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Mayors Cup Golf Tournament to Help Build First-of-its-Kind Dental Clinic in California

Proceeds from charity event will expand integrated dental-behavioral care services to 10,000 low-income residents

OAKLAND, Calif.— Asian Health Services (AHS) will be hosting its 6th Annual Mayors Cup Charity Golf Tournament on July 11, 2016 at the Sequoyah Country Club in Oakland. The tournament will support a \$3 million capital campaign to help build a state-of-the-art, 4,000-square-foot dental clinic – the first community dental clinic in California to integrate mental health screening and referrals; and four dental specialties, including endodontics, periodontics, oral surgery and pediatric dentistry.

The new clinic, located at the corner of 11th and Jackson Street with 71 new affordable housing units, will expand services to nearly 10,000 additional low-income residents in Oakland and Alameda County, and drastically reduce the current 12-month waiting list.

“AHS’ mission to provide quality healthcare to the most vulnerable in our community is deeply inspiring. It’s why I’m honored to serve as the six-time co-chair of this prestigious event,” said Yui Hay Lee, the tournament co-chair.

Oakland Mayor Libby Schaaf is scheduled to participate along with other civic and business leaders, including CC Yin, honorary chair of this year’s golf tournament. According to Charles Chang, founder of the Freshwind Foundation, “AHS is an essential resource for 27,000 patients in our community. I am delighted to be the presenting sponsor of this event, especially this year, because support of the event will help create a much-needed dental clinic for low-income residents in Oakland.”

Major donors to the tournament include the Freshwind Foundation, Wood Partners, Oakland Chinatown Lions Foundation, PG&E, Henry Schein Dental, THP Group and Whole Foods. “I have seen support for the tournament grow quickly over six years. Leaders in our community have been excited to join because they know that their sponsorships go directly towards expanding healthcare access in our community,” said Carl Chan, AHS board chair.

For additional information about the tournament, visit www.asianhealthservices.org/golf/

For additional information about the dental clinic and capital campaign, visit www.ahshealthysmiles.org

About Asian Health Services

Asian Health Services, founded in 1974, is a community health center that provides primary, dental and behavioral health services to underserved families of Oakland and surrounding communities in English and 12 different Asian languages (Cantonese, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Khmer, Korean, Tagalog, Mien, Lao, Mongolian, Karen, Karenni, and Burmese). We currently serve more than 27,000 patients with medical, dental and behavioral providers, patient navigators, on-site interpreters, health coaches, perinatal counseling and labor coaches. We also advocate and empower our patients and our community through advocacy, education and community programs. As a nationally recognized community health center model, AHS stands at the forefront of quality and innovation. For more information, go to:

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