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# ANNOUNCEMENT

## Silicon Valley Youth (SiVY) Bridge Teams Up with Center for Bridge Education
*Two Non-Profit Organizations are Working Together to Inspire Young People to Learn Bridge*

**Mountain View, June 25, 2013:**  Today Silicon Valley Youth (SiVY) Bridge Board of Directors voted to partner with a like-minded non-profit organization based in San Francisco, the Center for Bridge Education (CBE).    As an existing organization with six years' experience, the CBE can provide helpful infrastructure to SiVY Bridge.    By joining forces, the two volunteer organizations can operate more efficiently to better meet their common goal to promote bridge education with young people.

The CBE was founded in 2007 in conjunction with a national trend to take duplicate bridge to middle school and high school students at no cost to the schools. Over the last six years the organization has introduced hundreds of young people to the game.    SiVY Bridge was formed earlier this year and plans to offer free after school bridge classes and clubs for 4th through 8th graders.  Both programs are offered in conjunction with the national bridge association, American Contract Bridge League (www.acbl.org)

A 501(C)(3) organization, the CBE will be fiscally supporting SiVY Bridge by accepting tax deductible donations on behalf of SiVY Bridge.   Additionally each organization's Board of Directors will include a member from the other group.  Other ideas for partnering in the future include: offering joint classes, inviting members to each other's events, and creating teams of teachers.   Our first joint effort will be at our upcoming ACBL teacher training classes offered in Mountain View and attended by both CBE and SiVY Bridge instructors.

To learn more about how to volunteer, donate, or introduce SiVY Bridge to a school, go to their website : SiliconValleyYouthBridge.org.    For more information about the CBE, please visit www.Center4Bridge.org.