

# OUR CITY FOREST

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Regarding: Santa Clara County Grant Application to Open Space Authority

From: Rhonda Berry  
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Our City Forest (OCF) is a local nonprofit providing urban forestry services and greening resources for Silicon Valley neighborhoods, streets, cities, parks, and schools. Since 1994, OCF has secured and administered \$15+ million in non-local funding to provide free technical expertise, planting assistance, volunteer training, education opportunities, tree care, and tens of thousands of shade trees. Increasing awareness of the value of the urban forest, and engaging thousands every year in growing, maintaining, and protecting it, is our sole mission.

Our City Forest fully supports the stated purpose and function of a Santa Clara Valley Urban Forestry Alliance, and believes such an alliance of stakeholders would maximize scarce resources and increase public awareness to help achieve a healthy, sustainable urban forest.

Our City Forest supports the County of Santa Clara's grant application to make this Alliance a reality, and we are excited to be a stakeholder and to participate in its endeavors.

Sincerely,



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