

SCVPTA NEWS - FALL 2019

President's Message:

Dear SCV PTA members:

Thank you for joining us in supporting PTA's mission and specific PTAs in their work. Membership matters.

Many of your SCV PTA officers have been involved in PTA for many years. Although our children may have graduated from high school and benefited from their school's PTA or PTSA, we have not graduated from being PTA members.

After a dozen or so years of training and collegial work at various schools, mostly in Santa Clara county, we were ready to use our knowledge to help other PTAs and we wanted to stay connected to PTA's mission.

When she was the Sixth District President, current SCV PTA Executive VP Diane Foote worked to charter SCV PTA. I was fortunate to be the inaugural President. And, now I get to do it again.

It is an honor and a privilege to be your President. We encourage you to join us in whatever capacity suits you – as an officer, helping with a program we run, mentoring new leaders, financial support, or something else.

Please don't be a stranger to SCV PTA. Thank you for your support.

Marcie Brown
SCV PTA President 2019-2020

Association Meeting October 16, 2019 Highlights:

Our fall SCVPTA association meeting was held on October 16 at the Cupertino Library. We introduced our new board members for this year. We reviewed financial reports; adopted the 2019-2020 budget and goals; and elected the nominating committee to propose nominees for our 2020-21 SCVPTA officers. If you have an interest in serving on our board next year, please let us know! Email our Parliamentarian, Dinah Showman, at dinah@showman.org if you are interested or want to learn more.

SCVPTA Membership:

To our current members, thank you for joining Santa Clara Valley PTA! If you have not yet joined, we hope you will join our PTA again this year! A membership form that you can mail to us with your payment (\$10 per member) is available online at https://scvpta6.org/scvpta_membership_form.pdf. Or you can join online through TOTEM at <https://jointotem.com/ca/san-jose/santa-clara-valley-pta>. Unlike most PTAs, SCVPTA is not associated with a particular school, but we work to strengthen other PTAs in the local area through financial support and mentoring.

Grants and Scholarships:

Awarding grants and scholarships is one way we assist other units. If you know of units or councils deserving of a grant, please let us know! Contact Marcie at president@scvpta6.org.

2019-2020 Goals:

- Growing our membership with unaffiliated community members and growing by 15 new members.
- Mentor 1-2 struggling/new units.
- Scholarships to Sixth District training to help develop new and strong leaders.
- Advocacy as it relates to early childhood development in Santa Clara County.

The 2019-2020 Board:

President:	Marcie Brown
Executive VP:	Diane Foote
VP Membership:	Open
VP Communications:	Naomi Higaki
Secretary:	Tami Borba
Treasurer:	Neelima Vinnakota
Auditor:	Laura Raimondi
Parliamentarian:	Dinah Showman
Historian:	Wendy Akers-Ghose
Advocacy Chair:	Erwin Morton
Webmaster:	Erwin Morton

Help Spread the Word:

Affordable Home Internet service is available for eligible households thanks to a partnership with CA State PTA, the California Emerging Technology Foundation and EveryoneOn. For more information visit www.everyoneon.org/capta or see the flyer (last page). Please pass on this information to everyone you think may benefit from this opportunity.

Visit SCVPTA online at <https://scvpta6.org/> for more information about our PTA.

Please email President Marcie Brown at president@scvpta6.org or VP for Communications Naomi Higaki at communications@scvpta6.org if you have questions, comments or concerns.
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HOME INTERNET

as low as






\$10-\$20/month



With Home Internet service, your children will gain access to many resources online to do well in school. In addition, you can apply for jobs quickly and easily, and get online access to public services, housing, healthcare and the DMV.

There are two ways that you can sign-up for an affordable Home Internet plan:

- (1) Call the company phone number listed below. The company phone numbers are only for affordable offers **or**
- (2) Call this Toll-Free number, **844-841-INFO (4636)**, to find out if you pre-qualify for an affordable Home Internet offer. When you call the Toll-Free number a representative will determine if you pre-qualify. If you qualify a specialist will then call you back to help you choose an offer, some offers even include a free Chromebook laptop, while supplies last!

Internet Service Providers		Cost / Speed	Call for Low Rates
 at&t	Access ✓ No deposit, contract, & installation cost ✓ Large data allowance ✓ Wi-Fi router included	\$10 / month (10 Mbps)	855-220-5211 855-220-5225 (Spanish)
	Fundamental Internet ✓ No contract, or data cap ✓ Free computer if first time Internet Service subscriber ✓ Wi-Fi router is an additional \$5/ month	\$15 / month (12 Mbps DSL or 50 Mbps FIOS)	888-864-8707 (English & Spanish)
	Mobile Citizen ✓ No deposit, contract, installation cost, data cap & social security number ✓ Hotspot is portable	\$15 / month (8-18 Mbps)	888-519-4724 (English & Spanish)
	Internet Assist ✓ No deposit, contract, installation cost, & data cap ✓ Wi-Fi router is an additional \$5/ month	\$15 / month (30 Mbps)	844-525-1574 (English & Spanish)
	Internet Essentials ✓ No deposit, contract, installation cost & data cap ✓ Wi-Fi router included	\$10 / month (15 Mbps)	855-846-8376 855-765-6995 (Spanish)

You are eligible for affordable, Home Internet if you meet one of the following qualifications:

- Child Enrolled in the NSLP (National School Lunch Program)
- CalFresh (food stamps) or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Recipient
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) Recipient
- Medi-Cal Recipient
- Household Income Under \$40,000/year

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