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## SHARKS FOUNDATION, TAUBE PHILANTHROPIES, KORET FOUNDATION AND SWENSON TO DONATE \$237,600 AND COUNTING DURING THIRD SEASON OF GOALS FOR KIDS PROGRAM

**SAN JOSE, Calif.** – The Sharks Foundation announced that it will donate more than \$237,600, along with program partners, Taube Philanthropies, the Koret Foundation and SWENSON, during the third season of the *Goals for Kids* Program. The announcement was made at a check presentation during yesterday's San Jose Sharks game at SAP Center.

"We are proud to stand alongside Taube Philanthropies, the Koret Foundation and SWENSON to support high-performing local non-profits through the third season of Goals for Kids," said Heather Hooper, Sharks Foundation Manager.

For each goal scored by the Sharks, *Goals for Kids* will make a \$1,100 donation, which will be evenly distributed amongst the beneficiaries at the end of the season. The six beneficiaries include: the American Heart Association – Silicon Valley Division, Child Advocates of Silicon Valley, JW House, Make-A-Wish® Greater Bay Area, Ronald McDonald House at Stanford and Second Harvest Food Bank of Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties.

"As we celebrate another successful season for the Sharks, I am proud that the underserved youth in our communities are also winning, through the funds raised by Goals for Kids," said Tad Taube, founder and chairman of Taube Philanthropies. "We look forward to continue cheering on the Sharks through the playoffs and to raising even more money next year."

"Koret is thrilled to partner with the Sharks Foundation, Taube Philanthropies and SWENSON to raise critically needed funds to support the next generation of leaders in our local community," said Jeff Farber, Chief Executive Officer of the Koret Foundation. "This season has been an exciting season to support Goals for Kids, and we're pleased to recognize the outstanding beneficiaries who have a tremendous impact in the lives of Bay Area youth."

New this season, SWENSON joined Taube Philanthropies and the Koret Foundation, as a funding partner for the program.

"Philanthropy at SWENSON is all about community and building robust opportunities for kids," said Case Swenson, President, SWENSON. "That's why we're excited to partner with the Sharks Foundation in assisting local youth through education and character development. Goals for Kids is exactly the type of program that motivates people to engage in this meaningful effort."

The 2016-17 Goals for Kids program will continue during the Sharks two remaining regular season games and throughout the 2017 Stanley Cup Playoff run.

Partnership opportunities for the 2017-18 season are available at the \$50,000, \$25,000 and \$15,000 levels and interested parties are encouraged to visit [www.sjsharks.com/goalsforkids](http://www.sjsharks.com/goalsforkids) to find out more.

### **About the Sharks Foundation**

The Sharks Foundation is dedicated to enhancing the lives of youth and families in the community with an emphasis in the areas of education, health and safety, and character development. The Sharks Foundation supplies emergency aid when appropriate, executes unique and relevant programming, supports the advancement of youth hockey and provides financial support and resources to organizations that enrich the lives of those in need. Since its inception in 1994, the Foundation has given nearly **\$10.1 million** to hundreds of high-performing non-profit organizations serving youth and families in the Bay Area. For more information visit [www.sharksfoundation.org](http://www.sharksfoundation.org).

### **About Taube Philanthropies**

For more than 30 years, Taube Philanthropies has been a leader in supporting diverse educational, cultural and community organizations in the San Francisco Bay Area, Poland and Israel. Founded by Tad Taube in 1981, the organization works to ensure that free citizens have the full opportunity for advancement of their goals and dreams. Taube Philanthropies has contributed to many organizations, including the Commonwealth Club of California, the Bay Lights, the San Francisco Opera, Touchdown for Kids, Hoops for Kids, Goals for Kids, the Exploratorium, Stanford University, University of San Francisco, Notre Dame de Namur University, the Magnes Collection of Jewish Art and Life at UC Berkeley, the Contemporary Jewish Museum, and all six Bay Area Jewish Community Centers. For more information, visit [www.taubephilanthropies.org](http://www.taubephilanthropies.org).

