor Mark Salinas, City of Hayward

### Volunteer Event Committee Members

**Ginny DeMartini**, Office of Supervisor Elisa Márquez

**Norma Dib**, Hayward Unified School District

**Zachary Ebadi**, City of Hayward

**Mariellen Faria**, Eden Health District Board Member

**Barbara Halliday**, Mayor Emeritus, City of Hayward

**Pat Hodges**, Community Member

**Diane Laine**, Community Member

**Sara Lamnin**, Hayward Area Recreation & Park District Board Member

**Patra Nesseth-Steffes**, Hayward Arts Council

**Larry Ratto**, Alameda County Planning Commission

**Lety Salinas**, Community Member

### Film Production, City of Hayward

**Chuck Finnie**, Communications and Marketing Manager, City of Hayward

**Zachary Ebadi**, Program Specialist, City of Hayward

**Bolthar Garcia**, Audio Visual Specialist, City of Hayward

**Nick Tabari**, Audio Visual Specialist, City of Hayward

### Caterer & Decor Services

Ric Serianni and Team, Splurge Catering & Special Events

### Certificates of Recognition Provided By:

Supervisor Elisa Márquez, County of Alameda, District 2  
Mayor Mark Salinas, City of Hayward









## *A Special Tribute to* **Chuck Horner**

This past September the Hearts of Hayward Committee along with the City of Hayward lost an icon in Pastor Chuck Horner.

Chuck was born on August 19, 1951, in Baltimore, MD. He was the oldest of 5 children. He joined the Navy in 1969 after graduation from Woodlawn High School in Baltimore, MD. He accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior on September 13, 1970, in Memphis, TN as a part of the servicemen's ministry of Bethel Missionary Baptist Church. A short time later he received the call from God into the ministry as a pastor. In 1972, he married Linda Diane Martin. They lived in San Diego, CA until moving

to Riverside CA to attend California Baptist College after his discharge from the Navy. Chuck served in many ministry roles such as youth pastor, music director, and senior pastor at several churches in California. He has served as a senior pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Hayward for 33 years.

Beyond his exceptional work with his ministry Chuck found the time to be a truly hands on leader in the Hayward community. From its inception he played a leadership role in the city's Clean & Green Task Force. In addition to his many years on the task force, Chuck spent hours traveling the city cleaning up graffiti. Those efforts helped to greatly beautify his community.

As an active leader of the Hayward Rotary club he led the club's participation in the Salvation Army's annual Holiday bell ringing fund raiser, thus gaining thousands of dollars each year to support their work. Chuck organized and led the Rotary club's monthly Sunday preparation and serving of meals at the Salvation Army's Hayward headquarters. He actively supported all the many Rotary Club's activities to enhance the community.

One of Chuck's greatest abilities was that he had a way to make people feel better when they were experiencing challenges in their lives. He approached life with a gusto that was legendary. Chuck's leadership and hands on work made Hayward a better place for all who live and work here.

In 2016, Chuck received the Hearts of Hayward Mayor's Award for his service to our community. Throughout the years, as a member of the Planning Committee for this event, Chuck participated in honoring many outstanding community volunteers. The committee is sad to have lost such a valuable member and appreciates this opportunity to remember him and once again honor his many years of dedicated service.

***Rest easy dear friend***





# History of the Hayward Volunteer Recognition and Awards Dinner

This historic dinner provides a cherished time every year to honor outstanding volunteers who give their time and energy to benefit individuals, local human services, non-profits and other programs in Hayward.

The City of Hayward first began to honor its volunteers in 1977. The civic club, Hayward First, sponsored the Pappas Award presentation for its first few years. However, this shortlived club soon lost its leadership and dissolved. In 1983, a new community-based committee formed to continue the awards program and dinner, which continues to organize the event today. In the 45 years of the Volunteer Dinner, over 500 awards have been given to volunteers.

The names in this 2024 program form an honor roll of Hayward's finest residents and most selfless volunteers. They have helped to create the Hayward of today, and they inspire us to work for the future.

## History of the John N. Pappas Humanitarian Award

The Hayward Volunteer Recognition and Awards Dinner started with the establishment of the John N. Pappas Humanitarian Award. In recognition of his lifelong efforts, the award is presented every year to community volunteers who exemplify John's community spirit and ownership.

