

Broadcom Employee Global Community Involvement



HENRY RAEL

Henry Rael, a 10 year employee of Broadcom and a member of the corporate communications team supporting the Mobile and Wireless groups, says that, second only to spending time with his kids, volunteering in his community is his “favorite hobby.”

Henry centers his volunteer activities in the Atrisco Historic Core neighborhood of South Valley in New Mexico - his home state. Settled by Spanish explorers in the 1600s and home to Native American populations for hundreds of years before that, the Atrisco neighborhood is one of the oldest continuously inhabited communities in the United States. Despite its rich history, the community suffers from severe challenges, including widespread poverty, minimal access to services and chronic academic underachievement.



Henry has put incredible energy into supporting South Valley Academy (SVA), an innovative charter school in the Atrisco neighborhood that achieves graduation rates approaching 80%, with almost 100% of its graduates attending post-secondary institutions. He joined the Governing Council of SVA and helped mobilize voters to approve a bond issue that allocated \$12 million to build SVA its first real campus. He is now leading an initiative to raise funds for a cutting-edge digital media and computing program at SVA when the

new campus is completed.

Henry has also helped develop and implement a program to connect elderly and needy families with stimulus-funded weatherization services which has resulted in almost 40 area homes receiving up to \$6,500 in energy-saving improvements, touted as success by the U.S. Department of Energy. He organized a community farm that provides local kids with locally grown, organic vegetables for their school lunches.



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