

Community Recovery Fund Awards Grant to Maria Carrillo High School

\$7,000 grant will help athletics department replace lost Track and Field equipment

UKIAH, Calif. (December 22, 2017) – The Mendocino Family of Companies (Mendocino Forest Products Company, Mendocino Redwood Company, Humboldt Redwood Company, and Allweather Wood) today announced it has awarded another grant from the **Redwood Valley and Santa Rosa Community Recovery Fund**, to Maria Carrillo High School.

This is the second grant awarded from the Fund, established following the Northern California Firestorm that swept through the area in October. The \$7,000 grant will be used to replace Track and Field uniforms and equipment lost in the fires. The school, located in Santa Rosa, receives much of its athletic program support through Puma Athletic Boosters.

“From students to teachers to staff, many of our school families were directly affected by the fires,” said Greg Fogg, head track and field coach at Maria Carrillo High School. “Our athletic program was hit especially hard, as both of our Track and Field coaches lost their homes.”

Most of the Track and Field uniforms and equipment were stored at the coaches’ homes, as there was not enough secure storage on campus for the items. The estimated loss runs just over \$15,000.

“Replacing this equipment is a small but important step in recovery for the Maria Carrillo student families,” said Bob Mertz, CEO. “Reflecting pride in their community identity, and representing Santa Rosa with distinction, is unified through a team of uniquely talented athletes sharing the same colors and mascot. It’s another way to feel like every day life is returning.”

The **Redwood Valley and Santa Rosa Community Recovery Fund** was established by the Mendocino Family of Companies through the Community Foundation of Mendocino County to support community restoration for youth, elderly, educators, emergency workers, and animals affected by the devastating Nuns, Redwood Valley, and Tubbs fires. Every dollar contributed to the Fund **will be matched up to \$400,000** by the Mendocino Family of Companies and distributed in Mendocino and Sonoma Counties.

Funds will be disbursed by the Community Foundation of Mendocino County via an independent committee, until the fund is exhausted. To ensure each donation directly benefits the community, the Mendocino Family of Companies will also pay all related administrative and promotional costs to manage the fund.

To donate to the Redwood Valley and Santa Rosa Community Recovery Fund, please visit <http://bit.ly/forward-together>.

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