John Pappas became actively engaged in the City of Hayward in the 1950s. He served on the Mt. Eden School Board and the City's Planning Commission before being elected in 1960 to the Hayward City Council. John served for 16 years and was the last council appointed mayor in 1964. He played an important role in bringing California State University of Hayward, Chabot Community College, and two BART stations to Hayward, and founded the George Weekes Branch Library and the Hayward Human Relations Commissions. John was a volunteer as well, helping the St. Rose Hospital Building Commission, Eden Youth and Family Center, Hayward Area Historical Society and much more. As an active community member and as a council member, John improved the relationship between the City and residents by encouraging volunteerism.

Until he passed away in 1999, John spoke at every dinner for 22 years to remind guests of the benefits of volunteering. John Pappas supported the volunteer efforts for the overall good of the community and ended with a simple reminder to us all - "People helping people - it's as simple as that."





## Valerie Caveglia

### ***Gail Steele Lifetime Achievement Award***

A love of art and adventure, a passion for teaching, and an ability to marshal community resources to do good work and help people in need: these are the qualities that have earned Valerie Caveglia this year's Gail Steel Lifetime Achievement Award.

Born and raised in Southern California, Valerie came to the Bay Area after high school to attend San Jose State, and she never looked back. She studied fashion merchandizing, became a stewardess (as flight attendants were called in those days) with World Airways, and flew around the world to places like Paris she had long wished to see.

After she retired from flying and was looking for something to do, a friend suggested she should try substitute teaching. She was hired by Hayward Unified School District, apparently on the assumption that her experience with kids on an airplane made her qualified to teach. She quickly fell in love with teaching, earned her credential and another degree at Cal State Hayward, and started a 32-year career as a teacher in Fremont.

After she married Jerry, a fellow teacher, they moved to Hayward and soon became active volunteers. While still developing her own artistic talent, she began volunteering with the Sun Gallery and started developing other skills as a fundraiser, event planner and community outreach expert. Soon she was putting these skills to use, helping not just the Sun Gallery, but many other organizations. She has served as Board President of the Hayward Education Foundation and as a member of the Hayward Rotary Club where she helped develop and run its annual Child Spree Event connecting children in need with community volunteers who, in partnership with JC Penney, help them shop for new school clothes and supplies.

Valerie has also contributed to the well-being of her neighborhood, city and county by serving on the Hayward Highlands City Task Force, the Old Highlands Homeowners Association Board of Directors, the City of Hayward Library Commission and the Alameda County Arts Commission.

A couple of decades ago, Valerie came upon a quote from Mark Twain that she stuck on her refrigerator and in her mind: "Twenty years from now, you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do . . . Explore. Dream. Discover." That quote continues to inspire her as she goes on making, promoting and repairing art, volunteering with community organizations to do good work, and seeking new adventures at home here in Hayward and in continuing travels throughout the world.





## Elena Lepe

### ***Alameda County Supervisor's Award***

Elena Lepe came to Hayward from Chiapas, Mexico. She studied social work as well as learning how the US education system works. She brought her expertise to her volunteer work on local HUSD committees such as PTA, School Site Council, English Learner Advisory Committee and others. She also took Promotores de and Salud Alameda County Trainings. In learning how the community works and what its challenges were, she says, "I saw that need and saw that I needed to do more for my community."

She began developing a non-profit in 2017 and in 2019 Elena founded El Puente Comunitario, a non-profit organization whose mission is to educate and advocate for the community. Together with her daughter, Katherine Lopez, they have been working hard to develop the organization and connect Hayward families with the resources they need to thrive. They have created a tutoring program that supports HUSD students and has enhanced academic achievement. Their bilingual, peer-to-peer program has empowered thousands of students and families in Hayward. During covid, their covid testing program reached 25,000 families. Their Parents in Action program helps parents and caregivers navigate the educational system and they welcome newly arrived HUSD families with warmth and opportunity.

Elena's empathy, insight, and communication builds bridges and invites collaboration. She is deeply grateful to the City and District for the support she has received and the opportunity to work with local families. Allowing the families the opportunity to learn with their children makes the whole community stronger, notes Elena. Hayward is definitely stronger due to the dedication and energy of Ms. Lepe. "I always preach," she says, "if you look at the problem, help create a solution by taking action."







