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**SAN BRUNO COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
AND YOUTUBE/GOOGLE.ORG
PARTNER TO AWARD COMMUNITY GRANTS
IN SAN BRUNO**

*With \$100,000 Grant from YouTube/Google.Org,
SBCF Board of Directors Will Consider Grants Totaling \$300,000
to 23 Organizations for Projects Benefiting the San Bruno Community*

San Bruno, California, December 1, 2017 – At its meeting on December 6, 2017, the Board of Directors of The San Bruno Community Foundation will consider approving grant awards totaling \$300,000 to local community organizations for 23 projects that benefit the San Bruno community. In its second year of offering the Community Grants Fund, the Foundation is providing \$200,000 of its own funds for projects that will take place in 2018. The Foundation is also thrilled to announce that YouTube/Google.Org has contributed \$100,000 to the Community Grants Fund, increasing the dollar amount of grants to be awarded by 50 percent.

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 following 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.

This year, YouTube/Google.Org's generous contribution allows the program to fund nine more projects than it supported in its first cycle.

“For the second year in a row, we are delighted to support a wide range of community organizations doing important and meaningful work to benefit the people of San Bruno, such as Project Read’s literacy programs for low-income San Bruno parents and children, Peninsula Conflict Resolution Center’s health promotion efforts to combat diabetes in San Bruno’s Pacific Islander community, and Community Overcoming Relationship Abuse’s support services for victims of domestic violence,” said Foundation President Nancy Kraus. “We are so grateful to YouTube/Google.Org – true community partners in San Bruno – as their generosity enables the Foundation to offer an additional \$100,000 in grants to many worthy organizations that serve a diverse cross-section of the San Bruno community.”

The recommended grantees were selected from a competitive pool of grant applications that were received by the program’s September 27, 2017, 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 23 projects. Most importantly in its evaluation, the panel weighed the benefits of the proposed projects to the San Bruno community. Other criteria the panel considered include each proposal’s alignment with one of the Foundation’s identified focus areas, project methodology and budget, the requested grant amount in relation to anticipated community benefit, and the applying organization’s track record, stability, and financial health. The recommended grant awards range in size from \$25,000 to \$1,500.

The Board will consider approving the following grant awards on December 6:

- \$4,000 to the American Association of University Women (AAUW) North Peninsula Chapter to provide funding for San Bruno middle school students to attend the Tech Trek science and math summer camp for girls held at Stanford University;
- \$5,000 to the Boys and Girls Clubs of North San Mateo County to support the Triple Play Sports and Wellness program for San Bruno families and youth;

- \$13,700 to the Capuchino High School Alumni Association to upgrade science equipment at Capuchino High School in support of curriculum transition to Next Generation Science Standards;
- \$15,000 to the Catholic Worker Hospitality House for the continued operation of its emergency homeless shelter located at St. Bruno's Catholic Church in downtown San Bruno;
- \$15,000 to the Center for Independence of Individuals with Disabilities to provide emergency preparedness training to seniors and individuals with disabilities;
- \$1,600 to the City of San Bruno to install a Bike Fix-It Station located at the San Bruno BART Station to aid cyclists with their bike maintenance needs;
- \$5,000 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;
- \$20,000 to Community Overcoming Relationship Abuse (CORA) to provide San Bruno victims and survivors of domestic violence with 24-hour access to crisis intervention services, including crisis counseling, safety planning, and access to emergency shelter;
- \$1,500 to the County of San Mateo to support a San Bruno student pursuing higher education through the Al Tegli Jobs for Youth Scholarship Program;
- \$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;
- \$15,740 to First 5 San Mateo County to analyze the shortage of child care and preschool services in San Bruno, using maps to create recommendations for future child care and preschool expansion;
- \$15,000 to Latino Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services of San Mateo County to expand mental and behavioral health services for adults and developmental activities for youth in San Bruno;
- \$15,000 to the Lowen Soccer Club for maintenance of and improvements to San Bruno's widely used soccer fields;
- \$15,460 to Partners and Advocates for Remarkable Children and Adults (Parca) to support program operating costs and enhance summer field trip opportunities for REACH, an

inclusive, licensed day- and after-school program for children with and without developmental disabilities;

- \$15,000 to Peninsula Conflict Resolution Center to educate San Bruno’s Pacific Islander community on diabetes prevention and treatment through the Pacific Islander Health Ambassador Program;
- \$25,000 to Project Read to continue expansion of literacy services to low-income San Bruno parents and children through Learning Wheels, Project Read’s literacy van;
- \$20,000 to Project Sentinel to create a comprehensive housing counseling program that will provide fair housing outreach, education, and advocacy to underserved, low-income households in San Bruno;
- \$15,000 to Samoan Solutions 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 establish a Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) program to engage accelerated learners and highly creative students in the San Bruno Park School District;
- \$3,000 to Skyline College Music Department for enhancement of the choral program, including increased choral education opportunities and participation in music competitions and festivals;
- \$20,000 to Social Good Fund, Inc., as fiscal sponsor for American Legion Post 409, for continued community building rehabilitation and renovations;
- \$20,000 to Society of St. Vincent de Paul of San Mateo County to provide services to San Bruno families and individuals at risk of homelessness through the organization’s Peninsula Family Resource Center and San Bruno Store; and
- \$5,000 to Via Heart Project to provide hands-on CPR and AED training to students at San Bruno’s Parkside Intermediate School.

“YouTube is proud to call San Bruno our home. We are very excited to join the San Bruno Community Foundation by helping to fund the most innovative efforts across the city,” said Adrian Schurr, Bay Area Giving Manager for Google.Org. “This community grant initiative helps ensure the community’s voice is heard.”

The Board will take final action on the Community Grants Fund recommendations at its regular meeting, which the public is welcome to attend, at 7:00 p.m. on December 6, 2017, at the San Bruno Senior Center, 1555 Crystal Springs Road, San Bruno. The meeting packet, including the full agenda, is available for download at www.sbcf.org/meetings.

The Foundation intends to offer grants through the Community Grants Fund again in 2018, 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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