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Dear Councilmember Carrasco,

Today, The Salvation Army, Bay Area, [announced](#) a \$1,500,000 grant from Google.org. The funding will support two key Salvation Army facilities addressing the causes and effects of homelessness, increasing the organization's capacity to serve the community. This is the first grant Google.org makes as part of their [recent commitment](#) - \$50 million in grants to nonprofits focused on the issues of homelessness and displacement.

The Salvation Army's Silicon Valley Community Center, located at 359 N. 4th Street in San Jose, has received \$1,000,000. The funds will be used toward the redevelopment of the facility in order to triple the current gross square footage and incorporate a housing complex on the property. The Salvation Army's vision is to include 225 affordable housing units in addition to 75 transitional housing units on this property, which will accommodate at least 825 individuals. This new, much needed community center and housing complex will enable the Army to dramatically increase their capacity to address poverty, provide affordable housing, and help prevent homelessness in San Jose.

The remaining \$500,000 will provide operating support to The Salvation Army's Harbor Light Center in San Francisco, with an emphasis on veterans' programs and services. Founded in 1941, the Harbor Light Center is a state licensed, multifaceted, comprehensive alcohol and chemical dependency treatment facility. The detox program is a 40-bed residential program for men and women throughout the country. It is focused on serving chronically homeless veterans and people with mental health and substance abuse issues. The Substance Use Program is a residential treatment program for up to 100 men, women, and veterans from 60 days up to two years. The Harbor Light Center facility also includes Harbor House, which is a family emergency shelter providing housing for 30 homeless families. In 2018, 315 families received assistance and 986 men and women received comprehensive chemical dependency treatment.

Thanks,  
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