## Marc Johnson

### *City of Hayward Mayor's Award*

Marc Johnson is a “Made in Hayward” native son. He attended Markham Elementary School and Bret Harte Middle School, graduated from Hayward High School, and earned a degree in kinesiology from California State University Hayward.

Marc’s interest in football started early, but he had to wait until he was in high school to play on a real team. As a freshman at Hayward High, he tried out for the team and earned a spot

as a wide receiver. When he started practicing with the team, he soon became aware of how much more prepared his teammates were. They were familiar with the equipment, they had knowledge of play calls, and they were prepared to compete at high levels. He learned that these experiences were primarily gained from youth leagues his teammates had played in Hayward. These were experiences that Marc simply didn’t have growing up in Hayward.

For the past eight years, Marc has volunteered with the Hayward Aggies. The Hayward Aggies is a community-based organization, and its mission is to connect Hayward kids ages 6 to 14 to experiences in football, sportsmanship, and community service. Marc started as a coach, and over the years he has held every position from coach to program director to his current position as Chairman of the Board of Directors. Marc’s colleagues credit him with turning the Hayward Aggies into a fully functioning organization with an outstanding reputation among other leagues and teams in the East Bay. Through his work with the Hayward Aggies, Marc has helped young people in Hayward have opportunities and experiences that were not available to him when he was growing up.







The following volunteers were chosen by their accompanied organization and are receiving the "Hearts of Hayward" Award. The Hearts of Hayward is a tribute to the City's slogan "Heart of the Bay" and signifies the importance of volunteer work to the city.

A volunteer's work is essential for a productive and bright future, and we thank this year's recipients for their continued work to better the community.



## Aziz Alekozai

### *Afghan Care*

Aziz has contributed 22 years helping Afghans and other immigrants since he has been in America. He helps the Afghan elderly to go to Fremont and Main Street Hayward for Afghan community meetings. During Covid-19 pandemic distributed face masks to Afghan seniors in Hayward. Helping to distribute fruits and vegetables as well as distributing health educational materials has been a priority for him for the last 22 years.

## Matt Amaral & Dan Guerrero

### *The Kids' Breakfast Club*

TKBC has historically bestowed its Heart of Hayward award on student volunteers, but it is breaking with tradition this year to honor two teachers, Matt Amaral and Dan Guerrero, for their partnership with TKBC and their dedication to the students at Mt. Eden High School, where they serve not only as English teachers but also as coordinators of the school's Puente Project, which helps students who want to go to college. For the past 15 years for Dan and five years for Matt, the two teachers have worked with TKBC to connect students to volunteer opportunities and to familiarize them with important issues affecting young people, including nutrition, family literacy and community service.





## Lisa Brunner

### *Hayward Education Foundation*

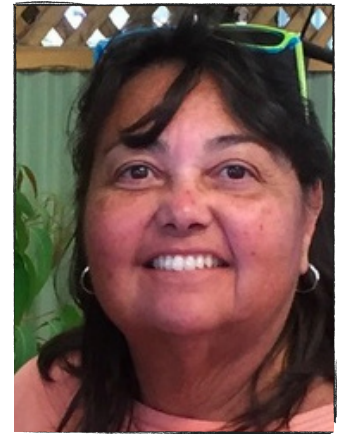
Lisa Brunner has a passion for education and has given many years of service to support students and teachers in the Hayward community. She has been involved with the Hayward Education Foundation (HEF) for over 25 years as a working parent, a PTA President, a Hayward Library Commissioner, and a Hayward Unified School District Board Member. She became an HEF board member in 2018 and currently serves as board vice president. Her fundraising and organizational skills have helped to expand HEF's yearly Enrichment Project Program and bring it to all classroom teachers in the city. Lisa is also a United States Marine Veteran and is active in VFW 860.

## Caprice Carattini

### *CA Retired Teachers Association #59*

Growing up as an army brat living and visiting in many foreign countries and different places around the United States, Caprice learned the importance of community. While teaching high school in Hayward Unified school district, she was the advisor to the school's first community service club empowering students to give back to their community.

After teaching for 30 years in HUSD, she joined the California Retired Teachers Association in 2016 and volunteered in leadership roles. Holding numerous leadership roles including president, she guided Division 59 (representing Hayward, Castro Valley, San Lorenzo and San Leandro) in achieving its goal of advocacy for retired teachers in particular supporting the Social Security Fairness Act eliminating the SSA offset; supporting current classroom teachers through the division's scholarship program awarding \$90,000 to new teachers to the profession in the last 3 years; and providing CalRTA members technology support especially during the COVID pandemic. She will continue to support and encourage our members to volunteer in our communities.



