



# MILLBRAE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

*Proudly Serving the Millbrae Community since 1996*

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## *News from the Foundation*

MCF recognizes that a strong community builds spirit, commitment and pride. Donations to MCF have provided financial support for local programs that enrich the lives of Millbrae citizens and that guarantee our continued quality of life. Thank you for making Millbrae the best place to live! Below is a partial list of program recipients who received grants of \$500 - \$3000 from MCF.

### **2007 MILLBRAE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANT RECIPIENTS:**

#### **Millbrae Train Museum**

The Millbrae Train Museum recently added to their exhibits a 1941 Pullman sleeping car named "Civic Center" from the premium streamliner "City of San Francisco". Caltrain, who owns the property that the museum sits on, required the installation of a fence around the car. MCF is proud to have provided funding for the fence, which was installed by volunteer labor. Come out to see the "Civic Center" - the Train Museum is open every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



#### **Mills High School Tennis Courts**

The Mills Viking Parent Group led the effort to restore the Mills High School tennis courts. The courts needed refurbishment, including root removal, crack repair, resurfacing, fence repair, and a new windscreen and bleachers. MCF funds supported the restoration for the use of high school students and community members. Get out your racket and call a friend!

#### **Mills High School Dragon Team**

The Mills Dragon Team was formed 12 years ago and is a centerpiece of Millbrae's Lunar New Year celebration as well as San Francisco's Chinese New Year Parade. A grant from MCF provided funds for upkeep and repair of the Dragon.

The Dragon Team aims to provide a greater understanding of the Chinese Lunar New Year celebration and increase community awareness of the multicultural aspects of Millbrae. You can watch the Dragon Team perform on YouTube.

#### **Josephine Waugh Soroptomist Park**

This park commemorates Josephine Waugh, Millbrae's first woman mayor, who was responsible for promoting and obtaining legislation to have Caltrans un-adopt the location of highway 280 through this park site. The Spur Property was donated to the city of Millbrae for park purposes. The Soroptomists International of Millbrae - San Bruno headed a fund raising effort to revitalize Josephine Waugh Park as part of its' 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. MCF provided funding for construction supplies. The Soroptomists are a community service organization whose mission is to improve the lives of women and girls both locally and internationally.



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## **Police Department Canine Program**

The Millbrae Police Department (MPD) purchased a working police dog in October 2007 with assistance from a MCF grant. MPD's canine program is an important means of building trust and relationships with youth, and in reaching out to schools. Dogs assist in drug awareness and education programs, career day events, and tracking for suspects in response to burglaries.

## **Millbrae Volunteers in Policing Program**

MCF provided funding for new polo shirts to identify the 25 volunteers, age 18 to 89, which support MPD. These volunteers assist police personnel with a variety of duties including administrative tasks like copying and filing, and vacation house checks and traffic control. Their efforts enable our police force to focus more on prevention and enforcement duties.

## *Neighbor to Neighbor*

Watch for our upcoming **MCF Holiday Star Program**— show your spirit by purchasing a holiday star to be hung on City Hall's Holiday Tree. Letters will be sent to your home in November. Join civic leaders and your neighbors for caroling and a small town style celebration at 5 p.m. on December 5, 2008.

*In the future, we will be moving to electronic newsletters to reduce costs. To continue receiving Millbrae Community Foundation newsletters, please send a request to [info@millbraefoundation.org](mailto:info@millbraefoundation.org).*

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