

Walmart foundation awards \$90K to Valley nonprofits

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The Walmart Foundation's California State Giving Program has awarded a total of \$90,000 to Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission and Central Valley Opportunity Center.

Twice a year, the Walmart Foundation's California State Giving Program awards grants to local organizations that address the needs of the communities they serve and make a significant social impact.

"The Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission and the Central Valley Opportunity Center provide area residents with job training, nutritious meals and other vital assistance," said Kim Sentovich, senior vice president for Walmart, in the release.

The Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission received a \$50,000 grant to help provide nutritious food to individuals in four low-income, Fresno County communities.

"We're grateful for this grant from the Walmart Foundation as it will support Fresno EOC's food distribution in four Fresno County communities with the greatest need," said Brian Angus, CEO of Fresno EOC.

Central Valley Opportunity Center received a \$40,000 grant to further its efforts to provide employment and training services to migrant and seasonal farm workers, displaced agricultural workers and other low-income individuals in Madera, Merced and Stanislaus counties.

"It is an honor to accept this \$40,000 grant from the Walmart Foundation," said Ernie Flores, executive director for the CVOC. "These funds will continue to provide vocational training to more clients, enabling them to become gainfully employed and improving their quality of life."

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