## Luis Colindres

### *Hayward Unified School District*

Luis Colindres has time, energy, dedication, and passion as demonstrated during the past five years in supporting students and families in the Hayward Unified School District (HUSD). A proud product of HUSD schools himself, Luis has given a great deal of his time volunteering to help the district that raised him. He believes self-growth and education should be a lifelong commitment, and he lives by the motto, "be a better person today than you were yesterday." He models these beliefs for students and brings a collaborative, positive attitude to his volunteer work. Most recently, Luis made a significant contribution to the district's annual Backpack Giveaway, organizing new activities such as a car show and free haircuts for children. He even brought his motorcycle club friends to cook tacos for the event.





## Peter Denyer

### *Love Never fails Us*

Peter participates in large community and corporate events, where he contributes significantly, advocating for the prevention of human trafficking. Peter started volunteering with Love Never Fails in early 2023, he has actively engaged in nearly all of our programs, from safe houses, search and rescue teams, participation in community and corporate events, and fundraising initiatives. He has earned the distinction of becoming a certified mentor for at-risk youth in Hayward. Peter has consistently demonstrated a willing attitude and heartfelt dedication to the well-being of the people we serve. His contributions are deeply valued by our entire staff and our clients alike.

## Emmanuel Escobal

### *Hayward-CV Kiwanis Club*

Now in his second term as President of the Hayward-Castro Valley Kiwanis Club, Emmanuel Escobal's service to the Club goes way beyond his official duties. He has logged many hours of service mentoring the Club's Youth Affiliates at both the high school and college levels, showing them the way to community service and leadership. Emmanuel has also championed the club's annual Backpack Project, which works with the Salvation Army to deliver fully-stocked backpacks to underserved local children. He is also a volunteer Bell-Ringer for the Salvation Army's annual fund drive and has supported the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. He also forged an innovative link between the Kiwanis Club and the Scouts of local Troops 722 and 759, creating a dynamic community service team.



## Mariellen Faria

### *League of Women Voters, Eden Area*

Mariellen was selected by her peers as an example of the heart of volunteerism. She has served as the association treasurer for the last two and a half years, stepping in mid-term without missing a beat. She has worked tirelessly to keep the books and finances in order and transparent to the membership.

Mariellen is also one of the first to volunteer to contribute to the LWVEA's activities and events. She can be counted on to offer guidance and assistance in many areas. Her years of community service translates into her insight and ability to interact with all segments of the Eden Area.







## **Christine Ferreira**

### ***Friends of the Hayward Public Library***

Chris has been a volunteer for the Friends for over 10 years. As Volunteer Coordinator, she recruits volunteers for the New Leaf Book Store and the other sales they have throughout the year. She is quite the persuader and can get volunteers excited about helping out at any of the Friends events, which support many services at the Library. In addition, Chris helps each week to sort thousands of donated books and other materials, curating the best fit for the various Friends in person and online sales. She is an invaluable volunteer and a true Heart of Hayward.

## **Joan Fosdick**

### ***Hayward Concerned Citizens***

Joan has been a lifelong Hayward resident who worked at St. Rose Hospital for 27 years as a nurse. She is also an active community member and has helped with multiple community cleanup events for ten years around Hayward. Joan is also very proud to be an Adopt-A-Block volunteer, keeping her street clean for the last four years. She also cleans her local park, Birchfield Park, sometimes in the early morning hours with a headlamp on picking up trash. It is an honor to celebrate all that she has done for Hayward with this volunteer award.



## **Jeff Haman**

### ***Keep Hayward Clean and Green Task Force***

Jeff's progression from committee member in 2017 to chair in 2023 shows his exceptional abilities and the trust and respect of his fellow task force members. Jeff's positive, "can-do" attitude, ability to bring people together to work on common goals, and infectious sense of humor make him an incredible asset. Jeff's support of team member ideas has led to new programs and the reinvigoration of old ones. He spends hours compassionately answering calls and emails and designing/building models for the educational/physical betterment of our Hayward community. He not only gives 120% to the Task Force but it's obvious he does so in all aspects of his life.





