

**SAN FERNANDO VALLEY NONPROFIT INFRASTRUCTURE ORGANIZATIONS**

This list was prepared by Valley Nonprofit Resources and lists some key infrastructure organizations serving the more than 4,000 nonprofits in the San Fernando Valley region of Los Angeles County. No endorsement is implied of any of the organizations listed.

**Burbank Cultural Arts Commission**

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The Burbank Cultural Arts Commission develops strategies to ensure that the arts are a unifying force in Burbank's urban planning initiatives and to build upon Burbank's commitment to arts education and community enrichment. It stimulates local cultural arts awareness and event participation and explores creative, leading-edge arts concepts.

**Burbank Nonprofit ED Coalition**

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The Coalition brings together nonprofits in the City of Burbank for periodic educational and networking meetings.

**California State University Northridge, Center for Southern California Studies**

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The Center for Southern California Studies provides research, education, and service on public policy issues facing Southern California. Driven by the goal of achieving well-informed public policy decisions, the Center offers diverse programs that facilitate pathways to productive policy dialogue aimed at building community capacity and participation. The Center works collaboratively with its Community Advisory Board to define and fulfill its mission, including presentation of the annual Envisioning California Lecture.

### **Center for Nonprofit Management of Southern California**

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The Center's consulting services focus on customized engagements that support organizational or systems change, through building infrastructure and internal capacity to support programs and operations for greater impact. Areas of service include strategic and operational planning, retreat design and facilitation, program development and evaluation, board development, organizational transitions and other organizational development objectives.

### **Community Partners**

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Community Partners offers civic capacity building, facilitation, and incubation and project management services, with an emphasis on supports for emerging community programs within the nonprofit sector.

### **Executive Service Corps of Southern California**

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Executive Service Corps is a provider of high-impact, affordable management development services to other nonprofits in Southern California. Through customized management consulting and leadership development, experienced and trained volunteer consultants help nonprofits improve their operations, leadership, and impact.

### **Flintridge Center**

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The Flintridge Center was formed to build hope and resilience in the lives of youth and their families in Northwest Pasadena and West Altadena. It works in partnership with the community to provide life-changing services, and to act as a catalyst for pragmatic solutions that reduce community violence, improve academic achievement and launch career paths for the benefit of the greater Pasadena/Altadena area. It is the only local Foundation Center site.

**Glendale Arts & Culture Commission**

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The Commission regular reports to the City Council about the arts in Glendale and supports the arts in Glendale as well as individual artists and arts organizations. It also supports the Council's efforts to include arts in economic development activities.

**Glendale Nonprofit ED Coalition**

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**Jewish Jumpstart**

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Jewish Jumpstart provides education, networking and capacity-building services for small and emerging nonprofit organizations serving the Jewish community. It also conducts research and convenes thought leaders to discuss important issues in Jewish spirituality and community life.

**Nonprofit Finance Fund**

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Nonprofit Finance Fund is a national leader in helping nonprofits strengthen their financial health and improve their capacity to serve their communities.

### **Riordan Volunteer Leadership Development Institute**

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The mission of the Riordan Leadership Institute is to develop and cultivate business professionals for lifelong service in the nonprofit community. The Institute propels program participants to become catalysts for driving sustainable results and long-term organization success for the nonprofits they serve. It strives to power the future of the nonprofit community by developing leaders who make a difference in the communities where they live and work.

### **San Fernando Valley Council of Governments**

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The San Fernando Valley Council of Governments came into being with the adoption of a Joint Powers Agreement by the City and County of Los Angeles along with the cities of Burbank, Glendale, San Fernando and Santa Clarita. Its main purpose is to develop and implement sub-regional policies and plans that are unique to the greater San Fernando Valley region, and to voluntarily and cooperatively resolve differences among the cities.

### **Special Service for Groups**

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Special Services for Groups provides program evaluation services to nonprofit organizations and public agencies. It specializes in conducting local assessments to support program development and strategic planning with a civic engagement approach. It also provides technical assistance in building nonprofit organizations' capacity to conduct research and evaluation.

### **Taproot Foundation**

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Taproot Foundation offers "service grants" to nonprofits across the country, including a number in Los Angeles County, that provide pro bono technical assistance to nonprofit organizations from highly qualified corporate and nonprofit professionals.

## **University of California Los Angeles, Luskin School of Public Affairs - Center for Civil Society**

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The Center for Civil Society develops graduate curricula; serves as a convening center for scholars, practitioners, and students; and produces research studies and other publications, including an annual State of the Los Angeles Nonprofit Sector report. Its primary work is research and teaching on local and regional issues pertaining to Los Angeles nonprofits, with particular attention to issues of social justice, equality, and access.

## **Valley Economic Alliance**

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The Valley Economic Alliance is a private, non-profit economic development and marketing corporation that works with public and private stakeholders for the purpose of growing and sustaining the economic base of the San Fernando Valley, and improving the quality of life in its five-city region (Calabasas, Burbank, Glendale, Los Angeles and San Fernando).

## **Valley Industry and Commerce Association**

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With its knowledge of the legislative process and economic issues, the Valley Industry and Commerce Association's access to public officials ensures that the Valley's business perspective is heard, thus improving business climate and overall quality of life. It maintains a regular presence at all levels of government to effectively represent Valley businesses.

## **Valley Nonprofit Resources**

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Valley Nonprofit Resources provides capacity-building services to strengthen the more than 4,000 nonprofits based in the San Fernando Valley - training workshops, an annual conference sponsored jointly with MEND, technical assistance, information and referral, knowledge products for free download on the VNR website, and policy related activities. It operates through a partnership between Human Interaction Research Institute, California State University Northridge, and MEND.