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**SAN BRUNO COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
AWARDS COMMUNITY GRANTS TO 29 PROGRAMS
BENEFITING THE SAN BRUNO COMMUNITY**

***With \$100,000 Grant from YouTube/Google.org,
SBCF Provides \$300,000 in Grant Funding for 2020***

San Bruno, California, December 5, 2019 – In its fourth year of offering the Community Grants Fund, the Board of Directors of the San Bruno Community Foundation recently approved grant awards totaling \$300,000 to local community organizations for 29 programs that benefit the San Bruno community. To fund the grants, which will support community programs taking place in 2020, the Foundation is combining \$200,000 of its own funds with \$100,000 donated by YouTube and Google.org.

Through the Community Grants Fund, the Foundation is utilizing investment proceeds from a portion of the restitution funds resulting from the City of San Bruno's settlement with Pacific Gas & Electric Company – which followed the 2010 gas pipeline explosion that devastated San Bruno's Crestmoor neighborhood – to invest in local organizations that form the lifeblood of the San Bruno community. For the third consecutive year, YouTube and Google.org made a generous \$100,000

contribution to the program, allowing the Foundation to increase the grant funds distributed by 50 percent.

“Through the Community Grants Fund and our support from YouTube and Google.org, we invest in local organizations dedicated to serving the San Bruno community,” said Foundation President Frank Hedley. “With this set of grants, the Community Grants Fund will support a diverse group of programs addressing a variety of needs in San Bruno, including Peninsula Volunteers’ Meals on Wheels hunger relief program for seniors and people with disabilities, the San Bruno Education Foundation’s promotion of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math programming in the San Bruno Park School District, and Rape Trauma Services’ prevention and healing services for survivors of sexual abuse and assault.”

The recommended grantees were selected from a competitive pool of grant applications that were received by the program’s September 25, 2019, application deadline. A review panel of volunteers, including community members and individuals with grantmaking and nonprofit experience, reviewed and evaluated the applications, ultimately recommending that the Board approve grants to the 29 programs. Most importantly in its evaluation, the panel weighed the benefits of the proposed programs to the San Bruno community. Other criteria the panel considered include each proposal’s alignment with one of the Foundation’s identified focus areas, program methodology and budget, the requested grant amount in relation to anticipated community benefit, and the applying organization’s track record, stability, and financial health.

“YouTube and Google.org are proud to support the San Bruno Community Foundation’s Community Grants Fund,” said Rebecca Prozan, Senior Manager, Local Policy for Google California. “Together, we’re able to leverage the existing work of these organizations and help them continue making a difference in San Bruno, YouTube’s home.”

The grant awards, which range in size from \$25,000 to \$900, include:

- \$4,000 to American Association of University Women (AAUW) North Peninsula Chapter to enable three San Bruno middle school students to attend the Tech Trek science and math summer camp for girls held at Stanford University;
- \$10,000 to Bay Area Bioscience Education Community to provide San Bruno high school and community college teachers with the technical skills, knowledge, and resources to empower them to teach biotechnology curriculum;
- \$10,000 to Capuchino High School Alumni Association to support the purchase and installation of smart televisions for instructional use at Capuchino High School;
- \$22,000 to Catholic Worker Hospitality House for the continued operation of its emergency homeless shelter located at St. Bruno's Catholic Church in downtown San Bruno;
- \$8,000 to the City of San Bruno to support the Narita, Japan, Sister City Exchange Program, which offers a cultural and educational exchange between San Bruno and Narita middle school students, in its 30th anniversary year;
- \$10,000 to Community Overcoming Relationship Abuse to provide San Bruno families impacted by intimate partner abuse with 24-hour access to crisis intervention services, including crisis counseling, safety planning, and access to emergency shelter;
- \$10,000 to Edgewood Center for Children and Families to provide support services to kinship families (where relatives assume parenting responsibilities when children can no longer remain with parents, thereby preventing the need for those children to be placed in foster care) in San Bruno;
- \$3,000 to Junior Achievement of Northern California to provide workforce readiness training, including in-class curriculum and on-site shadowing with Bay Area employers, to underserved students at Capuchino High School through the Youth Economic Empowerment Program;
- \$15,000 to Latino Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services of San Mateo County to expand mental and behavioral health services for individuals in substance abuse recovery in San Bruno;
- \$10,000 to Legal Aid Society of San Mateo County to provide legal assistance to San Bruno residents facing eviction or living in substandard conditions with the goal of keeping them in their homes through the HomeSavers Program;

