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Steven Sharpe Joins Hospice of Santa Barbara Board

General director of Opera Santa Barbara brings an extensive nonprofit career to the position

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[Hospice of Santa Barbara](#) is pleased to announce Steven Sharpe as a new board member.



Steven Sharpe

Sharpe is the general director for [Opera Santa Barbara](#). He has also held general management and development positions with Opera Santa Barbara.

Sharpe began his nonprofit career as director of development and executive director for the [Pacific Pride Foundation](#)/AIDS Project Central Coast. Sharpe also served as executive director for the [Dream](#)

[Foundation](#), helping to establish and build the nation's first adult wish-granting organization, and he served as general manager for [Camerata Pacifica](#).

Since 2004, Sharpe has served as the campaign coordinator for the [Greater Santa Barbara Ice Skating Association](#), raising funds to build a professional ice rink in Santa Barbara.

Sharpe has provided strategic planning and fundraising consulting for a variety of organizations, including [Antioch University](#), the [Children's Creative Project](#), the Community Youth Performing Arts Center, the [Community Counseling Center](#), the [Community Environmental Center](#), the [Santa Barbara County Arts Commission](#), the [Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center](#) and Summerdance Santa Barbara. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of the [Santa Barbara Performing Arts League](#).

Sharpe has a bachelor of arts degree from the [University of California at Irvine](#).

The mission of Hospice of Santa Barbara Inc. is to provide care to anyone experiencing the impact of a life-threatening illness, or grieving the death of a loved one. For more information, [click here](#) or call 805.563.8820.

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