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## **Samaritan House RECEIVES \$240K GRANT FROM THE PENINSULA HEALTH CARE DISTRICT**

**San Mateo CA- February 2, 2016:** Samaritan House is pleased to announce that we have \$240K grant from the Peninsula Health Care District's (PHCD) Community Grants Program. This grant will support Samaritan House's mission to keep our community healthy through our services at our San Mateo Free Clinic.

"The Peninsula Health Care District is proud to support local organizations that have made an impact on our community," said District Board Chair Lawrence W. Cappel, Ph.D. "Our Community Grants Program supports health-focused organizations that bring much needed services to District residents. We are honored to support their important work, which helps us carry out our mission."

At Samaritan House, We mobilize the resources of our community to help those among us who are in need. Our dedicated professional staff and volunteers work together to provide food, access to shelter, Healthcare, and a broad range of supportive services. We preserve dignity, promote self-sufficiency, and provide hope.

At the eighth annual Community Partners Awards Ceremony on January 28, 2016, PHCD will awarded the 2016 grants to local organizations. In addition, each organization had an opportunity to recognize a key volunteer who helps support their mission and makes a significant contribution to the community. Samaritan House has chosen to recognize Jerry Saliman, M.D., for his commitment and dedication to Samaritan House and to our mission.

Every year, PHCD awards grants to local organizations that address local health priorities and help carry out the vision of the District: that all residents enjoy optimal health through education, prevention, and access to needed health care services. Community Grant recipients are chosen based on a review of local health care needs and the evolving priorities of District communities. In 2016, Samaritan House is one of 29 local organizations to receive a grant from PHCD, a community investment of \$1.9 million. Since 1996, PHCD has invested more than \$30 million to local organizations through the Community Grants Program.

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### **About Samaritan House:**

Since 1974, Samaritan House has become San Mateo's leading non-profit that brings a new level of hope, dignity, and empowerment to people living in poverty as they fulfill immediate needs and guide people toward self-reliance. Recognized as a role model in the community, Samaritan House is the

largest food distribution agency in the county. Other free services include shelter and housing assistance; medical and dental clinics; clothes for children; personalized case management and much more. The entire community benefits from Samaritan House's steadfast mission to mobilize all available resources and work hand in hand to break the cycle of poverty. For more information, visit [www.samaritanhousesanmateo.org](http://www.samaritanhousesanmateo.org).

**About the Peninsula Health Care District:**

Created by state legislation and launched by local voter approval in 1947, the Peninsula Health Care District serves the communities of San Bruno, Millbrae, Burlingame, Hillsborough, San Mateo and Foster City by responding to local priorities and allocating resources to programs and services that address these needs. For more information, visit [www.peninsulahealthcaredistrict.org](http://www.peninsulahealthcaredistrict.org).