

REALTORS® Giving Back to the Community: The San Mateo County Association of REALTORS® Foundation Charitable Events

The San Mateo County Association of REALTORS® (SAMCAR) will host its Annual Charity Golf Tournament on Monday, July 21, 2008. The tournament will be held at the Peninsula Golf & Country Club, followed by dinner and a live auction. A number of local legislators and community leaders will participate in the day's events.

The proceeds from this annual event benefit the San Mateo County Association of REALTORS® Foundation, an autonomous 501(c)3 Public Benefit Corporation. The SAMCAR Foundation is committed to the welfare and prosperity of San Mateo County, and through its contributions and member involvement, strives to help create livable, productive and enriched communities. All funds raised are donated throughout the County to organizations and programs focused upon these same goals, with particular emphasis upon those that work to provide more affordable housing opportunities.

Since 2002, the Tournament has raised approximately \$160,000. Previous recipients of the tournament proceeds include the San Mateo County Housing Endowment and Regional Trust (HEART), HIP Housing, Habitat for Humanity, and the Shelter Network.

Philip Tedesco, SAMCAR's Chief Executive Officer notes, "This is a wonderful opportunity for SAMCAR REALTORS® to get out of the office, network with each other, and most importantly, enjoy their day knowing that proceeds from their activities will directly benefit the San Mateo County community."

SAMCAR also supports US troops

In addition to the charitable contributions made to the community in San Mateo County, SAMCAR is also pleased to announce its 3rd Annual Support the Troops program. Over the past three months, one of SAMCAR's main charitable efforts, spearheaded by its Affiliate members, has been to raise funds through direct donations from the membership.

All funds raised are being used to purchase goods and supplies that will be sent to fellow citizens who are voluntarily putting themselves in harms way throughout the world. To date, close to \$5,000 has been raised and the care packages are being prepared to ship to various military bases abroad.

To learn more about the San Mateo County Association of REALTORS® Foundation, please feel free to contact SAMCAR at 650.696.8200, or visit our web site at www.samcar.org.

The San Mateo County Association of REALTORS® (SAMCAR) is a professional trade organization representing over 3,400 REALTORS® and Affiliate members engaged in the real estate business on the Peninsula. SAMCAR promotes the highest ethical standards of real estate practice, serves as an advocate

for homeownership and homeowners, and represents the interests of property owners in San Mateo County. For more information, please contact Michon Coleman, Director of Public Affairs at 650.696.8200.