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The East Bay Community Foundation recently hosted a reception in Pleasanton for Tri-Valley business leaders, government leaders and others interested in deepening philanthropy and charitable giving in Danville, Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton and San Ramon.

More than 50 people attended the event held at the California Center. They heard a number of speakers explain opportunities for “giving back” to communities in the Tri-Valley area, including:

- James Paxson, General Manager, Hacienda Business Park;
- Rob Kessler, Board Chair, East Bay Community Foundation;
- Nicole Taylor President & Chief Executive Officer, East Bay Community Foundation;
- John Loll, long-time donor to arts in the region;
- Kelly Bowers, Superintendent, Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District; and
- Tim Hunt, veteran Tri-Valley journalist and newspaper executive.

Those attending included Pleasanton Mayor Jerry Thorne and former Mayor Ken Mercer, San Ramon Mayor Bill Clarkson, and former Livermore Mayor Marshall Kamena.

For more information about the event and philanthropic opportunities in the Tri-Valley Area, contact our Director of Development Giles Miller at 510.208.0817 or at [gmliller@eastbaycf.org](mailto:gmliller@eastbaycf.org)



East Bay Community Foundation President & CEO Nicole Taylor (in fuchsia jacket) listens to attendees at

Tri-Valley reception.

Attendees at Tri-Valley reception listen to East Bay Community Foundation President & CEO Nicole Taylor. San Ramon Mayor Bill Clarkson with our Community Development Officer Debrah Giles.

Hacienda Business Park General Manager James Paxson welcomes attendees.

Pleasanton Mayor Jerry Thorne.

Kelly Bowers, Superintendent of the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District, speaks about education needs.

Attendees listening to presentation on the power of philanthropy and charitable giving in the Tri-Valley Area.

East Bay Community Foundation Board Chair Rob Kessler, right, with Board Member Peter Garcia.

John Loll, long-time supporter of the arts in Pleasanton.

Tim Hunt, veteran Tri-Valley journalist and newspaper executive.







Foundation staff attending Tri-Valley reception (l. to r.): Scholarship & Program Associate Luis Aguilar, Senior Community Development Officer Lianna Aduato, President & CEO Nicole Taylor, Chief Operating Officer Janet Y. Spears, Community Development Officer Debrah Giles, Managing Director of Development & Marketing Sarah Lehman, Director of Public & Private Partnerships Darien Louie, Director of Development Giles Miller, and Director of Philanthropic Services Carolyn Doelling.