

# COUNTY OF SAN MATEO



## Charitable Contributions Campaign Brochure



Foundation  
FOR SAN MATEO  
COUNTY LIBRARIES



- family and homeless services
- medical research
- habitat preservation
- environmental education and cleanup
- counseling
- crisis intervention
- rehabilitation
- youth guidance
- health and human services



*“What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us; what we have done for others and the world remains and is immortal.”*  
- Albert Pike

## ABOUT THE CAMPAIGN

### WHAT IS THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CAMPAIGN?

It is an annual opportunity for employees to give back to the community through one-time or regular payroll deduction contributions made to charitable groups working on health, human services and environmental concerns. The participating organizations include the following federations/agencies/charities: United Way Bay Area, Creating Healthier Communities, EarthShare California and San Mateo County Health Foundation. In addition, the following individual charities also participate in the campaign: The Adult Fund, The Children's Fund, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), Healthcare Heroes, Foundation for San Mateo County Libraries, Parks Foundation, Homeless Fund, Meals on Wheels, Sheriff's Activities League, Canine Companions for Independence and the Wendler Substance Abuse Treatment Fund.

### WHO OPERATES THE CAMPAIGN?

Employees within the workplace plan, organize and carry out the drive. Volunteers from each facility serve as coordinators organizing their department's drive. Charitable federation representatives are invited to make presentations to employees on the work of their member groups.

### WHO BENEFITS?

Everybody. The programs and services of the non-profit organizations participating in the campaign make our community healthier, stronger and safer. During the campaign, you have the chance to learn more about the issues, the groups' work and what you, your family and your co-workers can do to help.

### HOW MUCH SHOULD I CONTRIBUTE?

Giving is a personal decision. It depends on many factors, such as your income, your personal circumstances, or your concern about particular health, social and environmental problems. Give what you can...it all helps.

### HOW MUCH OF MY CONTRIBUTION GOES TO ADMINISTRATIVE OVERHEAD?

Each participating federation/agency/charity retains the following percentages of total contributions for administrative and fund-raising costs: EarthShare California (13%), Creating Healthier Communities (11%), United Way Bay Area (15%), Children's Fund (0%), The Adult Fund (0%), Healthcare Heroes (0%), Foundation for San Mateo County Libraries (0%), Parks Foundation (0%), Homeless Fund (0%), Meals on Wheels (0%), Canine Companions for Independence (6%).

# BAY AREA COMMUNITY FUND UNITED WAY BAY AREA

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Together, we are the Game Changers. UWBA brings together community leaders, businesses, policymakers, nonprofits, and individuals to change lives and strengthen our communities on a scale no single organization or individual can achieve on its own.

When you give to **United Way's Bay Area Community Fund**, you support partnerships and innovative programs that assist families along a pathway to continuing education, family-sustaining wage employment, and financial empowerment, while ensuring access to basic needs.

Our work touches eight Bay Area counties. Together, here's how we're changing the odds in San Mateo:

## **HELPING ADULTS THRIVE**

In partnership with nonprofits such as Coastside Hope, UWBA's Earn It! Keep It! Save It! program filed more than 7,000 tax returns last year for low to mid income individuals and families in San Mateo County, ensuring they received the tax credits they are eligible for and putting \$6.9 million in refunds back in their pockets, and into the local community.

## **EMPOWERING YOUTH**

UWBA's SparkPoint centers at Skyline College and Cañada College, as well as at Taft Elementary School in Redwood City, bring a variety of nonprofit partners offering financial support services together under one roof. SparkPoint helps over 1,000 students, parents and community members every year to further their education, build career paths, and gain financial independence.

## **PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS**

UWBA's Emergency Food & Shelter Program works with local partners like CORA, St. Vincent de Paul, and Samaritan House, providing 80,000 meals and 12,000 shelter nights last year. UWBA's 211 helpline answered 3,500 calls in San Mateo County, connecting individuals and families to housing/shelter, utility, food assistance, and more.

Join the fight to break the cycle of poverty in San Mateo and across the Bay Area. To win, we need you. Give. Advocate. Volunteer.

## **Contribute to an Agency of Your Choice**

You can also choose to direct all or a portion of your gift to a specific agency. Agencies that serve San Mateo County are listed on the following pages. A complete list of United Way Bay Area-affiliated agencies is available by request. You can also give to any nonprofit 501(c) 3 organization through United Way. If you have any questions about your gift, please call 1-800-273-1779.

*Thank you for giving to United Way Bay Area!*

**United Way Bay Area:** 550 Kearny Street Suite 1000, San Francisco, CA 94108 (415) 808-4300 [www.uwba.org](http://www.uwba.org)

**The Arc of San Francisco**

1500 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA 94103

[www.thearc.org](http://www.thearc.org)

415-255-7200

The Arc provides services to adults with developmental & cognitive disabilities --help with jobs, affordable housing, independent living and other necessary skills- so they can live fully in our community.

**AIDS Legal Referral Panel**

1663 Mission Street, Suite 500, San Francisco, CA 94103

[www.alrp.org](http://www.alrp.org)

415-701-1200

ALRP helps people with HIV/AIDS maintain or improve their health by resolving their legal issues. ALRP programs include housing, immigration, insurance protection, and community outreach.

**American Indian Child Resource Center**

522 Grand Avenue, Oakland, CA 94610 [www.aicrc.org](http://www.aicrc.org)

510-208-1870

Our mission is to preserve and promote the integrity and culture of American Indian families, focusing on foster care, education, youth development, and family counseling.

**Bay Area Women's & Children's Center**

318 Leavenworth St., San Francisco, CA 94102

[www.bawcc.org](http://www.bawcc.org)

415-474-2400

In the heart of San Francisco's Tenderloin neighborhood, Bay Area Women's and Children's Center is a unique presence. BAWCC focuses entirely on the needs and issues of low-income families, children, and women in this multi-ethnic, inner-city neighborhood.

**Chinatown Community Development Center**

1525 Grant Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94311

[www.chinatowncdc.org](http://www.chinatowncdc.org)

415-984-1450

The Mission of the Chinatown Community Development Center is to build community and enhance the quality of life for San Francisco residents. We are a place-based community development organization serving primarily the Chinatown neighborhood, and also serve other areas including North Beach and the Tenderloin.

**Coastside Children's Programs**

494 Miramontes Avenue, Half Moon Bay, CA 94019,

[www.coastsidechildren.org](http://www.coastsidechildren.org)

650-726-7413

Coastside Children's Programs (CCP) mission is to provide a safe and caring environment where children learn through experience, play, and friendships - building a foundation for success in school and life.

