

# Habitat for Humanity East Bay/Silicon Valley's Janice Jensen | Women of Influence 2017

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*The Silicon Valley Business Journal once again is honoring 100 local women who are having a major impact as executives, entrepreneurs and community leaders. Get to know one member of the 2017 Women of Influence class:*

**Janice Jensen**  
**President and CEO, Habitat for Humanity East Bay/Silicon Valley**



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Growing up, Janice Jensen's goal was to be the boss, and today she leads a team of 81 employees at Habitat for Humanity East Bay/Silicon Valley. Since joining in 2005, she has overseen the launch of new housing programs including Neighborhood Revitalization, Home Renovation, Home Repair and Housing Counseling.

Jensen's team expanded construction from single-family homes to large scale, high-density developments, dramatically increasing the number of people it serves. Habitat East Bay/Silicon Valley hosted the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Jimmy & Rosalynn Carter Work Project in 2013. This year, the organization was named Affiliate of Distinction by Habitat for Humanity International, for the third consecutive time since the award was instituted.

When Jensen finds time to relax, she enjoys travel and good wine with friends and family, and her favorite guilty pleasure – ice cream.

**Residence:** Lafayette, Calif.

**Education:** B.S. in health care administration, Oregon State University

**Career path:** Nonprofit professional in healthcare and affordable housing; deputy director, Leukemia Lymphoma Society, COO of Society of Critical Care Medicine.

**Employees:** 81

**You are a woman who has assumed a top leadership role. What needs to happen to get more women in leadership**

**roles?** More women role models, more opportunities to grow, helping shape a vision for young women of what they can do.

**What would you like to accomplish in the next year?** Serving more families in need of an affordable homeownership.

**If you weren't doing what you do now, what would it be?** Helping people in some way.

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