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SVP Tucson bolsters 2-Gen support with Hillman Foundation matching grant

Donation allows SVP to help bridge the gap between childhood development and adult learning

TUCSON, AZ, December 2, 2019 -- The campaign by Social Venture Partners (SVP) Tucson to help nonprofits build a coordinated 2-Generation pathway out of poverty got a big boost thanks to a two-year matching grant from the Connie Hillman Family Foundation, SVP announced today.

The money will allow SVP Tucson to help more Southern Arizona nonprofits that serve children or adults, or both, while also generating more partner involvement, as their financial investment in SVP will be matched by the Hillman grant over the next two years.

Building the capacity and improving the efficiency of nonprofits in Southern Arizona since 2010, SVP Tucson this year redirected its focus to bridging the gap between organizations that provide childhood development and those that enhance adult education.

“This generous donation from the Hillman Foundation will go a long way to advancing our goal of helping nonprofits build a 2-Generation pathway out of poverty,” said Ciara Garcia, CEO of SVP Tucson. “We believe this investment will pay dividends for the people and groups that SVP serves for years to come.”

“We are impressed with SVP Tucson’s results to date, and more importantly with the group’s potential for real and lasting change in the future,” said Larry Adamson, representative of the Connie Hillman Family Foundation.

SVP Tucson currently invests in and builds capacity for three area nonprofits: JobPath; Higher Ground; and Single Mom Scholars, a self-sufficiency program of Interfaith Community Services. Coordinating a 2-Generation approach among nonprofits to lift children and adults out of poverty is a natural evolution of SVP Tucson’s current work with Southern Arizona organizations.

“Over the past year, we met with thought leaders and stakeholders throughout the community, and we heard again and again the need for a concerted effort to bridge the gap between groups that promote childhood development and those that advance adult education,” said Ann Maley, board chair of SVP Tucson. “Given our work with various nonprofits that serve children and adults and our focus on building capacity, we feel ideally suited to take on this challenge.”

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