**Coastside Adult Day Health Center**

925 Main St., Half Moon Bay, CA 94019

[www.coastsideadulthoodhealth.org](http://www.coastsideadulthoodhealth.org)

650-726-5067

CADHC provides comprehensive health care to the elderly and disabled in a structured day program that keeps people healthy, active, and as independent as possible.

**Coastside Hope**

99 Avenue Alhambra, El Granada, CA 94018

[www.coastsidehope.org](http://www.coastsidehope.org)

650-726-9071

Coastside Hope offers safety net social services and basic life necessities with dignity and hope to all those making the San Mateo Coastside their home.

**Friends for Youth, Inc.**

1741 Broadway, Redwood City, CA 94063

[www.friendsforyouth.org](http://www.friendsforyouth.org)

650-368-4444

Friends for Youth creates quality mentoring relationships for youth who need them most, providing direct services to youth and technical assistance to mentoring organizations.

**Girl Scouts of Northern California**

1650 Harbor Bay Parkway Ste.100, Alameda, CA 94502

[www.girlscoutsnorcal.org](http://www.girlscoutsnorcal.org)

800-447-4475

Girl Scouting, from the Silicon Valley to the Oregon border, builds girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place.

**Habitat for Humanity Greater San Francisco**

500 Washington Street, Suite 250, San Francisco, CA 94111

[www.habitatgsf.org](http://www.habitatgsf.org)

415-625-1000

At Habitat for Humanity Greater San Francisco our mission is to provide local families with a springboard to secure, stable futures through affordable homeownership, financial literacy and neighborhood revitalization.

**Jewish Family and Children's Services**

2150 Post Street, San Francisco, CA 94115

[www.jfcs.org](http://www.jfcs.org)

415-449-1200

Compassionate, cost-effective preventive, therapeutic, educational and supportive professional and volunteer human services help

58,000 people - children, families and elderly - annually, relieving suffering and sustaining self-sufficiency.

**Legal Aid Society of San Mateo County**

521 E. 5th Avenue, San Mateo, CA 94402

[www.legalaidsmc.org](http://www.legalaidsmc.org)

650-558-0915

The Legal Aid Society of San Mateo County provides civil legal services to low-income families, seniors, persons with disabilities, and domestic violence survivors.

**Mental Health Association of San Mateo County**

2686 Spring Street, Redwood City, CA 94063

[www.mhasmc.org](http://www.mhasmc.org)

650-368-3345

Provides emergency/transitional/permanent housing; case management for mentally ill adults; socialization programs for over 400 mentally ill persons; housing assistance for persons with HIV/AIDS.

**Mid-Peninsula Boys & Girls Club**

200 North Quebec Street, San Mateo, CA 94401

[www.midpenbgc.org](http://www.midpenbgc.org)

650-347-9891

The Mid-Peninsula Boys & Girls Club is a non-profit organization with a mission "to inspire and enable all young people, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens."

**Pacifica Resource Center**

1809 Palmetto Ave., Pacifica, CA 94004

<https://www.pacresourcecenter.org/>

PRC has worked with local businesses, organizations, and individuals in the neighborhood to provide food, housing support, and other critical services to our neighbors in need. PRC is the only core agency in San Mateo County who provides these basic human needs to Pacificans struggling to make ends meet.

**Puente de la Costa Sur**

620 North St, Pescadero, CA 94060

[www.mypuente.org](http://www.mypuente.org)

650-879-1961

Puente serves the San Mateo County South Coast communities of Pescadero, La Honda, Loma Mar, and San Gregorio. Puente both advocates for our communities and leverages resources that foster economic prosperity and security, and that promote individual and community health and wellness. We support local leaders and work together with our neighbors creating solutions for our diverse communities.

**Redwood City School District**

750 Bradford St., Redwood City, CA 94603

[www.rcsdk8.net](http://www.rcsdk8.net)

650-423-2200

The Redwood City School District is committed to providing the very best Tk-8th grade education to your child. Our schools offer innovative, integrative and interactive approaches to learning, ensuring that your child will not only learn the basics, but also become well-prepared for high school, college and careers.

**Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center**

1848 Bay Road, East Palo Alto, CA 94303

[www.rencenter.org](http://www.rencenter.org)

415-541-8580

The mission of Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center is to empower and increase the entrepreneurial capacities of socially and economically diverse women and men, and thereby strengthen our communities through the creation of sustainable new businesses, new jobs, and the promotion of financial self-sufficiency.

**Samaritan House**

4031 Pacific Blvd., San Mateo, CA 94403

[www.samaritanhousesanmateo.org](http://www.samaritanhousesanmateo.org)

650-341-4081

At Samaritan House, all the programs, services and referrals are offered free of charge. If a specific need or particular issue arises, our staff members are well-trained to advise and assist clients one-on-one with referrals to other community resources. Our mission, addressing our clients' immediate basic needs while helping them regain self-sufficiency, is accomplished through the following programs.

**Second Harvest Food Bank of Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties**

Bing location 1051 Bing St., San Carlos, CA 94070

[www.shfb.org](http://www.shfb.org)

650-610-0800

The Food Bank distributes nutritious food, including more fresh produce than any other food bank in the country, through a network of more than 320 nonprofit partners at more than 850 sites.

**Self-Help for the Elderly**

731 Sansome St. Ste. 100, San Francisco, CA 94111

[www.selfhelpelderly.org](http://www.selfhelpelderly.org)

415-677-7600

We promote independence and dignity of all seniors by providing a comprehensive range of education, employment, housing, healthcare, nutrition and social services in the Bay Area.

**Trips for Kids**

138 Sunnyside, Mill Valley, CA 94941

[www.tripsforkids.org](http://www.tripsforkids.org)

415-458-2986

Provides mountain biking outings, environmental education and bicycle mechanics training for Bay Area low-income youth. Bicycle Thrift shop, *Re-Cyclery*, provides low cost alternative transportation.

**United Way Bay Area**

550 Kearney St. Ste. 1000, San Francisco, CA 94108

[www.uwba.org](http://www.uwba.org)

415-808-4300

With a strong 94-year history in the Bay Area, we are leading the community to overcome barriers to economic opportunities. We bring together individuals, organizations and entire sectors on research-based work to create big and lasting impact on our community's most pressing issues, with a focus on coming together for good to end poverty.

**YMCA of San Francisco**

631 Howard Street, Suite 500, San Francisco, CA 94111

[www.ymcasf.org](http://www.ymcasf.org)

415-777-9622

From health programs to youth development to senior activities, the YMCA of San Francisco provides the resources individuals need to build a healthy spirit, mind and body, and create strong communities.

