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Re: Emergency Medical Supplies and Equipment for North County

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Dear Dr. Wada, MD, MPH,

Doctors Without Walls – Santa Barbara Street Medicine, in partnership with the Orfalea Fund – Aware and Prepare initiative would like to gift a \$130,258 cache of emergency medical supplies and equipment to the County Public Health Department. The cache is made up of medical supplies and equipment to treat 50 patients for 10 days and mirrors the cache of medical supplies available in southern Santa Barbara County. The cache of medical supplies were purchased to enhance the medical and health response capacity in north county as part of a grant awarded to the Medical Reserve Corps program through a collaborative partnership between DWW-SBSM, Direct Relief International and the Orfalea Foundation.

The Medical Reserve Corps, now 135 members strong, is ready to respond to a local medical emergency as part of the County of Santa Barbara's emergency medical and health response efforts. Their role in an emergency may involve treating patients adversely affected by the event with the medical supplies in the North County cache if activated by the Medical Health Operational Area Coordinator in support of the County's medical and health response.

Thanks to the generous support of local partners and the American Red Cross – Santa Barbara County Chapter, the community of Santa Maria and surrounding areas in North County are now better prepared for medical emergencies.

We look forward to our continued partnership and working collaborative on future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Marguerite Sanchez-Monroy, Secretary and Treasurer

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