

SPOTLIGHT ON CHILDREN

Partners for Pediatric Vision

Sip and Support

On October 22, Partners for Pediatric Vision (PPV) donors, board members, and guests enjoyed Napa wines from Chateau Montelena, Altamura, Lamborn and Laurel Glen to raise funds for pediatric vision and education services. It was a beautiful afternoon along the ocean for this sold-out event to recognize the impact of services that provide comprehensive vision care for children ages birth to 18 with permanent vision loss and their families. PPV's Executive Director, Diane Christian, talked about the unique and specialized services they provide, such as access to low-cost or free pediatric eye exams, donating low vision devices to children and teens in need, emotional support for families, and events like Build a Bear and Audio Described movie. "Our staff is trained to work with families who face the unique challenges of raising a child with permanent vision loss. Our Family Specialists understand that partnering with families means allowing them a safe space to share their stories and helping every child with the services and tools they need to succeed."

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1. Helen Kontorou, Rosanna Sandoval, Tori Schladen, Mackenzie Ponce and Diane Christian.

2. Carole and Bill Waller and Ann Daly.

3. Mike and Susie McKinney and Rod and Karen Mitchell.

4. Cathi Lundy and Charles and Joanne Peterson.

5. Barry and Patti MacNaughton.

6. Timur and Janice Tecimur.

7. Tony Yamada, Kristin Curren and Jerry Marcil.

8. Rich and Patti Severa.

9. Josh, Charlie and Kate Carroll.

10. Cathy Lundy, John and Laurie Bucher, Tori Schladen and Carol Marcil.

11. Frank and Lynne Caver.

12. Jim Schladen and Helen Lopes.