# Creating Healthier Communities



Name	Description	URL
Creating Healthier Communities	Supports more than 40 non-profit health agencies fighting life-threatening illnesses. Contributions assist work with hospice programs, Alzheimer's, cancer, Parkinson's, multiple sclerosis, and others.	<a href="https://chcimpact.org/">https://chcimpact.org/</a>
Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation	Provides services and assistance to severely burn injured children and adults; also provides burn prevention and fire education programs	<a href="http://www.aarbf.org">www.aarbf.org</a>
ALS Association (Lou Gehrig's Disease)	The only organization whose sole mission is to discover the cause and cure for Lou Gehrig's disease through research, patient support, information, education and advocacy.	<a href="http://www.alsabayarea.org">www.alsabayarea.org</a>
Alzheimer's Association of No. CA	The Alzheimer's Association promotes research for prevention, care, and treatment of dementias. Chapters provide information, referral, education, and support services to families coping with Alzheimer's.	<a href="http://www.alznorcal.org">www.alznorcal.org</a>
American Diabetes Association	ADA supports research to find a prevention and cure for diabetes, which affects 1 in 14 Californians. Educational programs and support groups are conducted locally.	<a href="http://www.diabetes.org">www.diabetes.org</a>
American Heart Organization	Funding research breakthroughs, local programming and much more.	<a href="http://www.heart.org/sacramento">www.heart.org/sacramento</a>
American Liver Foundation	Supports research and education to prevent, treat and cure hepatitis and other liver diseases. Provides education programs, support groups, literature, website, information hotline and referrals.	<a href="http://www.liverfoundation.org">www.liverfoundation.org</a>
American Lung Association	Works to prevent chronic obstructive lung disease; the third leading cause of death in California, including emphysema, asthma, tuberculosis, lung cancer, and associated causes.	<a href="http://www.lungusa.org">www.lungusa.org</a>
Arthritis Foundation	Supports research to find prevention and cure for arthritis. Provides public and professional education, support groups, self-help courses, exercise classes, physician referral, and free literature.	<a href="http://www.arthritis.org">www.arthritis.org</a>
Better Health East Bay Foundation	At Better Health East Bay we apply a common sense, data-driven approach to help prevent and treat illnesses like breast cancer and cardiovascular disease, and improve the overall health and well-being of the diverse communities that call our region home.	<a href="http://betterhealtheastbay.org">betterhealtheastbay.org</a>
California Hospice Foundation	Offers support and technical assistance to over 120 hospices. CHF provides terminally ill patients in all areas with quality care and needed service.	<a href="http://http://calhospice.org">http://calhospice.org</a>
	Serves patients from King County up to the Oregon border by funding research, raising awareness, and providing education and support to IBD patients.	<a href="http://www.ccfa.org">www.ccfa.org</a>
Cancer Research Institute	Supports basic and clinical research nationwide. Funding decisions overseen by Scientific Advisory Council that includes five Nobel laureates. Proven Fiscal integrity. Cancer Helpbook available.	<a href="http://www.cancerresearch.org">www.cancerresearch.org</a>
Children's Tumor Foundation	Promotes and supports research to find causes and cures for NF; provides information and support to those affected by NF and promotes public awareness.	<a href="http://www.ctf.org">www.ctf.org</a>
Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation	Encourages and supports research worldwide to find a cure for paralysis caused by spinal cord injury and other nervous system disorders.	<a href="http://www.paralysis.org">www.paralysis.org</a>
City of Hope	Internationally recognized innovative biomedical research, treatment and educational institution. Physicians/scientists dedicated to the prevention and cure of cancer, HIV/AIDS, diabetes and other life threatening diseases.	<a href="http://www.cityofhope.org">www.cityofhope.org</a>
Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America	Secures funding for biomedical, genetic and clinical research into the cause and potential cure of inflammatory bowel disease. Offers local patient support services.	<a href="http://www.ccfa.org">www.ccfa.org</a>
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation	CF is the most common fatal genetic disease in the U.S. The foundation actively supports the advancement of medical science to find a control and cure.	<a href="http://www.cff.org">www.cff.org</a>
Cystic Fibrosis Research, Inc.	CFRI awards grant funding to major Cystic Fibrosis research centers and universities, and actively supports education and outreach to the CF	<a href="http://www.cfri.org">www.cfri.org</a>

	community.	
Easter Seals	Helps disabled persons achieve greater independence through a variety of services, including early intervention, senior programs, daycare and aquatic therapy.	<a href="http://www.easter-seals.org">www.easter-seals.org</a>
Epilepsy Foundation of America - Northern California	1 in 100 adults and 1 in 50 children have epilepsy. We support people affected by epilepsy through information and referral, education and advocacy programs.	<a href="http://www.epilepsynorcal.org">www.epilepsynorcal.org</a>
Families of Spinal Muscular Atrophy	Provides support and information to individuals and their families, educates the public and medical community, and conducts fundraising to support research towards a cure for SMA.	<a href="http://www.fsma.org">www.fsma.org</a>
Firefighters Burn Institute	Provides recovery services for burn survivors, summer camp for burn-injured children, fire and burn prevention equipment, continuing education and research, and supports burn care families	<a href="http://www.ffburn.org">www.ffburn.org</a>
Hemophilia Council of California	Represents individual organizations devoted to finding a cure for hemophilia, Von Willebrand's disease, and other coagulating deficiencies through research and psycho-social services.	<a href="http://www.hemophiliaca.org">www.hemophiliaca.org</a>
Hemophilia Foundation of Northern California	The Hemophilia Foundation of Northern California is a non-profit, volunteer-run organization serving the needs of people with hemophilia and related bleeding disorders such as Von Willebrand Disease.	<a href="http://www.hemofoundation.org">www.hemofoundation.org</a>
Hemophilia Foundation of Southern California	To improve the quality of life and build community for families and individuals living with hemophilia or other bleeding disorders by offering a variety of programs and services that educate, advocate and support the needs of the bleeding disorders community in Southern California.	<a href="http://www.hemosocal.org">www.hemosocal.org</a>
Hospice Foundation	Helps support this community network of organizations that provide care and comfort to the people at the end of life and their families.	<a href="http://www.hospicegiving.org">www.hospicegiving.org</a>
Huntington's Disease Society of America	HDSA supports research on Huntington's disease, a fatal brain disorder, and assists patients and families through programs of patient services, education and community services.	<a href="http://www.hdsa.org">www.hdsa.org</a>
Hydrocephalus Association	Provides support and educational resources to families and professional dealing with abnormal accumulation of cerebrospinal fluid within the brain.	<a href="http://www.hydroassoc.org">www.hydroassoc.org</a>
JDRF-Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation	JDRF is the leading global organization focused on type 1 diabetes (T1D) research. The goal of JDRF research is to improve the lives of all people affected by T1D by accelerating progress on the most promising opportunities for curing, better treating, and preventing T1D. JDRF collaborates with a wide spectrum of partners who share this goal.	<a href="http://www.jdrf.org/norcal">www.jdrf.org/norcal</a>
Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Northern California Division	Dedicated to curing leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families. Supports research, patient services, education.	<a href="http://www.leukemia-lymphoma.org">www.leukemia-lymphoma.org</a>
Lupus Foundation of America	Provides public education, patient services, and research for this disease affecting connective tissue and immune system. Primarily strikes females in their childbearing years.	<a href="http://www.lupuscalifornia.org">www.lupuscalifornia.org</a>
March of Dimes Foundation	Our mission is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects and infant mortality through programs of research, education, community services and advocacy.	<a href="http://www.marchofdimes.com">www.marchofdimes.com</a>
Mission Hospice of San Mateo	Offers support and technical assistance to terminally ill patients so that they receive quality care and needed services.	<a href="http://www.missionhospice.org">www.missionhospice.org</a>
Muscular Dystrophy Association	MDA is the nonprofit health agency dedicated to curing muscular dystrophy, ALS and related diseases by funding worldwide research. The Association also provides comprehensive health care and support services, advocacy and education.	<a href="http://www.mdausa.org">www.mdausa.org</a>
Myasthenia Gravis Foundation	A voluntary health organization dedicated to assisting patients with this neuromuscular disease through patient education, drug bank and medical research.	<a href="http://www.myasthenia-ca.org">www.myasthenia-ca.org</a>
National Alliance of Mental Illness	NAMI is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness.	<a href="http://www.naminc.org">www.naminc.org</a>
National Kidney Foundation	Provides direct patient services, public and professional education, treatment, research, transplantation and cure for patients with kidney disease.	<a href="http://www.kidneyca.org">www.kidneyca.org</a>

