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**Bay Area Foundation Recognizes Local JCCs with \$5 Million  
in Capital Grants**

*Matching grants from Taube Philanthropies will support capital campaigns for five JCCs*

SAN FRANCISCO – Taube Philanthropies today announced a cluster of grants to support the capital campaigns of Bay Area Jewish community centers.

Matching grants of between \$500,000 and \$1.5 million each will be distributed to five JCCs. Each JCC will receive 25 percent of the grant up front, and then be challenged to raise matching funds before receiving the balance.

“JCCs play an integral role in nurturing and building community, and through programs that explore Judaism and Jewish life they embody inclusivity and Jewish peoplehood,” said Tad Taube, Chairman of Taube Philanthropies. “We are pleased to continue more than a decade of support for JCCs in the Bay Area, which provide a central gathering place for the Jewish community, as well as a place of welcome to all.”

Since 2009, Taube Philanthropies has supported Jewish peoplehood initiatives at Bay Area JCCs that celebrate the variety of ways that individuals identify as Jews. This year’s grants were announced just before Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, simultaneously as the JCC Movement celebrates its centennial anniversary.

Shana Penn, Executive Director of Taube Philanthropies, added, “The grants are structured as matching grants to encourage our JCCs to showcase their varied offerings, and inspire other donors to join in their support. JCCs play a unique role in enriching Jewish life and offering programs to promote knowledge and understanding that is a core value of Jewish life. “

A description of each grant follows.

***JCC San Francisco - \$1 million grant***

To create a new multipurpose performance space for arts and cultural activities

***Osher Marin JCC (San Rafael) - \$1 million grant***

To support a capital campaign for an expanded aquatics center

***JCC of the East Bay (Berkeley/Oakland) - \$1 million grant***

To support the JCC’s regional expansion plan, which includes a creative arts center at a new flagship site in Oakland

***Oshman Family JCC (Palo Alto) - \$1 million grant and \$500,000 grant***

To support a capital campaign and provide funding for the creation of a town hall tower and mural

***Peninsula JCC (Foster City) - \$500,000 grant***

To support a new capital expansion on the North Peninsula Jewish Campus

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**Taube Philanthropies** was established in 1981 by its founder and chairman, Tad Taube. Based in the San Francisco Bay Area, the foundation makes philanthropic investments in civic, and cultural life in both the Jewish and non-Jewish communities in the Bay Area, Poland, and Israel. Its grant making programs support institution-building, heritage preservation, arts, culture, and education, and promotion of Jewish Peoplehood. Taube Philanthropies is committed to collaborative grant making for greater charitable impact and actively partners with numerous philanthropic organizations and individuals.

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