# MILLBRAE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION



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# Your contribution to the Millbrae Community Foundation will support projects and programs throughout the community

Over the past 15 years, the Millbrae Community Foundation has awarded financial grants to support many projects and programs that provide valuable amenities and benefits to Millbrae residents. Here are some of the success stories that your donations have helped bring to life:

# **Millbrae Community Youth Center**

The Millbrae Lions Club, Millbrae School District, City of Millbrae, and members of the community continue to pursue a cooperative project to renovate the Millbrae Scout House adjacent to Taylor School and transform it into a community center to meet the needs of local youth. The Millbrae Community Foundation, a qualified 501c(3) charitable organization, has established a Designated Fund to receive financial contributions for this special project.



The renovation project is nearing completion. We are within \$50,000 of our goal. The largest remaining expenses are for a new roof and seismic upgrades. On April 2nd and 3rd, the Lions Club installed new doors and windows in the building. These improvements were made possible through monies raised at the Millbrae Rotary Club's First Annual Oktoberfest as well as other individual in-kind and cash donations. For more information, please see our website at www.mcyc.net or contact Denis Fama at dennyduz@aol.com. We still need your financial support to complete the project! Won't you please consider making a donation today by check or online through the Millbrae Community Foundation?

# Neighbors help neighbors rebuild

Millbrae With financial support from the Community Foundation and many other local organizations and individuals, Rebuilding Together Peninsula (RTP) volunteers rebuilt a Millbrae family's home that was devastated by fire and theft. Although the family lacked the means to rebuild their home on their own, RTP helped pull together the resources to make it possible for the family to eventually return to a home that is almost completely new on the interior, with a fresh redesign that provides more space for the family and a safer way for the owner to get around in her walker.



After the family moved back into their home in March 2011, they thanked the community by saying, "It is great to have our family back home somewhere we can all be together. My mom can hardly believe she is back. She's a new woman after one night in her home with a new and positive outlook for tomorrow. When I look at her, I know that she is thinking, 'I'm back in my home... this is my home' and I see her smile, thinking how Millbrae makes her feel good and safe and complete." Your contribution to the Millbrae Community Foundation can help other community members in their time of need.

As we approach the Mother's and Father's Day holidays, let's remember to honor our parents with a special donation to the Millbrae Community Foundation!!

#### A testimonial from St. Dunstan School Principal Dr. Bruce Colville:



Due in part to the generous donation from the **Millbrae Community Foundation**, **St. Dunstan School** was able to hire crossing guard Frank Obando for the 2011-12 school year. Frank's morning shift is on Broadway Avenue, and his afternoon shift is on Magnolia Avenue. Since both are very busy streets, it is critical that we have a competent crossing guard. Mr. Obando fits the bill -- he is conscientious and skilled in his work, having trained with All City Management Services, the firm that trains Millbrae School District crossing guards. Frank knows our children and their families, often speaking with them in their native language. As we are a very diverse school community, it is important that trust and good communication mark the work of our staff. Frank is well liked, and I consult with him on a regular basis as we monitor the safety of our families crossing the very busy streets by our school. On behalf of our school community, we are most grateful for the support of the **Millbrae Community Foundation**!

### Millbrae Dog Park seeking financial support from the community

Millbrae is the only Peninsula city that does not have a dog park, and due to the city's budget challenges it is unlikely that the city can provide one without private financial support. Because dog parks are typically the most used park in any urban setting, the **Friends of Millbrae Dog Park (FMDP)** was created to provide a dog park for Millbrae. FMDP is an all-volunteer committee incorporated in June 2011. In December 2011, the **Millbrae Community Foundation (MCF)** and FMDP entered into an agreement wherein



MCF uses its 501(c)(3) status to accept donations on behalf of FMDP. MCF has been a valuable partner in helping FMDP develop into a successful nonprofit. It will be an uphill battle, but with continued community involvement, FMDP will succeed in its mission to create a beautiful park where the canine members of our community can exercise and socialize. Please visit <u>www.millbraedogpark.com</u> to find out more about the proposed dog park and to make a financial contribution to FMDP.

#### **Holiday Stars: A Millbrae Holiday Tradition**



Each winter, Millbrae residents joyfully submit contributions to the **Millbrae Community Foundation** to purchase a Holiday Star for the community Holiday tree to remember or honor a loved one. The proceeds from the sale of Holiday Stars, which are personally handcrafted to-order, help fund the Foundation's community grants. Please plan to sustain the Foundation's good work in support of local projects and programs by purchasing a Holiday Star again this year!



#### **Mission Statement of the Millbrae Community Foundation:**

The Millbrae Community Foundation enhances the lives of all who live in our community. We are a volunteer 501(c)3 nonprofit that raises money for and gives grants to projects that meet the needs of our residents. We work collaboratively with organizations that serve Millbrae and its people.

MCF Officers: Janet Fogarty, Dan Lawson, Catherine Quigg, Debbie Van Wart Board of Directors: Beth Anderson, Paul Bourque, Calvin Chin, Scott Fong, Walter Gladwin, Pam Herriott, Joe Teresi; Emeritus Directors: Terry Bauer, Marc Hershman, Kay Runkle, David Slosberg Trustees: George Corey, Alma Massolo, Joan Ryan, Mary Vella Treseler

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