



SECOND HARVEST

of the Greater Valley



Jessica Vaughan

DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT &
COMMUNICATIONS

Jessica has worked in the nonprofit world for the last ten years of her career. Jessica is currently the Director of Development and Communications for Second Harvest of the Greater Valley. Her position is a blended position that focuses on fundraising for SHGV and on helping to tell the story of the food bank and the people they serve. Jessica enjoys working in the community, connecting people to SHGV and the various ways they can serve, and connecting nonprofits to each other to build a much stronger community. Jessica is a natural people person and loves meeting with donors, volunteers, and supporters of the food bank and sharing her love of all things SHGV. Jessica gained her passion for nonprofits and people early in life while volunteering and doing mission work through her local church, which carried over to her professional life. The early part of her career was spent in banking, where she was able to help shape people's financial life and work with them to reach their financial goals.

Serving her community and others has always been at the forefront of Jessica's life. She is attending CSU Stanislaus to finish a long-awaited degree in organizational communications. During her tenure at SHGV, Jessica has helped the organization raise more than 12 million dollars using traditional mail marketing, fundraising, events, and out-of-the-box ideas that allow the organization to continue its mission. Jessica obtained her CFRE in late 2021. And in November of 2022, Jessica was honored with receiving the David Barnes Outstanding Fundraising Professional Award.

Jessica is also on the Board of Directors for the Manteca Chamber of Commerce, the AFP Yosemite Chapter, and the National Fundraising Services Advisory Committee for Feeding America. She is also a member of the Rotary Service organization, which allows her to continue serving in the community she loves. Jessica is always willing to assist other local nonprofits with fundraising or event planning questions and enjoys learning from others.

In her spare time, Jessica still enjoys storytelling just through the lens of her camera, where she spends time with family and friends in nature, capturing the beauty around her. As much as she loves her job at SHGV, her most important and closest to her heart is that of wife, mother, and grandmother. Her husband Thomas has been the support that allows her to continue professionally with a career she loves. She is a mother to two beautiful daughters, Lexi and Stella, that are at the center of every decision she makes, and love to three beautiful grandchildren.