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Community Foundation Update (03/17/18)

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California

The **Morgan Hill Community Foundation** has announced the additions of Steve Cox and Myra Kaelin to its board of directors. Cox is president of Anaerobe Systems, a medical microbiology

manufacturing company, and Kaelin serves as a fundraising and events manager in corporate relations for Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County.

Connecticut

The **Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut** in New London has announced that six community foundations in the state have joined forces to award a \$100,000 grant to the *Connecticut Mirror* in support of two journalism series, one that explores the long-term impact of Connecticut's fiscal crisis on the nonprofit sector and the other focused on the impact of wealth disparities in the state. The participating community foundations include the **Hartford Foundation for Public Giving**, the **Community Foundation for Greater New Haven**, **Fairfield County's Community Foundation**, the Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut, **Connecticut Community Foundation** (serving greater Waterbury and the Litchfield Hills), and the **Main Street Community Foundation** (Bristol).

The **Community Foundation for Greater New Haven** has announced that the **Morris and Irmgard Wessel Fund**, one of its affiliate funds, has awarded its Unsung Heroes Award to the Immigrant Bail Fund and Doreen Abubakar. Established in 2017, the Immigrant Bail Fund pays bond for immigrants — some of whom are undocumented and some who are legal residents accused of minor crimes — who otherwise would be held in jail while they wait for resolution of their cases. Abubakar, a social entrepreneur and environmental educator, is the founder of the Community Placemaking and Engagement Network (CPEN), which focuses on family fitness and outdoor recreation.