## Wells Fargo and NGLCC Award \$2,500 to Rainbow Chamber of Commerce Silicon Valley

Sunnyvale, Calif. (08/13/15) – The Rainbow Chamber of Commerce Silicon Valley is proud to announce that the chamber was awarded a \$2,500 grant on Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at the National Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce (NGLCC)'s 2015 International Business & Leadership Conference in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Funded by the Wells Fargo Foundation, this grant was awarded to expand capacity and offer technical assistance to the Rainbow Chamber Supplier Diversity Task Force. The main goal of the program is to foster the development, growth, and sustainability of certified LGBT business enterprises (LGBTBEs®).

"The Supplier Diversity Task Force has become a vital resource to our members as they develop their businesses and engage in strategic planning," said Roark Clayton, Rainbow Chamber of Commerce President. "We are thrilled to receive this generous grant from Wells Fargo and NGLCC which will allow us to expand and enrich our program."

"Wells Fargo has a rich history of supporting diverse chambers of commerce, and we share their commitment to helping small business owners succeed financially," said Lisa Stevens, Regional Marketing, Small Business and Pacific Midwest Bank Executive. "Through our partnership with the National Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce (NGLCC), we are proud to provide funding that will support chamber-led entrepreneur training programs and dedicated resources for education, growth and advancement of diverse business owners in communities across America."

## **About the Rainbow Chamber of Commerce Silicon Valley**

Established in 1999 to give exposure to the LGBT business community, the Rainbow Chamber of Commerce Silicon Valley is the largest not-for-profit corporation in Silicon Valley for LGBT businesses comprised of LGBT and LGBT-supportive business owners and professionals. For additional information, visit www.rainbowchamber.org.

## **About NGLCC**

The National Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce is the business voice of the LGBT community and is the largest global not-for-profit advocacy organization specifically dedicated to expanding economic opportunities and advancements for LGBT people. NGLCC is the exclusive certification body for LGBT-owned businesses. www.nglcc.org

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