

Foundation

THE SAN FRANCISCO WRITERS FOUNDATION

The San Francisco Writers Foundation is a division of the 501c3 nonprofit San Francisco Writers Conference that supports the written arts both regionally and nationwide. By supporting the San Francisco Writers Foundation, you are supporting creativity, community-building, and writers and authors everywhere, while simultaneously reaching a diverse and vibrant community.

In addition to our two premier events—the San Francisco Writers Conference and Writing for Change—the San Francisco Writers Foundation also solicits donations through our semi-annual charity auctions, direct donations, scholarships, and sponsorships ranging from small individual amounts to large corporate and foundation donations.

The San Francisco Writers Conference (“SFWC”) enjoys a rich literary culture. Over the course of four days in mid-February, more than 500 attendees and renowned keynote authors, presenters, editors, and agents, attend SFWC, combining the best of both the traditional publishing industry with the latest technology to empower authors to publish anywhere. Situated just north of Silicon Valley, the SFWC is truly a one-of-a-kind celebration of craft, commerce, and community.

The Writing for Change conference is the only writing conference of its kind in the world that enlightens activists on how they can change the world through writing. This one day event in the fall is jam packed with inspiration and education about writing to change the world.

SPONSORSHIPS

Sponsorships are sought from companies large and small in the publishing industry. Past sponsors have included: Author Accelerator, BookBaby, Book Expo, California Writers Club, Smashwords, John Wiley & Sons, Women’s National Book Association, Writers Digest, The Writer, and many others. Potential sponsors can [CLICK HERE](#) for more info.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Every year generous donors create unique and desirable scholarships to our events given to deserving individuals ranging from high school students to adults. The scholarships have no fees and all have a simple submission process. All offer a full registration for the event. It's a wonderful way to remember a loved one or start a scholarship in your name with your own guidelines. Potential donors can [CLICK HERE](#) for more info.

CHARITY AUCTIONS

Thanks to the generous donations from bestselling authors, top literary agents, Big 5 publishers, PR professionals, and myriad others, we are holding a series of online auctions throughout the year, in addition to those at our physical events. [CLICK HERE](#) to visit our charity.eBay portal, and you can get the latest info on what is available by following [@SFWC](#) on Twitter and by joining our email list using the form at the top of this page.

Past donations to the auction include:

- Manuscript evaluation by an acquisitions editor
- Lunch with a literary agent
- One-on-one career planning with an author coach
- Fight scene coaching with a professional battle choreographer
- Training with a social media consultant
- Book tour package with a PR company
- Writing retreat passes
- Query letter and book proposal critiques

- Bundles of books, gift cards, bottles of wine, even dinner at San Francisco's famous restaurants!

After helping libraries by raising money for EveryLibrary and helping independent booksellers via BINC Foundation, we're turning our efforts toward a cause that's long been close to our hearts: young writers via a partnership with [826 National](#).

Founded a year before us just 3 miles away on Valencia Street, 826 National has since become America's largest youth writing network with centers in 8 major cities coast-to-coast along with 33 domestic and 20 international 826-inspired organizations. Approximately 38,000 students participate in free programs provided by 826 Network chapters. 826 reaches an additional 31,000 students (and counting) through 826 Digital, 826 National's new online platform that makes 826's inventive writing resources available to educators everywhere for free.

We've long been fans of 826 National and are thrilled to contribute. Look for auctions [online](#) as early as February 1st as well as our annual silent auction at the San Francisco Writers Conference.