- \$15,000 to LifeMoves to provide shelter and comprehensive supportive services to homeless families from San Bruno at its Family Crossroads facility;
- \$5,000 to Marine Science Institute to provide students from low-income San Bruno schools with engaging and interactive marine science instruction through the Discover Our Bay program;
- \$15,000 to My Digital TAT2, Inc., to educate San Bruno Park School District fourth and fifth graders, parents, and teachers on building healthy online habits, behavior, and critical thinking skills;
- \$10,000 to Ombudsman Services of San Mateo County, Inc., to protect the rights of San Bruno residents of long-term care facilities through education, advocacy, and support services;
- \$5,000 to Parents Helping Parents, Inc., to empower San Bruno parents to effectively advocate for their special needs children and navigate the educational, legal, and social service systems of care;
- \$10,000 to Partners and Advocates for Remarkable Children and Adults (PARCA) to offer advocacy, family support groups, information and referral, parent education, inclusive recreation opportunities, and community outreach to San Bruno families with developmentally disabled members;
- \$10,000 to Peninsula Conflict Resolution Center to educate youth in San Bruno's Pacific Islander community on diabetes prevention and treatment through the Pacific Islander Health Ambassador Program;
- \$20,000 to Peninsula Volunteers, Inc., to increase food security and alleviate hunger of older adults and those with disabilities in San Bruno through proper nutritional support and the home delivery of hot meals;
- \$15,000 to Rape Trauma Services to provide a wide array of prevention and healing services for survivors of sexual abuse/assault in San Bruno;
- \$9,100 to the Regents of the University of California to support experiential learning, leadership, and community outreach activities for youth through the San Bruno/South San Francisco 4-H Club;

- \$8,000 to Rising Sun Center for Opportunity to enable two San Bruno youth to participate in an eight-week summer earn-and-learn experience as energy specialists, providing residential energy- and water-efficiency services in the local community;
- \$10,000 to Samoan Solutions, Inc., for a Samoan cultural educational workshop series, culminating in a stage performance of Samoan legends open to all San Bruno residents;
- \$25,000 to San Bruno Education Foundation to support Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math programming in the San Bruno Park School District by empowering teachers and staff to develop Next Generation Science Standard teaching methodologies and promote problem-solving skills and technological competency in students;
- \$10,000 to Second Harvest of Silicon Valley to serve San Bruno families and individuals at risk for hunger through the distribution of healthy food;
- \$3,000 to Society of West-Coast Artists to host a month-long exhibition of visual artwork by art students at Skyline College and other local colleges at its gallery in downtown San Bruno;
- \$5,000 to StarVista to provide at-risk San Bruno parents and caregivers with support group services that build parent/caregiver capacity, increase their knowledge of stressor impacts and available resources, help them establish supportive networks, improve the caregiver-child relationship, and reduce the causes and effects of toxic stress;
- \$5,000 to Upward Scholars to provide language skills, financial assistance, and mentoring to low-income students, many of them adult immigrants, enrolled in college/vocational classes at Skyline College and participating in the Upward Scholars program;
- \$900 to YMCA of San Francisco to provide diapers to low-income San Bruno families with young children through the YMCA's Community Resource Center; and
- \$17,000 to YMCA of San Francisco to provide mental health services, including crisis intervention and group and individual counseling, to students at Parkside Intermediate School.

The Foundation intends to offer grants through the Community Grants Fund again in 2020, with the online application accessible through the Foundation's website at www.sbcf.org in early July.

The San Bruno Community Foundation is the nonprofit organization created by the City of San Bruno to administer the \$70 million in restitution funds received from PG&E after the devastating 2010 gas pipeline explosion in San Bruno’s Crestmoor neighborhood. The Foundation serves the San Bruno community by investing in projects, programs, services, and facilities that have significant and lasting benefits. Through making grants, leveraging partnerships, and taking advantage of other resources, the SBCF assists and enables the community to maximize shared investments and realize their subsequent enhancements and benefits.

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