National Psoriasis Foundation	Working to find a cure for psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis and to eliminate their devastating effects through research, advocacy and education.	<a href="http://www.psoriasis.org">www.psoriasis.org</a>
National Reye's Syndrome Foundation	Funds awareness and research programs, while offering guidance to victims of Reye's Syndrome throughout California for this often fatal disease associated with aspirin use.	<a href="http://www.reyessyndrome.org">www.reyessyndrome.org</a>
New Horizons-SFVAR	Provides services and support to developmentally disabled adults with social/recreational services to residents within Santa Clarita and San Fernando Valleys of Los Angeles.	<a href="http://www.newhorizons-sfv.org">www.newhorizons-sfv.org</a>
Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, Inc.	The only national organization crating hope in a comprehensive way through research, patient support, community outreach and advocacy of a cure.	<a href="http://www.pancan.org">www.pancan.org</a>
The Parkinson's Institute	Providers of compassionate patient care, outreach, education, and cutting edge basic and on site clinical research in Parkinson's disease and related neurodegenerative disorders.	<a href="http://www.theipi.org">www.theipi.org</a>
Planned Parenthood Mar Monte	Accessible, personalized, affordable reproductive and primary health care, education programs and advocacy for women, men teens and families throughout Central and Northern California.	<a href="http://www.ppmarmonte.org">www.ppmarmonte.org</a>
Prevent Blindness America	We provide vision screening; school, farm, sports, and industrial eye safety programs; education and research on preventable causes of blindness. All services are free.	<a href="http://www.preventblindness.org">www.preventblindness.org</a>
Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southern California	Provides a home away from home for families of children undergoing treatment for cancer and other serious illnesses, and camping experience for children with cancer.	<a href="http://www.rmhcsc.org">www.rmhcsc.org</a>
San Jose Firefighters Burn Foundation	Provides recovery services for burn survivors, summer camp for burn-injured children, fire and burn prevention equipment, continuing education and research, and supports burn care families	<a href="http://www.siff.org">www.siff.org</a>
Sickle Cell Disease Foundation of California	Public & professional education, counseling & screening, children's programs, youth and adult services; Camp Crescent moon; academic guidance; emergency grants; support groups and referrals.	<a href="http://www.scdfc.org">www.scdfc.org</a>
Spina Bifida Association of California	The Spina Bifida Association (SBA) serves adults and children who live with the challenges of Spina Bifida. Since 1973, SBA has been the only national voluntary health agency solely dedicated to enhancing the lives of those with Spina Bifida and those whose lives are touched by this challenging birth defect. Its tools are education, advocacy, research, and service.	<a href="http://spinabifidaassociation.org/">spinabifidaassociation.org/</a>
St. Jude Children's Research Hospital	World's premier institute dedicated to research, treatment and cure of children with cancer, pediatric AIDS, leukemia, and other catastrophic diseases. All patient/family costs covered.	<a href="http://www.stjude.org">www.stjude.org</a>
Susan G. Komen for the Cure- San Francisco Bay Area Affiliate	Imagine life without Breast Cancer. Make it a reality for all nations by racing of the cure and funding life-saving research and community health programs.	<a href="http://www.komensf.org">www.komensf.org</a>
Team of Advocates for Special Kids	Team of Advocates for Special Kids (TASK) is a nonprofit charitable organization whose mission is to enable individuals with disabilities to reach their maximum potential by providing them, their families and the professionals who serve them with training, support, information, resources and referrals, and by providing community awareness programs.	<a href="http://www.taskca.org">www.taskca.org</a>
The Painted Turtle	The Painted Turtle offers children with serious medical conditions and their families a unique camp experience designed to foster personal growth and exploration. Our goal is to empower campers— to make new friends, try new things, build self-confidence, and become more independent in their medical care. In short, we aspire to	<a href="http://www.thepaintedturtle.org">www.thepaintedturtle.org</a>

help our campers discover all that is *possible* in their lives.

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United Cerebral Palsy

Our mission is to advance the independence, productivity and full citizenship of children and adults with developmental disabilities and those with similar service needs.

[www.ucpla.org/](http://www.ucpla.org/)

Since 1982, EarthShare California's mission is to protect, support and improve California's natural heritage of clean air, safe water, diverse wildlife, and healthy communities and families by raising funds for our **over 100** leading environmental & conservation member organizations. Donations to A001 EarthShare California general fund are allocated equally among all member organizations.

## EarthShare California Special Impact Funds

You also have the option to select any combination of our Special Impact Funds. Donations are allocated among EarthShare California member nonprofits who have programs addressing that specific environmental issue.

