



# MILLBRAE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

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## Spring 2021 Newsletter

Over the last 25 years, the Millbrae Community Foundation (MCF) has awarded financial grants for projects and to organizations that provide valuable benefits to Millbrae residents. This newsletter highlights recent grants and other ways that MCF helps our community. We send a hearty “thank you” to all who have supported MCF in the past. We can’t do this without you!

### Millbrae Recreation Center FF&E Fundraising Campaign

Our community has made great strides toward rebuilding the Recreation Center. The ceremonial groundbreaking was last fall. Initial work began not long after. And if you go by the site now, you will see that the foundation has been poured and vertical construction is well underway! While most of the funding has been secured, there is still a need for a community fundraising effort. The Millbrae Community Foundation has stepped up to fill a critical need in the process. To facilitate donations toward the project, MCF has set up a **designated fund**. Community members, companies, and other interested in helping can make a donation to the fund.



The community fundraising effort is focused on FF&E—furniture, fixtures, and equipment. These items are the necessary “icing on the cake” to make the Recreation Center a functioning place for our residents to recreate, learn, exercise, and gather. The goal is to raise \$1.75 million to cover the cost of these items and systems. MCF is confident that when we all pull together—our civic organizations, service clubs, members of the business community, and residents—that we will achieve this goal! If you are ready to help, you can make donation now on our



website. [millbraefoundation.org](http://millbraefoundation.org). Click on “donate” and be sure to add a note that you want your donation to be used for the Recreation Center.

The Millbrae Community Foundation is proud to be a vital partner in the rebuilding of the Recreation Center. We want to thank those who have donated in the past and hope you will join us in supporting the final push!

### Skate Park Mural

Our community Skate Park on Millbrae Avenue has seen improvements of late and another big one is coming. The Millbrae Cultural Arts Committee and the City Council recently approved the addition of a mural. In approving a grant at our last meeting, MCF joined other civic groups and residents helping to bring the project to fruition. This is a conceptual rendering; the artist, renown Bay Area muralist, Brian Barnecko, is working with the city to refine the final design.





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## LifeMoves Children's Education Program



Homelessness touches families in all communities, including Millbrae. LifeMoves' Children's Education Program aims to facilitate regular school attendance, bridge achievement gaps, and empower homeless children to fully participate in school activities. Services offered under this Program include academic assistance through one-on-one and small group tutoring (including online tutoring during the COVID-19 restrictions); engaging STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and math)

workshops and field trips; summer camp (online and in social distancing mode); college and career readiness support for high school students; and special needs assessment and support. MCF helped fill this need by making a grant to support this program.

## Ongoing Efforts & Activities

Each year MCF raises funds for our grant making program and encourages our community to come together with our Holiday Stars and participating in the Annual Tree Holiday Lighting Ceremony. This past winter there were more Holiday Stars than ever before on the tree. And Millbrae adapted and held the Tree Lighting virtually. Although we were not able to all gather around the tree, we still had the chance to enjoy the singing of holiday tunes, hear greetings from each other, catch a glimpse of Santa, and countdown to the big event — the tree lighting!

In another ongoing effort, MCF distributed **Holiday Gift Cards** to several deserving Millbrae families. And finally each year we continue to offer **scholarships** to Mills and Capuchino High School seniors headed to college or trade school.



*This spring, we hope you will consider making a donation to the Millbrae Community Foundation so that we can continue to help our community today and in the future.*



If you would like to support the Millbrae Community Foundation, please return your donation in the enclosed envelope or donate online at:

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