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SOBERANES FIRE FUND CREATED For More Information or to Make aDonation: www.cfmco.org/soberanesfire

Monterey County, California — The Community Foundation for Monterey County (CFMC) has created **The Soberanes Fire Fund** to assist communities affected by the Soberanes fire which began July 22, 2016. Donations to this fund will provide support recovery efforts in the aftermath of the fire. Grants from the fund will be distributed to nonprofit agencies assisting individuals and organizations to meet needs as they arise.

The CFMC has waived all administrative fees so 100% of donations will be used for grantmaking. The funds will be used to make grants to agencies providing emergency assistance, short term housing/rental assistance, and other immediate relief, health and wellness, and equipment, among other needs in addition to long-term recovery support. The fund will provide a trusted repository for philanthropic assets to be directed specifically for this purpose.

Those wishing to contribute to the fund can make an online donation at www.cfmco.org/soberanesfire, mail a check to the Community Foundation for Monterey County, 2354 Garden Road, Monterey, CA, 93940 "Attention: Soberanes Fire Fund," or call 831.375.9712 Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 5:00 PM.

About the Community Foundation for Monterey County

The mission of the CFMC is to inspire philanthropy and be a catalyst for strengthening communities throughout Monterey County. Thanks to generous community members who have created charitable funds in their lifetimes or through their estates, the CFMC has granted more than \$137 million to nonprofits working towards healthy, safe, vibrant communities. For more information visit www.cfmco.org, call 831.375.9712 or stay connected at www.facebook.com/cfmco or www.twitter.com/cfmco.

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