

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-**

**EXPRESSING APPRECIATION OF THE  
SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT VOLUNTEERS  
AND THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS DURING 2026 NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK**

WHEREAS, it is the mission of the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) to provide Santa Clara County with safe, clean water for a healthy life, environment, and economy; and

WHEREAS, volunteers play a critical role in advancing this mission through environmental stewardship, community education, and public engagement that enhance water quality, reduce pollution, and strengthen community stewardship throughout Santa Clara County; and

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week, observed annually during the third week of April, provides an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the contributions of volunteers nationwide; and

WHEREAS, in calendar year 2025, more than 70 organizations and individuals participated in Valley Water's year-round Adopt-A-Creek Program and contributed 1,192 volunteer hours to remove 17,033 pounds of litter from 52 miles of waterways throughout Santa Clara County; and

WHEREAS, during National River Cleanup Day and California Coastal Cleanup Day in 2025, community members contributed a combined 8,067 volunteer hours to remove 48,384 pounds of litter from 146 miles of waterways across Santa Clara County; and

WHEREAS, Valley Water's Water 101 Academy and Water Ambassador Program continued to educate community members about water supply reliability, conservation, sustainability, and flood protection. To date, more than 100 community leaders have completed the Water 101 Academy and continue serving as Water Ambassadors supporting Valley Water projects through community engagement and volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, in 2025, volunteers across all programs contributed 9,259 hours of service, representing an estimated community value of \$322,120 toward advancing Valley Water's mission; and

WHEREAS, volunteer engagement is a year-round effort and Valley Water remains committed to supporting stewardship programs, cleanup events, and community education initiatives in 2026 and beyond; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District hereby expresses its sincere appreciation for the accomplishments and continued year-round service of Valley Water volunteers and recognizes their vital contributions to the protection and stewardship of Santa Clara County's water resources.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District by the following vote on April 14, 2026:

AYES: Directors

NOES: Directors

ABSENT: Directors

ABSTAIN: Directors

SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

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Chair, Board of Directors

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Clerk, Board of Directors