## California American Water Proudly Recognizes American Water Charitable Foundation 2025 Water and Environment Grantees

[SAN DIEGO] – May 12, 2025 – The American Water Charitable Foundation, a a philanthropic non-profit organization established by American Water (NYSE: AWK), the largest regulated water and wastewater utility company in the U.S., recently announced 10 organizations were awarded a 2025 Water and Environment grant, totaling \$ 157,900, supporting communities served by California American Water.

"Monterey Audubon is thrilled to receive grant funding from the American Water Charitable Foundation to further our work conserving birds through direct action in the community," said Shannon Simpson, Executive Director of the Monterey Audubon Society, which was awarded a grant. "Cal Am and Monterey Audubon share a common goal of protecting our local environment and the outdoor education program partnership with CHISPA really adds to the benefit."

The Water and Environment grant is part of the American Water Charitable Foundation's Keep Communities Flowing Grant Program, focusing on three pillars of giving: Water, People and Communities.

"Our Foundation's Water and Environment grant program embodies our deep commitment to the interconnectedness of water, people, and the communities we serve," said California American Water President Kevin Tilden. "Through this initiative, we are investing in projects that help ensure a sustainable and resilient water future, empower individuals through access and education, and strengthen the vitality of the communities we call home."

Below is a list of 2025 grantees throughout California American Water's service communities.

Monterey Peninsula Audubon Society - Awarded \$8,300 for its ADI Wings & Wonders Program

in partnership with CHISPA Housing, providing outdoor education programs for youth.

Museum Foundation of Pacific Grove - \$16,600 for the Educating the Next Generation of Environmentalists program to

refresh conservation messaging in "Changes" exhibit, including three new classroom kits for grades 3-5.

Nature Nexus Institute - Awarded \$10,000 for its Ballona Creek Watershed Community Engagement program that

educates students and local community about watershed health through hands-on habitat restoration activities.

Sacramento Splash - \$15,000 for the Youth Environmental Leadership Camp (YELC), an

environmental summer camp for 6th/7th graders to educate and help understand the value and protection of the outdoors.

North Coast Resource Conservation & Dev. Council - Awarded \$25.000 for

its Kids Creek Care: Conservation Action in Mark West Creek, an environmental education program promoting water conservation and biodiversity in Mark West Creek.

SLA Inc.- \$20,000 for Planting Tomorrow: Trees for a Thriving El Monte. The program applies the funding toward planting trees to enhance community resilience.

American River Parkway Foundation - Awarded \$23,000 for its Protect the Parkway Project 2025 trash clean-up events along the Lower American River Parkway.

Laguna De Santa Rosa Foundation - \$25,000 for the Laguna Stewards Program that allows community members to engage in habitat restoration of the watershed through hands-on environmental education.

Extended Child Care Coalition of Sonoma County - Awarded \$15,000 for its Water Conservation Project at Larkfield Garden & Learning Center to update and expand decade-old drip irrigation system and teach about water conservation.

"The American Water Charitable Foundation is delighted to partner with eligible nonprofit organizations providing meaningful impact across California," said Carrie Williams, President, American Water Charitable Foundation. "Funding for Water and Environment grants supports projects focused on clean water, conservation, environmental education, climate variability, and water-based recreation."

Learn more about California American Water's community impact, here.

## About American Water

American Water (NYSE: AWK) is the largest regulated water and wastewater utility company in the United States. With a history dating back to 1886, We Keep Life Flowing® by providing safe, clean, reliable and affordable drinking water and wastewater services to more than 14 million people with regulated operations in 14 states and on 18 military installations. American Water's 6,700 talented professionals leverage their significant expertise and the company's national size

and scale to achieve excellent outcomes for the benefit of customers, employees, investors and other stakeholders.

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## About American Water Charitable Foundation

The American Water Charitable Foundation, a philanthropic non-profit organization established by American Water, focuses on three pillars of giving: Water, People, and Communities. Since 2012, the Foundation has invested more than \$20 million in funding through grants and matching gifts to support eligible organizations in communities served by American Water. The Foundation is funded by American Water shareholders and has no impact on

customer rates. For more information, visit amwater.com/awcf.

About California American Water

California American Water, a subsidiary of American Water, provides high-quality and reliable water and wastewater services to approximately 700,000 people.

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