

Magical Bridge Foundation innovates multigenerational playgrounds, parks, and programs for more inclusive communities. We are proud to share with you some of our awards, global recognition, and words of kindness from our city and county partners.

### PROJECT SPONSORS AND ANCHOR DONORS

#### **HEATHER HOOPER**

Director San Jose Sharks Foundation

"The mission of the Sharks Foundation is to enhance the lives of youth and families in a community, so what is very beautiful, and magical if you will, about sponsoring the Magical Bridge playground is that their mission actually touches every part of our mission."

#### **LEE MICHELSEN**

CEO Seguoia Healthcare District

"The Magical Bridge playground is a wonderful asset for our community. We know many many people will use it and enjoy it for many years to come and, unlike other public playgrounds, a Magical Bridge invites every member of the family to come out and play."

#### **RICHARD PEERY**

American billionaire real estate developer

"There was nothing like a Magical Bridge before Olenka approached me and the idea was perfectly well planned out in every respect. This thing worked. It should be a model for all parks. You're not going to get a better return on your investment. Now everybody wants a Magical Bridge!"

# CORPORATE SPONSORS AND SUPPORTERS















































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# **AWARDS**



**Best Community Resource** of the Year

San Andreas Regional Center

Anthem Gold Award Diversity and Inclusion: Non-Profit Community Space



Mayor's Award for Excellence City of Sunnyvale



Murphy Award for Outstanding **Community Contribution** City of Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce



"Outstanding Innovation for Youth" The Gratitude Network



**Jefferson Award** Public Service to Community

"Best Playground in Bay Area" San Francisco Magazine

"Best Community Impact" Silicon Valley Structures Awards

> "Nation's Favorite Playground" Play Across America



Award of Excellence California Park and Recreation Society

Frontline Park Design Award City Parks Alliance

# GLOBAL RECOGNITION





Intentional Design
Olenka Steciw Villarreal,
TEDx San Francisco





World Economic
Forum at Davos
On Display for
Innovative Social Impact



PBS National NewsHour profiles Magical Bridge as a "playground for everyone, no matter what your age or ability" [2.7 million global viewers nightly]





Smithsonian Cooper Hewitt Museum Featured for Innovative Inclusive Design

Learn more at magicalbridge.org

## PRAISE FROM CITY AND COUNTY PARTNERS

#### **JOSEPH SIMITIAN**

Former California State Senator and Santa Clara County Supervisor who sponsored \$20M towards creating more inclusive playgrounds in the county

"My hope is that our county-wide effort inspires others, not only in the region, but the state and the nation to follow suit until one day, a truly inclusive playground like Magical Bridge becomes the norm. Magical Bridge is leading the way and serving as a national model."

#### **ELLEN KAMEI**

Mountain View, CA Mayor

"Thoughtful details make Magical Bridge Playground more than just a play space; it's a new community hub. It's a place where everyone belongs and experiences the joy of play."

#### MARC BERMAN, CA Assemblymember 23rd District

"Magical Bridge transforms communities by creating inclusive spaces for all. These playgrounds unite people, spark pride, and attract visitors, contributing to both social cohesion and the local economy."

#### **IAN BAIN**

Former Redwood City, CA Mayor and Councilmember

"I have found Magical Bridge **incredibly hands-on and responsive partners** throughout the process of bringing Magical Bridge to Redwood City. Magical Bridge isn't just a playground – it's a space where families and individuals from all walks of life come together and form lasting connections."

#### **GLENN HENDRICKS**

Former Sunnyvale, CA Mayor and Current Councilmember

"We thank the Magical Bridge team for the work you have done to communicate the need for all-inclusive playgrounds. You are making a positive difference in our lives."

#### **LARRY KLEIN**

Sunnyvale, CA Mayor

"Thank you for showing us how wonderful a Magical Bridge can be for a community. We are proud to have Magical Bridge at Fair Oaks Park and hope its one of many. It's like a gem that highlights our commitment to innovation and to serving everyone in Sunnyvale."

#### **AMANDA BOYCE**

Principal of Addison Elementary School in Palo Alto, the first elementary school in Palo Alto to have their playground redesigned by Magical Bridge

"I want to express how very grateful I am to work with the Magical Bridge Foundation team. Seeing the children playing on their new, magical playground brings such joy to my staff and to teachers. We love the innovative space and thank you so much."