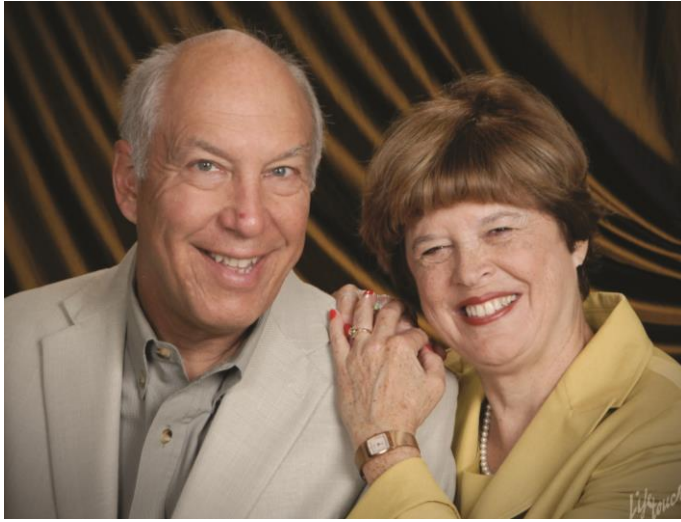




## CARL FOOTE LEGACY AWARD: DAVID STEINMEIER



David Steinmeier is a longtime Foothill Unity Center, Inc (FUCI) volunteer and a former Board member.

David's belief in the FUCI mission of "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" with love and dignity so resonated with his personal religious beliefs that he joined the Board in 2004. David served for 12-years in the capacity of Board Member, Secretary, and Board President, and immediate Past President before retiring from the Board in 2016.

David's favorite FUCI programs are the Thanksgiving and Holiday distributions where he directed the logistics at the Los Angeles County Arboretum and Botanical Gardens from 2005 to 2016. Gathering, packing, and distributing food boxes for over 2,000-families with the help of 500

volunteers was always a heart-warming experience.

During his tenure as Board President, David formed a close friendship with Carl Foote who served as the Board Secretary. David and Carl became close friends. David came to rely on Carl for his "no nonsense" financial insights and practical advice, which helped FUCI to weather tough times. Carl recognized the importance of volunteers to the FUCI's operations, from daily food sorting and distribution to the annual Back-to-School, Thanksgiving, and Holiday Distributions. Without these volunteers, FUCI would not exist. For many years, Carl personally assisted David with the Thanksgiving and Holiday distributions. After Carl's untimely passing in 2017, the Board created a special volunteer recognition award in Carl's memory called the "Carl Foote Legacy Award". David is the 2022 recipient of this award.

David has been happily married to Joann for 55-years. They have one son, Jeremy, daughter-in-law, Angelica, grandson, William, and granddaughter, Aimee. For the past 25-years, David and Joann have successfully operated MicroJoining Solutions, a manufacturing consulting business specializing in metal joining technology.