### **About the Koret Foundation**

Based in San Francisco, the Koret Foundation supports civic, cultural, and educational organizations that promote a vibrant and distinctive Bay Area. Koret focuses its giving in two major areas: strengthening Bay Area anchor institutions and fostering Jewish connection and identity. Since its founding in 1979, Koret has invested \$500 million to contribute to a higher quality of civic and Jewish community life. For more information visit <http://www.koretfoundation.org/>.

### **About SWENSON**

For one hundred years, the Swenson family has been a dynamic partner in building Northern California. Four generations of expertise, along with a proven Design-Develop-Build platform, deliver unparalleled level of creative design, quality developments and efficient construction practices. Throughout the Golden State, the wide range of construction and development services by SWENSON is backed by decades of resources, referrals and sound business practices that have made the storied company a respected leader in the community. For more on the legacy development company, visit [swenson.com](http://swenson.com).

Below is a summary of each *Goals for Kids* beneficiary selected by the Sharks Foundation for the 2016-17 season:

### **2016-17 Goals for Kids Beneficiaries**

**Organization:** American Heart Association – Silicon Valley Division

**Area Served:** Santa Clara County and Peninsula

**Impact:** 198,214 youth per year

**Focus Area:** Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke, Health Education, Prevention

The mission of the American Heart Association is to build healthier lives, free of cardiovascular diseases and stroke. For more information visit

[http://www.heart.org/HEARTORG/Affiliate/SanJose/California/Home\\_UCM\\_WSA024\\_AffiliatePage.jsp](http://www.heart.org/HEARTORG/Affiliate/SanJose/California/Home_UCM_WSA024_AffiliatePage.jsp).

**Organization:** Child Advocates of Silicon Valley

**Area Served:** Santa Clara County

**Impact:** 783 foster youth ages 0-21 per year

**Focus Area:** Children in Foster Care

Child Advocates of Silicon Valley's mission is to provide stability and hope to children who have experienced abuse and neglect by being a powerful voice in their lives. Their vision is that every child has a positive view of the future and the opportunity to become a productive, healthy adult. Their purpose is to match foster children with Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs) who ensure that children's needs are met and their voices heard while navigating the dependency system. For more information, visit [www.ByMyAdvocate.org](http://www.ByMyAdvocate.org).

**Organization:** JW House

**Area Served:** Overnight accommodations - State of California and beyond; Day Use accommodations - Santa Clara County

**Impact:** 564 youth and 2904 adults per year

**Focus Area:** Health

JW House keeps families together during medical crises by offering a welcoming home close to area hospitals and providing a caring and compassionate environment that inspires hope. For more information, visit [www.jwhouse.org](http://www.jwhouse.org).

**Organization:** Make-A-Wish® Greater Bay Area

**Area Served:** The chapter covers 17 Bay Area counties: Alameda, Contra Costa, Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Mendocino, Napa, Marin, Monterey, San Benito, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, Santa Clara, Siskiyou, Solano and Sonoma.

**Impact:** 378 wishes granted to children between the ages of 2<sup>1/2</sup> & 18 in fiscal year 2016.

**Focus Area:** Children with life threatening medical conditions

Make-A-Wish® Greater Bay Area grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy. Their vision is to make every eligible child's wish come true. For more information, visit [sf.wish.org](http://sf.wish.org).

**Organization:** Ronald McDonald House at Stanford

**Area Served:** California

**Impact:** 10,100 people per year including 7,700 youth

**Focus Area:** Access to quality health care for families with critically ill children.

Ronald McDonald House at Stanford creates a home-away-from-home and supportive community for families of children with life-threatening illnesses receiving specialized treatment at local hospitals. For more information, visit [www.rmhstanford.org](http://www.rmhstanford.org).

**Organization:** Second Harvest Food Bank of Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties

**Area Served:** Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties

**Impact:** More than 250,000 every month including nearly 88,000 kids each month

**Focus Area:** Hunger

The mission of Second Harvest Food Bank is to lead Silicon Valley to ensure that anyone who needs a healthy meal can get one. The Food Bank is one of the largest in the nation and serves nearly one in ten people in Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties. Their vision is a hunger free community. For more information, visit [www.shfb.org](http://www.shfb.org).

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