

Beth Longwell Foundation

FOUNDATION CONNECTION

Summer 2018

CONGRATULATIONS TO SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT DALIA LOPEZ



Dalia Lopez is the second college graduate who received the Beth Longwell Foundation Scholarship for her four years of college. She graduated in May 2018 from California State University (CSU) Dominguez

Hills with a major in Chicana/o Studies and a Minor in Spanish Grammar and Writing.

During her time at CSU Dominguez Hills, she learned about her community and found her identity. "I realized that I am an insider and an outsider of my community, and that I still have a lot to work on. My college experience has helped open my perspective on this world and led me to a path where I know I will be helping a community that I love and appreciate," explained Dalia. As Dalia starts to pursue her career, she is motivated to work on immigration issues and would love to help the Latino community and give back. In this pursuit, she obtained an internship at Loyola Law School where she works closely with faculty, staff attorneys and law students on an array of immigration cases, including Naturalization and DACA.

In regard to the Beth Longwell Scholarship, Dalia stated that it was of great support because it helped pay for her tuition and housing. "Coming from a low-income family, paying for college was going to be a struggle, but being able to focus on school and not have to worry about working in order to pay for school or food was such a blessing. Education is so important, and I believe money should not be an obstacle. This is why I am filled with gratitude for the Foundation. I hope that people continue to donate money to the Foundation because it helps dreams come true. Thank you."

The Foundation would like to congratulate Dalia on graduating from college and wish her all the best on her future endeavors!

Honoring the Memory of Rhoda Grumet

The Beth Longwell Foundation lost a Board Member and a good friend this year, Rhoda Grumet. Rhoda joined the board in 2012, but her involvement and support started long before. When she officially became a board member, she immediately volunteered to help launch the scholarship program and was instrumental in the program's on-going success. When a list of tasks was presented, Rhoda never waited to be asked, but was always quick to volunteer and jump right in. No task was ever too daunting. Everything Rhoda did was done with a smile and a contagious laugh that all board members appreciated. Rhoda was an asset to the Foundation, and she will be dearly missed.

Please Donate Today

To make a tax-deductible donation to the foundation, visit us at www.bethlongwellfoundation.org or mail your check payable to the Beth Longwell Foundation P.O. Box 50457 Palo Alto, CA 94303

FOUNDATION FINANCIALS 2017

Established on September 4, 2007 as a California non-profit, public benefit corporation; the Beth Longwell Foundation is completely run by volunteers. Our board devoted its efforts in 2017 to fundraising, planning for continued growth, and servicing our key initiatives as established in our Mission Statement.

The table below summarizes the Foundation's financials and use of your generously donated dollars for 2017.

Income	
Direct Public Support	\$29,253
Investment Income	\$8,365
Fundraising Income	\$22,114
Total Income	\$59,732
Expenses	
Organization	\$4,637
Fundraising	\$13,209
Scholarships/Grants	\$44,244
Operations	\$4,454
Total Expenses	\$66,544
Net Income	
Total	(\$6,812)
Liabilities	
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$103,465
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Tribute Card Donations Available

Make a gift donation in memory of a loved one, to commemorate a birthday, or another special occasion. A gift announcement card will be personalized and mailed to the person(s) of your choice.

You can order on-line or send your request via mail. Visit our website at www.bethlongwellfoundation.org for details.

A LIFE SO BEAUTIFULLY LIVED DESERVES TO BE BEAUTIFLLY REMEMBERED 10TH ANNUAL DINNER AND SILENT AUCTION

Thank you to all who attended the Beth Longwell Foundation 2017 Annual Dinner and Silent Auction. It was our ten-year anniversary and we took a moment to reflect as well as celebrate Beth's life. With your generosity, we raised over \$27,000! The evening included musical performances by our grant recipient, the Children's Musical Theater. We hope you'll join us this October for our 11th annual dinner at an exciting, new, and unique location, Peninsula Building Materials in Mountain View.

Save The Date!

What: Annual Dinner & Silent Auction When: October 25, 2018 Where: Peninsula Building Materials Showroom

Foundation Board Member Updates

The board is pleased to welcome two new board members: Liz Garcia and Fran Cohen.

Liz is the Foundation's first scholarship recipient and graduated from the University of California, Riverside in 2016. She accepted a job right after graduation with The Primary School in East Palo Alto as the School Operations Associate. She is excited to serve on the Board and will always be grateful to the Beth Longwell Foundation for the scholarship.

Fran and her husband have been friends with the Levitas family since 1971. Fran has a son and a daughter and four grandchildren. Her son became friends with Beth in preschool at Congregation Kol Emeth and they went to Hebrew school together. Fran is retired and spends a great deal of time with her grandchildren. Recently she started working with Reading Project tutoring 2nd graders.

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UPDATE ON CRISTAL ORTIZ-VALENCIA

Cristal Ortiz-Valencia, the Foundation's 2016 scholarship recipient, is in her second year at California State University (CSU) Chico. She is majoring in Psychology with a minor in Criminal Justice and will be graduating in 2020.



