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## Upward Scholars has new director

Upward Scholars, a Redwood City nonprofit that supports education for adults at community colleges in San Mateo County, has named Linda Prieto as its new executive director.

Prieto has a doctorate in education from the University of Texas at Austin, a master's degree in education from Harvard University and a bachelor's degree in sociology from Stanford University, where she teaches Chicano/Latinx studies.

The organization was founded in 2009 by Elizabeth Weal and staff and volunteers at Sequoia Adult School, and offers programs for volunteer tutoring, a weekly conversation club and scholarships. Weal will stay involved with the organization as a board member and adviser.

The nonprofit helps mostly immigrants from low-income backgrounds continue their education, secure better jobs, and serve as advocates in their communities.

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