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## **SIERRA MADRE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION** **ANNOUNCES GRANTS**

The Sierra Madre Community Foundation (SMCF) recently awarded the following grants to local Sierra Madre organizations:

- The Sierra Madre Public Library was awarded a grant to fund its “Walk This Way Story Adventure” in Memorial Park. The short tour highlights a new book each week and provides the community with an outdoor reading opportunity. While the initial target population was young families, many Sierra Madre seniors, including Kensington residents, make the story adventure part of their weekly schedule. The Foundation grant will fund the program through the end of July.
- The Sierra Madre Playhouse received a grant to support its return to live theater with “You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown.” The outdoor program will run in Memorial Park in July and August, with the grant used for lighting equipment.
- The Creative Arts Group’s ImaginArt program received a grant to fund its “Ceramic Witches/Warlocks” to support a discussion of the history, symbols, and community traditions of Halloween. The project for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students from Sierra Madre Elementary School uses clay tools and two colors of clay to enhance students’ engagement with the fundamentals of ceramics.

So far in 2021, the Sierra Madre Community Foundation has provided grants totaling \$5,900 to support local civic and community organizations.

“We’re pleased to support local organizations who have worked so hard during the pandemic to provide unique and engaging programs and services for our community,” said Frank Moore, Community Foundation chair. “Through the generous giving of local residents, the Foundation is proud to help our unique community rebound from a very difficult period.”

Sierra Madre Community Foundation is singularly devoted to Sierra Madre and solicits donations to support and enhance the community by making direct grants to civic and local organizations. In addition, the SMCF assists other Sierra Madre community groups in the collection and distribution of their funds that enables ongoing program support and continued operations.

To learn more and to donate visit [www.sierramadrefoundation.org](http://www.sierramadrefoundation.org).

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