

## LIZ PESCH APPOINTED AS CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

*November 2019*- Bridge Partners is pleased to announce the appointment of **Liz Pesch** as Chief Financial Officer at **The San Francisco Symphony** (SFS).

**SFS** is widely considered to be among the most artistically adventurous and innovative arts institutions in the U.S. The Orchestra is a leading presence among American orchestras at home and around the world, celebrated for its artistic excellence, creative performance concepts, active touring, award-winning recordings, and standard-setting education programs.

As CFO, Liz will be a member of the SFS executive management team and, working closely with the CEO and Board of Governors, will assist in the setting of institutional policies, practice, and direction. Her responsibilities as CFO include the strategic and tactical management of the areas of accounting, budgeting and forecasting, the balance sheet, audits, investments, cash management, and payroll, supporting the instrument acquisition process, corporate compliance, pension plan management, risk management and Information Technology services. She will also oversee all financial reporting activities and internal financial controls relative to the San Francisco Symphony's \$85 million operating budget as well as the organization's endowment fund.

Prior to joining the Symphony, Liz was EVP & Chief Financial Officer of the Opportunity Fund. She brings over 20 years of experience in the finance and accounting field working with private companies and in the nonprofit sector, including leadership positions as CFO at the San Francisco Aids Foundation and SVP at Union Bank, following 11 years with Charles Schwab. She received her Bachelor of Science degree from John Carroll University in Cleveland, and obtained her CPA license shortly thereafter.



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