

BETTY ANN ONG FOUNDATION

P.O. Box 1108
Bakersfield, CA 93302

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Dear Family and Friends,

On October 20, 2011, the San Francisco Recreation & Park Department Commission voted unanimously to change the name of Chinese Recreation Center to the "Betty Ann Ong Chinese Recreation Center". This center serves one of San Francisco's most densely populated neighborhoods by providing sports related activities and programs to people of all generations and backgrounds.

Betty Ann Ong was the flight attendant who first reported the hijacking of American Airlines Flight 11, which was flown directly into the World Trade Center in New York City, on September 11, 2001. The re-naming of the center honors the memory of Betty Ann Ong and all who sacrificed their lives on the day the United States of America was attacked.

The newly renovated, three-level, 23,850 square feet center is truly beautiful. It is scheduled for completion in July 2012 thanks to a \$21 million allocation from the 2000 Neighborhood Park Projects Bond and the 2008 Clean and Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond.

However, these bonds provide for structural construction only and do not permit the purchase of any interior furnishings or sports equipment (e.g., desks, tables, benches, chairs, computers, audio-visual & class equipment, lockers, gym sports and fitness equipment) that are necessary to properly supply, equip, and operate the recreation center. The estimated total cost for these items is over \$100,000.



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The San Francisco Recreation & Park Department will staff and maintain the Betty Ann Ong Chinese Recreation Center. However, it is incumbent upon all of us to ensure that the newly rebuilt facility is properly equipped and can adequately continue to serve the people both now and for future generations to come.

We are asking for your generosity to help fund the new Betty Ann Ong Chinese Recreation Center with a tax-deductible donation, made payable to the Betty Ann Ong Foundation, at P. O. Box 1108 Bakersfield, CA 93302. (The Betty Ann Ong Foundation, a non-profit organization which was established in 2002, is dedicated in memory of Betty to promote children's wellness and active lifestyles.) Your donation will allow the center to thrive and continue as a cornerstone of vitality in the community.

Have a safe and healthy new year. Thank you for your generous donation.

Sincerely,
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