A100 Children's Health Fund	A104 Human Health & Food Resources Fund
A101 Climate Change & Energy Technology Fund	A105 Water Solutions Fund
A102 Environmental Education & Research Fund	A106 Wildlife Protection Fund
A103 Forest, Parks & Land Conservation Fund	A107 WILDFIRE RECOVERY FUND

And/or select from any combination of our certified member nonprofit organizations:

<b>A001 EarthShare California</b> <a href="http://www.earthshareca.org">www.earthshareca.org</a>	<b>D329 Beyond Pesticides</b> <a href="http://www.beyondpesticides.org">www.beyondpesticides.org</a>
<b>D300 African Wildlife Foundation</b> <a href="http://www.awf.org">www.awf.org</a>	<b>D388 Born Free USA</b> <a href="http://www.bornfreeusa.org">www.bornfreeusa.org</a>
<b>D350 Alaska Conservation Foundation</b> <a href="http://www.alaskaconservation.org">www.alaskaconservation.org</a>	<b>G699 Butte Environmental Council</b> <a href="http://www.becprotects.org">www.becprotects.org</a>
<b>D370 Alliance to Save Energy</b> <a href="http://www.ase.org">www.ase.org</a>	<b>B101 California Native Plant Society</b> <a href="http://www.cnps.org">www.cnps.org</a>
<b>G929 American Bird Conservancy</b> <a href="http://www.abcbirds.org">www.abcbirds.org</a>	<b>B103 Californians Against Waste Foundation</b> <a href="http://www.cawrecycles.org">www.cawrecycles.org</a>
<b>D301 American Farmland Trust</b> <a href="http://www.farmland.org">www.farmland.org</a>	<b>D372 Carbonfund.org Foundation</b> <a href="http://www.carbonfund.org">www.carbonfund.org</a>
<b>D302 American Forests</b> <a href="http://www.americanforests.org">www.americanforests.org</a>	<b>D389 CERES, Inc.</b> <a href="http://www.ceres.org">www.ceres.org</a>
<b>D303 American Rivers</b> <a href="http://www.AmericanRivers.org">www.AmericanRivers.org</a>	<b>D373 Children's Environmental Health Network</b> <a href="http://www.cehn.org">www.cehn.org</a>
<b>C202 Anza-Borrego Foundation</b> <a href="http://www.theabf.org">www.theabf.org</a>	<b>C207 Clean Water Fund of California</b> <a href="http://www.cleanwaterfund.org">www.cleanwaterfund.org</a>
<b>G930 As You Sow</b> <a href="http://www.asyousow.org">www.asyousow.org</a>	<b>D309 Conservation International</b> <a href="http://www.conservation.org">www.conservation.org</a>
<b>G804 Bat Conservation International</b> <a href="http://www.batcon.org">www.batcon.org</a>	
<b>C203 Bay Area Ridge Trail Council</b> <a href="http://www.ridgetrail.org">www.ridgetrail.org</a>	

- D310 Defenders of Wildlife**  
[www.Defenders.org](http://www.Defenders.org)
- B107 Desert Tortoise Preserve Committee**  
[www.tortoise-tracks.org](http://www.tortoise-tracks.org)
- C209 Earth Island Institute**  
[www.earthisland.org](http://www.earthisland.org)
- D362 EARTH University Foundation**  
[www.earth-usa.org](http://www.earth-usa.org)
- B108 Earthjustice**  
[www.earthjustice.org](http://www.earthjustice.org)
- D365 Earthworks**  
[www.earthworksaction.org](http://www.earthworksaction.org)
- L101 Education Outside**  
[www.educationoutside.org](http://www.educationoutside.org)
- D314 Environmental and Energy Study Institute**  
[www.eesi.org](http://www.eesi.org)
- B110 Environmental Defense Fund California**  
[www.edf.org](http://www.edf.org)
- D391 Environmental Integrity Project**  
[www.environmentalintegrity.org](http://www.environmentalintegrity.org)
- D392 Environmental Law Alliance Worldwide**  
[www.elaw.org](http://www.elaw.org)
- D317 Environmental Law Institute**  
[www.eli.org](http://www.eli.org)
- D357 Food & Water Watch**  
[www.foodandwaterwatch.org](http://www.foodandwaterwatch.org)
- D374 Forest Stewardship Council - US**  
[www.fsc.org](http://www.fsc.org)
- D318 Friends of the Earth**  
[www.foe.org](http://www.foe.org)



- D393 Friends of the National Zoo**  
[www.fonz.org](http://www.fonz.org)
- B111 Friends of the River Foundation**  
[www.friendsoftheriver.org](http://www.friendsoftheriver.org)
- D358 Galapagos Conservancy**  
[www.galapagos.org](http://www.galapagos.org)
- B130 Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy**  
[www.parksconservancy.org](http://www.parksconservancy.org)
- D376 Green America**  
[www.GreenAmerica.org](http://www.GreenAmerica.org)
- G745 Green Corps, Inc.**  
[www.GreenCorps.org](http://www.GreenCorps.org)
- B112 Greenbelt Alliance**  
[www.greenbelt.org](http://www.greenbelt.org)
- D394 HawkWatch International**  
[www.hawkwatch.org](http://www.hawkwatch.org)
- B114 Heal The Bay**  
[www.healthebay.org](http://www.healthebay.org)
- D363 Institute for Transportation & Development Policy**  
[www.itdp.org](http://www.itdp.org)
- D321 Izaak Walton League of America**  
[www.iwla.org](http://www.iwla.org)
- D353 Jane Goodall Institute for Wildlife Research, Education, and Conservation**  
[www.janegoodall.org](http://www.janegoodall.org)
- D322 Land Trust Alliance**  
[www.landtrustalliance.org](http://www.landtrustalliance.org)
- D378 League of Conservation Voters Education Fund**  
[www.lcvef.org](http://www.lcvef.org)
- D366 Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics**  
[www.LNT.org](http://www.LNT.org)
- B115 Marin Conservation League**  
[www.marinconservationleague.org](http://www.marinconservationleague.org)
- C218 Mountain Lion Foundation**  
[www.mountainlion.org](http://www.mountainlion.org)
- D367 National Aquarium**  
[www.aqua.org](http://www.aqua.org)
- D323 National Audubon Society**  
[www.audubon.org](http://www.audubon.org)

