



REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

When: Thursday, June 11, 2015, 5 p.m.

Where: Computer History Museum, 1401 North Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View, CA 94043

Silicon Valley Community Foundation is pleased to invite you to a special event to hear and learn from Robert D. Putnam, Ph.D., one of the country's leading voices on the important civic, social and political issues of our time. In his new book, *Our Kids: The American Dream in Crisis*, Professor Putnam contends that Americans have always believed in the idea that all children, regardless of their family background, should have a decent chance to improve their lot in life. He will discuss his book, which documents the disturbing opportunity gap that has emerged during the last 25 years and that now threatens the central tenet of the America dream. We hope you can join us at this event.

To Register: E-mail rsvpdonorevents@siliconvalleycf.org or call Tobi Becerra at 650.450.5496.

Please register by June 4, 2015.

About the Speaker:

Robert D. Putnam is the Peter and Isabel Malkin Professor of Public Policy at Harvard University. He is a member of the National Academy of Sciences and the British Academy, and past president of the American Political Science Association. He has received numerous scholarly honors, including the Skytte Prize, the most prestigious global award in political science, and the National Humanities Medal, the nation's highest honor for contributions to the humanities. He has written fourteen books, translated into more than twenty languages, including *Bowling Alone: The Collapse and Revival of the American Community* and *Making Democracy Work*, both among the most cited publications in the social sciences in the last half century. His 2010 book, co-authored with David E. Campbell, *American Grace: How Religion Divides and Unites Us*, won the American Political Science Association's 2011 Woodrow Wilson award as the best book in political science. He has consulted for the last three American presidents, the last three British prime ministers, the last French president, prime ministers from Ireland to Singapore, and hundreds of grassroots leaders and activists in many countries. His latest book, *Our Kids: The American Dream in Crisis*, on the growing class gap among American young people, was published in March 2015.