## Linda Henika

### *Scholarships, Inc.*

Linda Henika joined Scholarships, Inc. in September 2017. However, she was assisting us with the Awards programs, typing by-law updates and working on application packages for us for many years before 2017. Linda is a wonderful networker and was instrumental with getting the website running. She has great connections with other organizations and spreads the word about Scholarships, Inc. whenever and where ever she can. Linda began her teaching career in Hayward Unified School District and retired after 30+ years. She belongs to other organizations, such as The San Ramon Library Foundation, DKG and CalRTA. She is a great attribute to our organization and we are lucky to have her.

## Calyn Kelley

### *4C's of Alameda County*



Since joining the Board in 2018, Calyn has been instrumental in the growth and success of 4C's. As a volunteer and Board member, Calyn is the first to help out at 4Cs events and distributions – being available whenever and wherever he's needed. He led the critical work of the Board through the pandemic with a level-head and strong passion for the work. Calyn is willing to meet with community members, legislators, and supporters to share the work of 4Cs. As a proud Hayward dad, Calyn ensures that the voices of parents/caregivers are heard loud and clear in policies and planning and for that, Calyn Kelley truly embodies the Heart of Hayward.



## Tony Klein

### *Sun Gallery*

As far back as Tony can remember, he has been “fixing” things. Whether it was his toys, or helping his Dad in the garage, he wanted to know what made things tick. This carried over into all parts of his life. It is not uncommon for him to hear his wife tell him to just listen and stop trying to fix what's wrong. In 2022 this family was looking for change, so they decided to come to Hayward, CA. His wife's love of art spurred the couple to find the Sun Gallery. They have enjoyed their time at the Sun Gallery and Tony is able to put his “fixing” skills to work there as a volunteer.





## Geoff Landreau

### *Hayward Foundation for the Arts*

Geoff Landreau joined the HFA board in 2019. In 2020 he launched an online student competition to showcase the visual and performing art students in HUSD.

Geoff has been a HUSD Art Lead for the past 10 years, including leading the "Art is Education" program, Art Integration workshops, Art Leads and Mt. Eden High School Fine Art Teacher since 1993.

## Woodward "Woody" Lee

### *Hayward Animal Services*

Rain or shine, Woody always shows up for the dogs. Prior to the pandemic, and before he retired, he was part of a regular Sunday dog walking crew who spent at least 4 hours every Sunday making sure every single dog in the adoption gallery got time out of the kennel.

Since retiring from his career as a postal carrier, Woody is still getting his walking in, only now it's with a dog at his side instead of a mail bag across his shoulder. Woody has become a regular at the shelter spending an average of 3 -4 hours a day five days a week walking dogs. He is often the first to arrive at the shelter, walking in alongside staff, and doesn't leave until all the large adoptable dogs have gotten some fresh air and exercise. At the end of his shift, Woody always says goodbye with a joyful "mission accomplished" as he heads out the door.



## Lani Llamido

### *Hayward Arts Council*

In 2021 Lani Llamido joined the Hayward Arts Council board of directors. Under Lani's guidance HAC implemented the first international online exhibition showcasing the works of Palawan Heritage Center indigenous artist Leonard Ansiong in the Philippines.

Since then, six international artists have appeared on its website. The celebration of HAC's 40th Anniversary Juried Exhibition was a total success because of Lani's leadership creating several videos highlighting the history of HAC and its supporters over the years.







## Robert Pimentel

### *Hayward Rotary Club*

Robert Pimentel is a longstanding member of the Hayward Rotary Club. He is at the "heart" of every Rotary project, and he is a leader in the club. Robert is the driving force behind the Hayward Rotary Club's fundraising through the Rowell Ranch Rodeo and Omelet Brunch events. The proceeds from these events allow the club to distribute over \$40,000 in grants to the Hayward community each year. Robert's talents as a chef contribute to his volunteerism, where he prepares monthly dinners at the Hayward Salvation Army. He often donates his own food, equipment, and kitchen utensils to create nutritious and tasty meals for the underserved in our community. Robert's additional community service extends to volunteering at his church, Faith Lutheran, where he is on the Board and oversees the campus property management. Robert has also spearheaded International Rotary projects to support Emergency Medical Training programs, aid in Women & Children Shelters and a Baha shore maintenance preservation project.

