

Hello Sisters Pickleball Club Members!

If you've driven past the new Community Center lately, you've likely seen a field transformed—earth moved, equipment in action, and visible progress every day. What was once under-used space is quickly becoming the home of **eight beautiful new pickleball courts**. Our vision is becoming reality, and soon our community will have a vibrant new place to play, connect, and grow the game we love!

In 2024, Pineview Tennis Club sold its court property and generously donated the proceeds to Sisters Park & Recreation District (SPRD) to fund construction of new courts. This remarkable gift covers core construction costs for eight courts. However, due to rising expenses—driven largely by inflation and tariffs on materials like steel—funding for additional amenities to enhance the playing experience is limited.

To help create a top-tier pickleball facility for the Sisters community, Sisters Pickleball Club is working in partnership with SPRD and the SOAR Foundation to raise funds for several key enhancements. These additions will improve both player and visitor experiences at the new courts:

- 1. **Sunshade screening** for the alleyway between courts to create shade and reduce glare;
- 2. An equipment/storage shed for housing club supplies, blowers, and court maintenance tools;
- 3. A **pickleball machine** to support training sessions and instructional clinics;
- 4. Outdoor tables & benches to provide comfortable seating/gathering areas adjacent to the courts;
- 5. **Paddle racks** installed at each court to assist with game management; and
- 6. **Facility signage** to support wayfinding and effective court management.

The total fundraising goal for these amenities is \$16,000 and we need your help to reach this goal. While our Club is a 501(c)(7) tax-exempt organization, we cannot provide tax-deductible receipts for donations. To make it easier for donors, we are partnering with the **SOAR Foundation**, a 501(c)(3) organization that can issue tax-deductible receipts and is also able to accept Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs) from retirement accounts.

If you would like to contribute, please complete the attached donation form and submit it along with your gift directly to SOAR. We're grateful to SOAR for assisting with this fundraising effort in support of enhanced amenities at the new pickleball courts.

We're excited to share that one generous Club member has already committed a \$2,500 matching gift to kick off our fundraising campaign. We're incredibly grateful for this contribution; with your support, we're hoping we can achieve that match within the first week!

Please submit the attached donation form with your gift so that the funds are placed in the correct account.

Thank you for your generosity and support!

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