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Kelsey Bates

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Angie G. Valdericeda
Angie has joined TCF as Grants Manager and is responsible for the administration of TCF’s grant programs. Angie has over 20 years of experience working in non-profit institutions and government in Riverside, the Coachella Valley, and the greater Los Angeles area. Prior to joining TCF, Angie spent the past five years as the Project Manager and Events Coordinator at the Telescope Museum in Pasadena.

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