## Mia Ramirez

### *Hayward Fire Department*

Mia Ramirez graduated from Castro Valley High School in 2023 and then immediately began volunteering with the City of Hayward Fire Department. She does everything from cleaning the training facility to preparing for upcoming Recruit Academies. Mia primarily works at the HFD training center. In her spare time Mia enjoys cooking, hiking, and spending time with friends and family. In the future Mia plans on attending Chabot College with her mind set on being a firefighter.



## Muriel Sampson

### *Hayward Public Library*



With 42 years of service, Muriel Sampson is among Hayward Public Library's longest serving volunteers! Muriel was born in Vermont but moved to Hayward 48 years ago. One day she heard about the Saturday book sales at the main library and decided to check it out. With that, a close to 5-decade long volunteer career was born. When someone suggested selling books at the Weekes branch, Muriel became the coordinator for the project. Now Muriel is in the branch several times a week stocking and maintaining the shelves. Muriel has many stories to tell about things you find in donated books, including \$750 which we returned to the owner. Probably the one with the happiest ending is when a book that had been converted into a jewelry safe was donated with jewelry still inside it. Fortunately, Muriel had noticed the person who had brought the donations in. Library staff were able to track down the original donor, who had not even realized she had been trying to throw away a very valuable book indeed! We are so lucky to have such a vigilant and dedicated volunteer at the library.





## Gail Stringer

### *FESCO*

For the last 4 years, Gail has committed herself to making sure that no family is left behind. As a volunteer she has been a participant in the annual Shelter Shuffle fundraiser by raising funds herself, encouraging others to participate, and volunteering to work at the event to assure its success.

Gail is willing to provide the hard work and leadership necessary to make so many of FESCO's programs a success. Her determination and work ethic has been infectious to all and is genuinely interested in assisting FESCO to provide the services and support necessary for homeless families to find permanent housing in Alameda County.

## Silvia Suarez

### *Tiburcio-Vasquez Health Center*

Silvia is a dedicated volunteer having devoted over 5 years of her time and expertise to the Tiburcio Vásquez Health Center. Hailing from Michoacán, Mexico, Silvia brings her invaluable background as a teacher and administrator to our team, enhancing our ability to nurture future Promotoras at Tiburcio Vásquez. Her influence extends beyond her role. Her unwavering patience, education, and community skills have made her an indispensable part of our mission. Silvia resides in Hayward with her children, making her deeply connected to the community she serves. She has contributed to the Hayward Promise Neighborhood grant, furthering educational pathways for the community and her children. Her kindness, professionalism, and radiant aura make her a true treasure. Her dedication and commitment make her the epitome of a heart of Hayward and what makes Hayward thrive. We're honored to nominate her for this recognition.



## Monica Ten Eyck

### *Hayward Area Historical Society*

Monica is a vessel of information, and her creativity is an asset to our organization. As a docent at both of our historic houses, Monica has her own following of guests who are eager to speak with her about a variety of topics that pertain to Hayward area history and the way turn-of-the-century locals would have lived their lives. Monica is vital to our School field trip program at McConaghy House, leading multiple tours of eager school children per day.

Her storytelling talents have enriched my October Beyond the Veil program. She supports us even more by spreading the word about our organization and helping us connect with other communities and organizations. Above all else, Monica is a joy to be around and a great friend. She deserves all of the recognition and gratitude from the Hayward Area Historical Society, the City of Hayward, and Alameda County.





## **Maria Zamora**

### ***La Familia Counseling Service***

La Familia nominates Maria Zamora for her unwavering commitment to serving her community. Maria has supported La Familia's Community Services Outreach Department since 2018. She consistently has been there to lend a hand or prepare a meal. At the height of the pandemic, she prepared meals for the unhoused people at Tennyson Park. La Familia's Outreach Department partnered with her to help those without support systems. Maria regularly visits encampments to pass out food, clothing, or just to say hello. She prays with and for community members. La Familia is honored to have a strong supporter and committed community member. We recognize Maria's work and know she would be doing the same work in the community on her own even if she was not supporting La Familia. She is a Heart of Hayward.