Cristal is having an amazing experience at CSU Chico. Despite being the first in her family to attend college, she has adapted very well and has found her support system. Cristal told the Foundation that she is "having the best time.

living my best life, and learning so much." Cristal is also very involved in an organization that helps Latinx youth pursue a higher education. She holds the position of Sergeant at Arms.

Cristal also participates in various community events throughout the year. She helped organize an annual Latina Youth Leadership Conference at CSU Chico, where more than 200 middle school girls attended to learn more about college. This summer Cristal is excited to work at a childcare center, where she will apply all the knowledge she has learned from her Early Childhood Development classes.

Cristal is very grateful to the Beth Longwell Foundation for helping her attend college. She shared with the Foundation that "I never thought that I would attend college let alone attend a fouryear university. I have a tremendous appreciation for the Beth Longwell Foundation, because they were able to help me obtain my dream of attending this university."

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OUR 2018 GRANT RECIPIENTS

This year the Beth Longwell Foundation awarded grants to eight Bay Area agencies. Recipients of Foundation grants exemplify Beth's visions and hopes for advancement in non-smoking lung cancer research, grief support for those who have lost a loved one, education, and the arts. The following are the Foundation's 2018 grant recipients:

Alum Rock Counseling Center (ARCC), San Jose. CA

ARCC is a three-time grant recipient and received a grant of \$3,000.

Bill Wilson Center, Santa Clara, CA

Bill Wilson Center is a two-time grant recipient and received a grant of \$2,500.

Bonnie J. Addario Lung Cancer Foundation (ALCF), San Carlos, CA

ALCF is a five-time grant recipient and received a grant of \$7,500.

Children's Musical Theater (CMT), San Jose, CA CMT is a previous grant recipient and received a grant of \$3,000.

Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA), Mountain View, CA

CSMA is a seven-time grant recipient and received a grant of \$4,000.

East Bay Agency for Children (EBAC), Oakland, CA

EBAC is five-time grant recipient and received a grant of \$2,500.

Kara, Palo Alto, CA

Kara is an eleven-time grant recipient and received a grant of \$8,000.

Kids & Art Foundation, Burlingame, CA

Kids & Art Foundation is a first-time grant recipient and received a grant of \$2,000.

For a full description of each of our grant recipients and how they will use their grants, please visit http://bethlongwellfoundation.org/currentgrants.

LUCY AND NATHAN UPDATE

Lucy and Nathan are growing up quickly with their thirteenth birthdays right around the corner. They both just completed the seventh grade at JLS



Middle school, are doing well in their studies, and excelling in sports.

> Nathan is playing baseball and switches off between being the catcher and the pitcher. He's a natural and really loves the sport.

Lucy is an avid swimmer and is on a team with many of her friends. Lucy is

also in choir and this past March she performed with her group at Disneyland.

Last August, their mom, Aleda, converted to Judaism in a beautiful ceremony in which both Lucy and Nathan read words that they had written to

commemorate the event. They are so happy that their mom joined them in their faith! And this August, both Lucy and Nathan are preparing for their B'nei Mitzvahs. How time flies!

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UPDATE ON BONNIE J. ADDARIO LUNG CANCER FOUNDATION NON-SMOKING LUNG CANCER RESEARCH

Since its inception, the Beth Longwell Foundation has supported research in the area of non-smoking lung cancer and made that support a core part of its mission. Lung cancer is surrounded by many misconceptions and is in need of more research. Since 2014, the Foundation has supported the Bonnie J. Addario Lung Cancer Foundation (ALCF) and several of its lung cancer research projects including the Genomics of Young Lung Cancer Study (GoYLC) and the Epidemiology of Young Lung Cancer Study (EoYLC). ALCF is devoted exclusively to eradicating lung cancer through research, awareness, education, early detection, and treatment.

The focus of the GoYLC research study was to better understand how to diagnose and treat lung cancer in patients diagnosed under the age of 40, a group not previously studied. As you may recall Beth was 39 when she was diagnosed with lung cancer. The study provided a rich source of tumor data which allowed ALCF to expand and investigate environmental factors and health behaviors in a large number of participants.

Results from the GoYLC study allowed ALCF to conduct the EoYLC study. The overall goal of EoYLC is to identify and examine lifestyle, environmental, and genetic risk factors associated with the development of young lung cancer and specific driver somatic mutations.

These two studies are providing greater insight into why a person under the age of 40 with no family history of cancer is diagnosed with lung cancer. To summarize, the GoYLC provided the "what," while EoYLC will tell us the "why."

Mission Statement

The Beth Longwell Foundation's mission is to positively impact the lives of children through support of charities and organizations in the areas of childhood education, non-smoking lung cancer research, and grief support for children who have lost a parent.

Board Members

Ellen Levitas, Robert Longwell, Jim Levitas, Jennifer Braun, Fran Cohen, Alice Erber, Liz Garcia, Lynn Gardner, Meridith Herman, Claudette Kayne, Carol Toppel, and Ava Yajima