**D380 National Environmental Education Foundation**  
[www.neefusa.org](http://www.neefusa.org)

**D354 National Fish and Wildlife Foundation**  
[www.nfwf.org](http://www.nfwf.org)

**D359 National Forest Foundation**  
[www.nationalforests.org](http://www.nationalforests.org)

**D325 National Parks Conservation Association**  
[www.npca.org](http://www.npca.org)

**D324 National Wildlife Federation**  
[www.nwf.org](http://www.nwf.org)

**B116 Natural Resources Defense Council**  
[www.nrdc.org](http://www.nrdc.org)

**B117 Nature Conservancy of California, The**  
[www.nature.org](http://www.nature.org)

**D381 NatureServe**  
[www.natureserve.org](http://www.natureserve.org)

**D305 Ocean Conservancy**  
[www.oceanconservancy.org](http://www.oceanconservancy.org)

**C200 Oceana**  
[www.oceana.org](http://www.oceana.org)

**G546 Our City Forest**  
[www.ourcityforest.org](http://www.ourcityforest.org)

**C220 Pacific Environment**  
[www.pacificenvironment.org](http://www.pacificenvironment.org)

**D346 Peregrine Fund, The**  
[www.peregrinefund.org](http://www.peregrinefund.org)

**D382 Physicians for Social Responsibility**  
[www.psr.org](http://www.psr.org)

**D332 Rainforest Alliance**  
[www.rainforest-alliance.org](http://www.rainforest-alliance.org)

**D360 Restore America's Estuaries**  
[www.estuaries.org](http://www.estuaries.org)

**D333 Rocky Mountain Institute**  
[www.rmi.org](http://www.rmi.org)

**B131 Sacramento Tree Foundation**  
[www.sactree.com](http://www.sactree.com)

**G742 San Diego Coastkeeper**  
[www.sdcoastkeeper.org](http://www.sdcoastkeeper.org)

**C205 San Francisco Baykeeper**  
[www.baykeeper.org](http://www.baykeeper.org)

**B126 San Geronio Wilderness Association**  
[www.sgwa.org](http://www.sgwa.org)

**C226 Save The Bay**  
[www.savesfbay.org](http://www.savesfbay.org)

**D335 Scenic America**  
[www.scenic.org](http://www.scenic.org)



**B120 Sierra Club Foundation**  
[www.tscf.org](http://www.tscf.org)

**C235 Surfrider Foundation**  
[www.surfrider.org](http://www.surfrider.org)

**D361 Sustainable Harvest International**  
[www.sustainableharvest.org](http://www.sustainableharvest.org)

**D395 The Regeneration Project**  
[www.interfaithpowerandlight.org](http://www.interfaithpowerandlight.org)

**B122 Trust for Public Land, The**  
[www.tpl.org](http://www.tpl.org)

**D339 Union of Concerned Scientists**  
[www.ucsusa.org](http://www.ucsusa.org)

**F452 Urban Corps of San Diego County**  
[www.urbancorpssd.org](http://www.urbancorpssd.org)

**D396 Wild Dolphin Project**  
[www.wilddolphinproject.org](http://www.wilddolphinproject.org)

**D385 WILD Foundation, The**  
[www.wild.org](http://www.wild.org)

**C233 Wilderness Society, The**  
[www.wilderness.org](http://www.wilderness.org)

**D342 Wildlife Conservation Society**  
[www.wcs.org](http://www.wcs.org)

**D397 Wildlife Habitat Council**  
[www.wildlifehc.org](http://www.wildlifehc.org)

**D343 World Resources Institute**  
[www.wri.org](http://www.wri.org)

**D344 World Wildlife Fund**  
[www.worldwildlife.org](http://www.worldwildlife.org)

**D364 Xerces Society**  
[www.xerces.org](http://www.xerces.org)

**D386 Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative**  
[www.y2y.net](http://www.y2y.net)

# HEALTHCARE HEROES

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Be a **Healthcare Hero**. You don't need tights, a mask, or even a cape. All it takes is a donation to Healthcare Heroes. 100% of your donation goes toward purchasing equipment and supporting health programs at San Mateo Medical Center.

A few recently funded items include:

- Yoga Equipment for Pain Clinic patient classes
- Wii Game System for Long-Term Care resident rehabilitation
- OB/GYN Diagnostic Equipment
- Palliative Care Unit furnishings
- Television for patient education at Daly City Clinic
- Breast health outreach to women in underserved communities
- Exam room for the Ron Robinson Senior Care Center

*It's Your Choice.* Donors to Healthcare Heroes can choose to designate their donations to one of the funds listed below:

- (1) Greatest Need** - Supports the greatest healthcare needs at San Mateo Medical Center.
- (2) Keller Center for Family Violence Intervention** - Supports the unique services provided to victims of child abuse, sexual assault, elder abuse, and domestic violence in San Mateo County.
- (3) Ron Robinson Senior Care Center** - Supports the physical, mental, social, and lifestyle needs of those 60 and older in San Mateo County.
- (4) Breast Health and Outreach** - Supports implementation of digital mammography at San Mateo Medical Center and breast health outreach to women in our community.
- (5) South County Health Center** - Supports the equipment, furnishing, and patient experience needs at the new clinic opening in 2013.

Healthcare Heroes is an employee-directed giving program that supports health initiatives and programs at San Mateo Medical Center. Founded in 1987, Healthcare Heroes is part of the San Mateo County Health Foundation and welcomes donations from all County employees interested in improving health in San Mateo County.

For more information, please visit: [www.smchf.org/donate/employee-giving](http://www.smchf.org/donate/employee-giving)

# SHERIFF'S ACTIVITIES LEAGUE

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The San Mateo County Sheriff's Activities League (SAL) is a non-profit community based organization that was founded in 1997 with the purpose of strengthening relationships between youth, deputies and communities to aid in the prevention of juvenile delinquency in San Mateo County through positive and dynamic programs.

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SAL addresses the needs of youth in the following focus areas:

- Building the bond between deputies, youth and communities
- Health and Wellness
- Academic Achievement
- Leadership Development and Mentoring
- Learn more at <http://www.sheriffsactivitiesleague.com/>

# CHILDREN'S FUND

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**The Children's Fund** was established in 1973. The Children's Fund provides assistance all year round to children from newborn to 18 years old.

The Fund provides goods and services that are not available through public funds to assist children and youth who are currently being served by County programs. These departments include Health Services, The Human Services Agency, Probation, and Child Support.

We deal directly with County case workers to get items to the families/children in need. No administrative overhead is charged to the fund.

Children's Fund provides: clothing, school supplies, diapers, Halloween costumes, holiday toys and funds for orthodontic treatment for those who qualify.

For more information about the Children's Fund please contact: Alejandra Haro at (650) 802-5152, email [Childrensfund@smcgov.org](mailto:Childrensfund@smcgov.org) or visit our website: <http://childrensfund.smcgov.org/>

# SAN MATEO COUNTY PARKS FOUNDATION

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Our **County Parks** are a vital part of our community. We play and exercise in our parks and they are places where we gather with our family and friends. The historic sites, trails and tide pools are destinations for schools and the campgrounds and day camp sites serve our youth groups. The open spaces offer us solitude, and their beauty and quiet nourish our soul. The wild places provide habitat for native plants and animals.

The San Mateo County Parks Foundation's mission is to inspire people to care for, learn about and enjoy our parks. A partner with San Mateo County Parks, we raise funds to support projects, programs and volunteers to benefit the parks and its visitors. We are committed to conserving and improving San Mateo County Parks for current and future generations to enjoy.

