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Project Open Hand Elects Facebook Global Head of Policy Programs Victoria Grand to Board of Directors

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Project Open Hand, a nonprofit organization delivering nutritious meals to critically ill neighbors and seniors in the Bay Area since 1985, has announced the selection of Victoria Grand as its most recent recruitment for the board of directors.

Victoria Grand is the Global Head of Policy Programs at Facebook, where she leads a team that develops programs that leverage the extraordinary reach of the platform to promote economic growth, civic engagement, beneficial uses of data, and speech that fosters tolerance and understanding. Victoria was previously a Senior Director of Policy Strategy at Google, where she oversaw a team that developed policy positions, drove short and long-term campaigns, and provided policy counsel for products ranging from Search to YouTube, self-driving cars to Android, Google Play to Google Health. Prior to that, Victoria spent six years at YouTube as Global Head of Policy and Communications.

“Victoria lives her commitment to service and community every day through her actions and her advocacy,” said Chief Executive Officer Mark Ryle. “We are eager to add her passion to our work.”

A graduate of Berkeley Law School and Middlebury College, Victoria started her career teaching with Teach for America and working as an educational consultant in underprivileged schools. After graduating from law school, Victoria was a litigation associate at Farella, Braun + Martel before joining Google in 2006.

"We are thrilled to welcome Victoria Grand to our board of directors (class of 2020). For 32 years, the success of Project Open Hand has been built on connection to community and a consistent push to alter the status quo – two characteristics Victoria shares," says Carmela D. Krantz, Board of Directors Chair. "Victoria is a values-driven leader with global policy, strategic implementation, and health sector experience that will aid in strengthening our leadership and unmatched expertise in the Food Is Medicine space."

Project Open Hand is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides meals with love to critically ill neighbors and seniors. Every day, Project Open Hand prepares 2,500 nutritious meals and provides 200 bags of healthy groceries to help sustain our clients as they battle serious illnesses, isolation, or the health challenges of aging.

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