## Press Release

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## Solana Beach School District celebrates La Colonia as the SDCSBA's Community Partner of the year!

La Colonia Community Foundation recognized as Community Partner of the Year for 2023!

21st Annual "Honoring Our Own" Award recipient - The Solana Beach School District celebrates La Colonia Community Foundation for being recognized as Community Partner of the Year for 2023, by the San Diego County School Boards Association, (SDCSBA)! La Colonia Community Foundation has improved the historic community of La Colonia De Eden Gardens through education, civic engagement,

and leadership opportunities. The combined efforts of La Colonia alongside Solana Beach's neighboring communities, have served to uplift and support community members experiencing food and shelter insecurities, and bring vibrancy, and diversity to the Solana Beach community.

Tenacious and dedicated land laborers forged supportive environments for empowering youth, strengthening enriching families, and their communities, as they migrated to Solana Beach. These families established a community in La Colonia de Eden Gardens. The La



Colonia community has made significant strides in fostering wellness, social/emotional learning mechanisms, and academic enrichment programs that empower local youth. With this focus, La Colonia Community Foundation continues to nurture safe havens for cultural diversity, identify areas in need of support or guidance, and choreograph the redistribution of resources to ensure all learners can succeed.

Through the collective efforts of the foundation, community bonds are strengthened, voices amplified, and spirits nurtured. The Solana Beach School District works closely with La Colonia to ensure that equitable opportunities for all students exist at all school sites, including hosting after school programming and tutoring for students. La Colonia Community Foundation inspires SBSD to honor and uplift all voices through their commitments to honoring diversity and inclusion. A huge congratulations to La Colonia Community Foundation on this award!

## ABOUT THE SOLANA BEACH SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Solana Beach School District, nestled on the north coast of San Diego County, serves approximately 2,800 students. Instruction is rich, varied and innovative. Our emphasis is on core standards instruction provided through a continuous progressive curriculum. District schools consistently rank at or near the top in district, county and state accountability measures. Our students and schools have received numerous awards and have been recognized at county, state and national levels for a variety of accomplishments. Working together, our mission focuses on providing a safe space where learners find their voice, share their gifts, and advance the world. Unified is our district, centered on inspiring wonder and discovery in learning and life.