Funds raised by the Foundation support a variety of programs like Bicycle Sunday along Cañada Road and projects like new trail signs and trail repair. The San Mateo County Parks Foundation has funded habitat restoration efforts, volunteer programs and upgrades to park facilities like playgrounds, shade shelters, ADA pathways and much more. Our biggest project has been the planning, design and build of the Bill and Jean Lane Education Center at Edgewood Park and Natural Preserve. Going forward we will focus on programs that better connect people to the parks, such as environmental education field trips for low-income youth, and improvements to Memorial Park which will turn 100 in 2024!

All employee contributions go directly to a project or program in the parks.

The County Parks System contributes significantly the quality of life citizens enjoy in San Mateo County. As a supporter, your commitment to sustain and enhance the County Parks will be a lasting legacy.

[www.supportparks.org](http://www.supportparks.org)

**Enjoy Parks. Support Parks.**



Foundation  
FOR SAN MATEO  
COUNTY LIBRARIES

# FOUNDATION FOR SAN MATEO COUNTY LIBRARIES

The Foundation for San Mateo County Libraries supports Youth and Family Services, Community Engagement, and Lifelong Learning. The Foundation was established in 2018 to build a legacy for our communities and its mission is to provide annual resources to support the Libraries' goals and systemwide initiatives.

San Mateo County Libraries are a pillar in our communities, providing unmatched services and consistently ranked as one of the best libraries in the nation. Whether a person is interested in adult literacy classes, baby sign language programs, or starting a business, the libraries are available to support everyone in their educational and creative endeavors with free, equal access to resources and programs. San Mateo County Libraries provide opportunities for:

- Children to build and gain confidence and skills through early learning and literacy programs like storytimes, STEAM activities, and summer enrichment camps.
- Teens to learn leadership skills by mentoring younger students, practicing problem-solving skills, or collaborating with a group.
- Adults to connect with other community members, earn a high school diploma and career certificate, and expand skills with technology.

San Mateo County Libraries serve the diverse cities of Atherton, Belmont, Brisbane, East Palo Alto, Foster City, Half Moon Bay, Millbrae, Pacifica, Portola Valley, San Carlos, Woodside and the unincorporated areas of the County. The primary source of revenue comes from dedicated property taxes and covers the staffing and basic operational costs of the libraries, however, the extensive and innovative programming offered for all ages comes from one-time funds, which are not guaranteed year after year.

Join us!

By becoming a donor, you will invest in the power to enrich the lives of everyone in our communities. With gifts from generous people like you, we can fund and enhance library collections and technology, free programs and events, and expanded access – ensuring the continued strength of San Mateo County Libraries.

<https://investinsmcl.org>

**Contact:**

info@investinsmcl.org  
650-312-5296

# THE ADULT FUND

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Here are some examples of the kinds of items and services provided by **The Adult Fund**:

- A small refrigerator in which to store meals from the Meals on Wheels program: \$136.00

"Getting the refrigerator meant a whole lot to me. It meant I could put my groceries into my refrigerator every day and have fresh groceries. It meant I could get my Meals on Wheels back again. It was a blessing for me. Thank you." - *Adult Fund recipient*

- A heating pad for a client with chronic neck and back pain: \$22.00
- Socks, Shoes and Pants for a man without income: \$200.00
- A padded transfer bench for a woman on Medi-Cal: \$180.00

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- Moving costs for a woman facing harassment in her apartment complex: \$200.00
  - A space heater and blankets to protect a client from cold winter nights: \$100.00
  - An electric scooter for a client with polio: \$207.00
  - Lifeline - a telephone emergency response system - for a low-income, homebound individual: \$60.00 per month

Low-income senior and disabled adults in San Mateo County have many of their needs covered by Social Security, Medicare, and Medi-Cal. However, there are other needed equipment and services that these resources don't cover, or that a meager budget can't afford. This is when clients of Aging and Adult Services turn to the Adult Fund.

The Adult Fund was established in 1983 by social workers and support staff from what was then the Long Term Care Division. It was born out of the concern that after assessing the needs of the seniors and adult with disabilities in its programs, agency staff was often unable to meet even the most basic needs. Neither existing public funds nor client resources could cover the cost of these items that could improve the quality of life and/or enhance the independence of these clients.

# HOME DELIVERED MEALS PROGRAM

## (MEALS ON WHEELS)

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When you give to the Adult Fund, 100% of your tax-deductible donation goes directly to the fund. The county donates administrative and staff costs. A committee - consisting of staff of Aging and Adult Services - meets monthly to review requests for client assistance. Donations from Aging and Adult Services staff comprise 80% of Adult Fund funds.

The **Home Delivered Meals Program (HDM) of San Mateo County** provides meals to home-bound individuals who are unable to prepare their own meals or go out to eat and who have little or no assistance in obtaining meals. Meals may be provided on a long-term basis or during short-term convalescence.

Older American Act Funded / County Sponsored Home Delivered Meals Program provides vital nutrition and regular contact from the person delivering the meal, helping frail and at-risk older adults and people with disabilities to live safely in their own homes. **In FY 2013-14, 111,355 meals were delivered to San Mateo County older adults and 6,525 meals were served to adults aged 18-59.**

The HDM program has been in operation in San Mateo County since 1978. In 1992, the MOW Coalition promoted the expansion of the program to include individuals who were HDM eligible, but under age 60. The program consists of HDM, for individuals aged 60 and above, and Supplemental HDM, serving adults aged 18-59. Since there are no Federal or State funds dedicated to non-senior meals, there have been on-going fund-raising activities to support these programs.

Much of the success of the County's HDM Program is due to the collaboration between the County and dedicated service providers. HDM providers include the City of Pacifica, Peninsula Volunteers, Inc., San Mateo Medical Center, Self Help for the Elderly, and Senior Coastsiders. To deliver thousands of meals each year, these providers must coordinate large numbers of volunteers and contribute significant monetary and in-kind support to the program. The HDM program relies on a variety of support including Federal, State, County and provider funds, voluntary participant contributions, and other fund-raising activities.

Menus are reviewed and approved by a Registered Dietitian to ensure meals are nutritious. The goal is to keep recipients healthy by complying with the United States Department of Agriculture guidelines.

Your support will enable providers in San Mateo County to meet the ongoing demand for this vital service in spite of increasing food preparation and delivery costs. **Your contribution goes directly towards purchasing meals and helping members of our community remain in their own homes.**

**Make a difference by donating today.  
Giving changes lives!**

For just \$6, you can buy a nutritious well-balanced meal and help a homebound older adult or adult with disabilities maintain their independence rather than be placed in a nursing home or long term care facility. Your contribution will also provide a much needed friendly in-person check on the individual when they receive meals, possible nutrition counseling, and yearly in-home assessments as part of the HDM program.