*Thank you*

*A BIG Thank You to all our volunteers*

*You're the BEST*





# *Volunteers are the heart of our City*

If you are interested in being a volunteer  
in the City of Hayward, please call (510) 583-3911 or visit  
[www.hayward-ca.gov/residents/get-involved](http://www.hayward-ca.gov/residents/get-involved)





# Past Hayward Volunteer Award Winners

## Gail Steele Lifetime Achievement Award Winners

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|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1990 John Sandoval                   | 2007 John Guinee                 |
| 1991 Dr. Hyrum Crockett              | 2008 Delmo Della Dora            |
| 1992 Hayward Area Historical Society | 2009 Doris Rodriquez             |
| 1993 Rev. Charles Bennett            | 2010 Betty DeForest              |
| 1994 Jean Falkowski                  | 2011 Evelyn Cormier              |
| 1995 Betty Spees                     | 2012 Bishop J. Macklin           |
| 1997 Julio Bras                      | 2013 Willian Vandenberg          |
| 1998 Duncan Buchanan                 | 2014 Carl & Marilyn Baker-Madsen |
| 1999 Helen Ketcham                   | 2015 Eileen Weinreb              |
| 2000 Virginia MacKenzie              | 2016 Gloria Grant Wilson         |
| 2001 Sherman Balch                   | 2017 Rene Besold                 |
| 2002 Banning Fenton                  | 2018 Judy Harrison               |
| 2003 Joan Seavey Thomas              | 2019 Larry Ratto                 |
| 2004 Rev. Lee Williamson             | 2021 Michael Sweeney             |
| 2005 Paul Russo                      | 2023 Audrey LePell               |
| 2006 Marlene Teel-Heim               |                                  |





## John N. Pappas Humanitarian Award Winners

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|---|--------------------------------------|
| 1977 Alice P. Johnson   | 1999 Janet Minami                    |
| 1978 Dorothy Cox  | 2000 Jim Forsyth                     |
| 1979 Ken Price  | 2001 Bishop J.W. Macklin             |
| 1980 Marjorie McCartor  | 2002 Elizabeth & Robert Bathgate     |
| 1981 Elizabeth Lee  | 2003 Helen Wu                        |
| 1982 Sheila Martinson   | 2004 Winnie Thompson                 |
| 1983 Irv & Frankie Frankl   | 2005 Eugenia Livanos Lester          |
| 1984 Irv & Frankie Frankl   | 2006 Mariellen Faria                 |
| 1985 John O' Lague  | 2008 Jackie & Allen Bertillion       |
| 1986 Resti Zaballos   | 2009 Ed Mullins                      |
| 1987 Sara Conner  | 2010 George Pacheco, Jr.             |
| 1988 Albert Lepore  | 2011 Mike Mahoney                    |
| 1989 Gregory Michaels   | 2012 Dave McKeown                    |
| 1990 Priscilla Dunlap, Carolyn Green<br>Bridget Lacky & Mary Stuard | 2013 Freddy Davis                    |
| 1991 William Vandenburg   | 2014 Robert Sakai                    |
| 1992 Alison Lewis   | 2015 Jeanne Gocker & Steve Sapontsis |
| 1993 Niel Carew   | 2016 Phil & Pat Gordon               |
| 1994 Mohammad Nusratty  | 2017 Kenneth Rawdon                  |
| 1995 John Guinee  | 2018 Ralph Morales                   |
| 1996 Francisco Zermeño  | 2019 Frank Garcia                    |
| 1997 Paul FrumkinII   | 2021 Arlene Nehring                  |
| 1998 Harry & Maryann Francis  | 2023 Frank Goulart                   |

## Supervisor's Award Winners

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|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| 2011 Joyce Dobro     | 2015 Obray Van Buren   | 2019 Davida Scott            |
| 2012 Dr. Maria Ochoa | 2016 Gabriel Hernandez | 2021 Chief Garrett Contreras |
| 2013 Felix Galaviz   | 2017 Paul Frumkin III  | 2023 Lupe Nunez              |
| 2014 Mariellen Faria | 2018 Harry Scott       |                              |

## Mayor's Award Winners

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| 2008 Keep Hayward Clean<br>& Green Taskforce | 2012 Larry Ratto     | 2017 Julieta Martinez      |
| 2009 Sam & Juanita Nava                      | 2013 Odessa Staggers | 2018 Kari McAllister       |
| 2010 Greg Galati                             | 2014 Tracy Diaz      | 2019 Downtown Streets Team |
| 2011 Mimi Bauer                              | 2015 Kay Thomas      | 2021 Hayward Rotary Club   |
|  | 2016 Chuck Horner    | 2023 Elgin Lowe            |





