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PENINSULA SEQUOIA HEALTHCARE DISTRICT AWARDS \$165,000 2-YEAR GRANT FOR PENINSULA VOLUNTEERS, INC.'s RIDE PVI

Menlo Park, CA – December 2024: Peninsula Volunteers, Inc. (PVI) is pleased to announce that it has received a \$165,000 grant from the Sequoia Healthcare District (SHD) spanning the 2024-2026 fiscal years. This grant is to further assist PVI's ability to support the independence and mobility of seniors in the community through RIDE PVI, its transportation services program. SHD's generous financial support allows PVI to provide an elevated level of customized service to seniors by employing staff who specialize in serving the unique and varied needs of seniors.

As more local seniors find challenges in getting to their essential destinations when they are no longer able to drive due to vision/physical impairment or encounter public transit obstacles, having transportation options for mobility, safety and peace of mind becomes even more critical. "This funding from the Sequoia Healthcare District enables our capacity to offer low-cost, on-demand transportation alternatives for vital medical appointments, grocery and other daily needs" said Kamilah Najieb-Wachob, PVI Program Manager. "Our deepest appreciation goes to Pamela Kurtzman, CEO, and the entire SHD board for their long-term support of the transportation program and recognizing PVI's significant role in providing key services in the community."

About Peninsula Volunteers, Inc. (PVI)

For over 75 years, Peninsula Volunteers, Inc., has demonstrated a profound legacy of caring for and **enabling seniors to age in place**, a commitment of providing high quality and nurturing programs so seniors are engaged, cared for, and respected as vital community members. PVI's five core programs are: Nutrition Services/Meals on Wheels/Got Groceries/Little House Café; Adult Day Services at Rosener House for those with Alzheimer's and other dementias; Quiescence, our customized solutions for family caregivers; our Senior Activity Center at Little House, The Roslyn G. Morris Activity Center; and RIDE PVI, our on-demand transportation services at Little House for daily access to where seniors want to go. PVI programs deliver over \$6 million in services to over 6,500 households and address the most pressing issues of aging adults by offering critical services to sustain their daily physical, nutritional, emotional, and mental health while achieving dignity and independence in their lives. www.1pvi.org

About the Sequoia Healthcare District

The Sequoia Healthcare District is committed to improving the health of District residents by enhancing access to care and promoting wellness through responsible stewardship of District taxpayer dollars. SHD Board of Directors approves Priority Funding Areas based on current and projected community health needs and variable funding resources. A Grants Review Committee consisting of local leaders knowledgeable in areas of community health read all applications and make recommendations for funding. Grantees make mid-year and end-of year reports detailing how they used funds to positively impact the health of District residents. For more information about Sequoia Healthcare District's work in the community, visit www.seqhd.org.