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PENINSULA HEALTH CARE DISTRICT APPROVES \$50,000 IN FUNDING TO SUPPORT CITY OF MILLBRAE'S YOUTH AND SENIOR PROGRAMS DISPLACED BY COMMUNITY CENTER FIRE

BURLINGAME, CA, August 29, 2016 – The Peninsula Health Care District Board of Directors last week approved \$50,000 in funding to support youth and senior programs that have been displaced by the recent Millbrae Community Center fire.

In July, the Millbrae Community Center was destroyed by a suspected arson fire. The Center served as a social and wellness hub for local residents, providing facilities for a variety of youth and senior recreational services – including sports leagues, fitness classes, early childhood activities, and senior events and arts programs. Since the fire, the City's Recreation staff has worked with community organizations to arrange for programs to be held at nearby schools and facilities.

At its recent meeting, the PHCD Board discussed the loss of the Center and unanimously agreed to provide funds to support the valuable community programs. "We are saddened by the destruction of the Millbrae Community Center and recognize the important role it plays in the lives of our community members," said PHCD Board Chair Lawrence Cappel, Ph.D. "We are proud to offer Millbrae our support, as ensuring availability and accessibility to local youth and senior programs is critical to the overall health and wellness of our community."

About Peninsula Health Care District

Founded in 1947, the Peninsula Health Care District serves the communities of San Bruno, Millbrae, Burlingame, Hillsborough, San Mateo and Foster City by supporting the unique health and wellness priorities of our vibrant Peninsula communities, and safeguarding access to health care services, today and in the future. PHCD fulfills its commitment to the community through oversight of District assets and infrastructure, planning for future health care needs, and investing taxpayer dollars in local health-focused organizations and programs. To learn more about PHCD, visit www.peninsulahealthcaredistrict.org.

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