## HOMELESS TRUST FUND

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Each year, more than 7,000 men, women and children are homeless in San Mateo County. The 2013 point-in-time homeless census determined that there were 2,281 homeless people **including children** in San Mateo County on the night of January 24, 2013. When deciding where to send your charitable contributions this year, consider contributing to our agency's Homeless Trust Fund.

The Homeless Trust Fund was established in an effort to address some of the issues facing homeless families and individuals. The resources of the Fund can help move people from shelter to housing, or save them from losing their homes and becoming homeless. Your contributions will directly impact the lives of individuals facing homelessness. Here are a couple of stories of how the Homeless Trust Fund has touched lives:

*"Mary" needed help. When Mary's husband left her, she suddenly became a single mother of three children. Mary attended local college as a nursing student hoping to be awarded financial aid. While living in a local family shelter, she was able to find a reasonable place to live but lacked the required funds for the security deposit to move in. The **Homeless Trust Fund** provided her with **security deposit money** to move from the shelter to a place of her own with her three children. Had the Homeless Trust Fund not provided rental security deposit assistance, Mary and her kids may have ended up with no place to live when it became time to leave the shelter.*

*The Trust Fund enabled St. Vincent de Paul to furnish 35 homeless individuals with motel vouchers for relief from the harsh winter nights, and to purchase sleeping bags for homeless individuals who are were the streets one year.*

With the generous support of people like you we will be able to continue helping many of these families and individuals not only to meet their housing needs but to work toward self-sufficiency. These families and individuals aspire for better future— **please consider your power of giving!**

For more information on how you can help, contact Linda Nguyen or Ali Shirkhani, San Mateo County Center on Homelessness by e-mail at [linguyen@smchsa.org](mailto:linguyen@smchsa.org) or [ashirkhani@smchsa.org](mailto:ashirkhani@smchsa.org) or by phone at 650-802-5083/7675.

## WENDLER SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT FUND

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**Wendler Substance Abuse Treatment Fund** was established in 2006 to supplement County expenditures for substance abuse treatment and services. These funds will help current and former criminal defendants in the San Mateo County Treatment Courts as well as provide rewards and incentives for good performance in those Treatment Court programs.

According to the U.S. Department of Justice, more than two-thirds of jail inmates abuse or are dependent on alcohol or drugs (68%). Studies show that every dollar (\$1) spent on drug abuse treatment results in \$7 in societal savings.

Your donations will enable our clients to receive additional services such as health care, dental needs, housing assistance, food and clothing, educational training, and job placement. All contributions will benefit the clients directly.

# CASA of SAN MATEO COUNTY

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**CASA of San Mateo County** pairs children who have come under the protection of the Juvenile Court with caring, community volunteers who provide companionship, mentoring and support. A Court Appointed Special Advocates program, CASA serves San Mateo County's most challenged, isolated, and at-risk children who are concentrated in the most impoverished parts of the county. Our unique and often life-changing services are not available through any other nonprofit or government agency.

CASA volunteers meet with their children weekly, establishing trust through caring one-on-one relationships. A CASA volunteer might take a child to a playground or park, help with homework or engage a child in enriching experiences such as a trip to a museum or zoo. They get to know each child and help them discover new talents and interests. For example, a CASA can help a child find resources to enroll in a dance, swimming or martial arts class. A CASA can be a mentor, helping a teenager follow his dreams to attend college or find a job. Most importantly, CASA volunteers spend 10 hours a month, getting to know each child and offering adult guidance and encouragement during difficult times.

As an important part of each foster child's team, CASA Volunteers collaborate with families, teachers, social workers, attorneys and other professionals in the child welfare system. CASA volunteers gather and share information through Court reports so that judges are able to make informed decisions. CASA volunteers work within the child's community, advocating for the child in the educational, medical and mental health systems. CASA of San Mateo County has the strong support of Juvenile Court Judges the Private Defender Panel, Children and Family Services, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services, Probation and nonprofits that serve foster youth such as Star Vista. Judges, social workers and attorneys frequently comment in open Court on the value of the volunteers' court reports and solicit additional feedback from them during the hearings. Through this partnership between professionals in the child's life and CASA's dedicated community volunteers, foster children are able to get the services they need to heal and to thrive.

By harnessing the power of dedicated community volunteers, CASA provides a model of care that is both cost effective and evidence-based. Research published by the National CASA Association has shown that a partnership with a CASA volunteer increases a foster child's chances of finding a safe and permanent home, succeeding in school and developing the attitudes and interpersonal skills necessary to shape a brighter future. This past year, 225 foster children were touched by a CASA volunteer, but over 400 children remain on our growing waitlist. Your donation will help CASA expand our capacity in order to provide each and every foster child with a CASA volunteer.

For more information please contact: Carrie Schartenberg, Development Director, at (650) 730-5935 or [carrie@casaofsanmateo.org](mailto:carrie@casaofsanmateo.org)

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# THE 100 CLUB OF SAN MATEO COUNTY

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**The One Hundred Club of San Mateo County** is an organization that provides immediate financial support to the spouses and families of peace officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty while serving San Mateo County. The Club also grants scholarships to the children of San Mateo County peace officers who have lost their lives. The One Hundred Club aids San Mateo County peace officers in furthering their professional education in order to better serve their communities. The Club is proud to have contributed to the families of fallen officers since its inception in 1972.

# CANINE COMPANIONS FOR INDEPENDENCE



## WHO WE ARE

Founded in 1975, Canine Companions for Independence® is a non-profit organization that enhances the lives of people with disabilities by providing highly trained assistance dogs and ongoing support to ensure quality partnerships.

The assistance dogs we breed, raise and train aren't just the ears, hands and legs of their human partners. They're also goodwill ambassadors and often, their best friends. They open up new opportunities and new possibilities, and spread incredible joy. We unite people with dogs in a powerful program that leads to greater independence and confidence.

## FROM PUP TO ASSISTANCE DOG

Canine Companions® breeds Labrador Retrievers, Golden Retrievers, and a cross of the two to be assistance dogs. Volunteers care for our breeder dogs and nurture newborn puppies for eight weeks. Canine Companions puppies spend the next 14-18 months with volunteer puppy raisers who provide basic obedience training, socialization and care. Then Canine Companions' professional trainers train the dogs for an additional 4-6 months at one of our 6 training centers across the country, teaching the dogs to pick up dropped items, turn on and off lights, open and close doors and more. Finally, our trainers match our fully trained assistance dogs with people with disabilities, creating a life of greater independence and confidence.

Give Independence – and Give a Dog a Job.  
Thanks to donors like you, each life-changing dog  
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