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Community Updates



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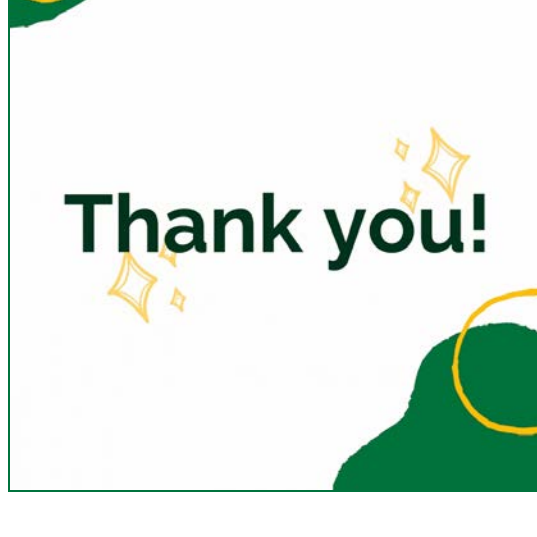
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Thanksgiving is my favorite holiday—seasonal cooking of largely (subliminally) **indigenous foods**, gathering friends and family, and reflecting on growth and what gives us joy.

Especially in an extreme year like 2020 with immense collective losses, taking a beat to celebrate is powerful. Gratitude gives us hope and helps us to keep going.

Amidst chaos, we're grateful for:

- The relative health and well-being of our loved ones
- A great **team**, including the inaugural **fellowship cohort** changing the face of finance *(watch for a special invitation to come for a fellowship meet-and-greet event in December)*
- Increasing recognition of our work reconnecting capital and community
 - **Deploying the first \$1.5M to nonprofits impacted by COVID-19** [KPBS]
 - **Freeing 100 individuals from immigrant prison** [Forbes.com]
 - **Exploring how investing in real estate can disrupt the child care crisis** [KPBS]



And last but not least, we are deeply grateful that you are part of our community.

Stay well and take care of each other,

Lauren Grattan
Co-Founder & Chief Community Officer



Nonprofit Spotlight: Rise Up Industries

Org Wins 2020 Cal Nonprofit of the Year District 71



We are proud to share that **Rise Up Industries**—one of the nonprofit organizations that received funding through the San Diego County COVID-19 Small Business & Nonprofit Loan Program—won Nonprofit of the Year for 2020 in California District 71! They were nominated by Assemblymember Randy Voepel and the award was granted by the California Association of Nonprofits. This award is a vote of confidence for its Reentry Program, and affirmation that their supporters' investment in Rise Up Industries is well stewarded. You can also read more about Rise Up Industries in a recent article from The San Diego Union-Tribune [here](#).

Congratulations!

In these challenging times, the work of nonprofits is more critical than ever. We're proud to help nonprofits continue serving their communities in our role as a deployment partner of **The San Diego County COVID-19 Small Business & Nonprofit Loan Program**.

Meet **Via International**, the latest nonprofit that received funding from the program.

The loan program is still accepting applications from nonprofits. Please share with nonprofit leaders you know!

What we're reading

Updates from our portfolio:

- **Pacific Building Group Tops Out New Access Youth Academy Building** [Times of San Diego]
- **DOJ Grant Awarded to Org Addressing San Diego Youth Violence, Gang Involvement** [Times of San Diego]
- **Flexibly Meeting the Dynamic Needs of Our Diverse and Distressed Community** [Bayside Community Center]
- **Meet Margaret, San Diego Habitat for Humanity homeowner**

What else we're reading:

- **A New Business Venture Aims To Be A Lifeline For A Child Care Industry In Crisis** [KPBS]
- **The \$68 trillion transfer of wealth in America is evaporating amid crisis** [CNBC]
- **The Loneliness of the Immigration Lawyer** [American Prospect]
- **Four Anti-racist Choices Corporate America Can Make Right Now** [The Slowdown]
- **Getting Your Money Into Good Stuff is Easier Than You Think** [Business for Good]
- **ADAP's Four-Hour Due Diligence, Part 1 of 3: Why we need a different approach** [A Different Approach to Poverty]
- **Native Vote 2020 Effort Pays Off with Record Native Congressional Delegation** [Nonprofit Quarterly]
- **San Diego's veterans answered the call to serve, our systems must do the same** [San Diego Workforce Partnership]
- **The Next Move: Rethinking Fair Pay** [Aspen Institute]
- **Layering Evidence for Impact Investing Success** [Stanford Social Innovation Review]
- **Elizabeth Warren's Childcare Policy Could Spark \$700 Billion of Growth** [Bloomberg]
- **Saving Childcare: The Essential Value of a Worker-Owned Childcare Ecosystem** [Nonprofit Quarterly]
- **Responsible restructurings: How impact investors can help emerging market businesses survive the 'debt pandemic'** [ImpactAlpha]



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