San Bruno, California, July 1, 2022 – Today, the San Bruno Community Foundation launched the seventh annual cycle of its Community Grants Fund, which allows local community organizations to apply for grants of up to $25,000 for programs that benefit the San Bruno community. Partnering with YouTube and Google.org, Google’s philanthropy, the Foundation plans to award grants totaling $300,000 at the end of 2022.

As they have in past years, YouTube and Google.org are generously providing $100,000 to the Community Grants Fund. The Foundation is funding the other $200,000 in Community Grants with investment proceeds from a portion of the restitution funds that resulted from the City of San Bruno’s settlement with Pacific Gas & Electric Company following the devastating 2010 gas pipeline explosion in San Bruno’s Crestmoor neighborhood.

“Through the Community Grants Fund, we are thrilled to offer local organizations providing critical programs and services in San Bruno – groups that serve our youth, our seniors, our
diverse ethnic communities, those struggling economically, and the broader San Bruno community – the opportunity to apply for a Community Grant this year,” said Foundation President Malissa Netane-Jones. “With YouTube and Google.org’s support, for which we are extremely grateful, we are able to invest in many community organizations doing important and meaningful work throughout the San Bruno community.”

“The impact of the Community Grants Fund – through its investment in social service, educational, cultural, and other community programs – is felt throughout San Bruno, YouTube’s home,” said Drew Sherwood, YouTube’s Real Estate Director. “YouTube and Google.org are thrilled to partner once again with the San Bruno Community Foundation to support community groups providing innovative and much-needed services to the local community.”

The Community Grants Fund provides grant funding to programs that benefit the San Bruno community. Grant awards will be based on a variety of factors, including the benefits of the proposed program to the San Bruno community, the proposal’s alignment with one of the Foundation’s focus areas, program methodology and budget, requested grant amount in relation to the anticipated community benefit, and the organization’s track record, stability, and financial health.

Eligible organizations can apply for a grant through the Foundation’s online application, which is posted at www.sbcf.org. For the 2022-2023 grant cycle, the application deadline is Wednesday, September 21, 2022. The Foundation intends to announce in December 2022 this year’s Community Grant awards, which will be used to fund activities taking place in 2023. Detailed program guidelines for the Community Grants Fund, including eligibility requirements and the application process, as well as descriptions of past grantees, can be found on the Foundation’s website at www.sbcf.org.

In addition, the Foundation will host two optional Grant Workshops via Zoom for organizations interested in learning more about the Community Grants Fund and the application process. The workshops will be held via Zoom on Tuesday, August 16, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., and Thursday,
September 8, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. Potential applications may register for the workshops at www.sbcf.org.

Programs funded by Community Grants in past years include home delivery of nutritious meals to seniors, shelter and supportive services to homeless families, support services for foster youth, dental care for low-income children, culturally based mental and behavioral health services to primarily Spanish-speaking San Bruno residents in substance abuse recovery, CPR training at Parkside Intermediate School, a community food pantry program to distribute groceries to San Bruno families experiencing hunger, and art and music programming for elementary school students.

**About the San Bruno Community Foundation**
The San Bruno Community Foundation is the nonprofit organization created by the City of San Bruno to administer the $70 million in restitution funds received from PG&E after the devastating 2010 gas pipeline explosion in San Bruno’s Crestmoor neighborhood. The Foundation serves the San Bruno community by investing in projects, programs, services, and facilities that have significant and lasting benefits. Through making grants, leveraging partnerships, and taking advantage of other resources, SBCF assists and enables the community to maximize shared investments and realize their subsequent enhancements and benefits. For more information, visit www.sbcf.org.

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