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PROJECT ACCESS SCORES WITH $300,000 ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT AT STRAWBERRY FARMS

Duffers From As Far Away as Arizona, Colorado, Utah, and Texas Joined in the Fundraiser

ORANGE, Calif. (June 2, 2022) – The Project Access Annual Charity Golf Tournament, presented by Bridge Investment Group, took place on May 25, 2022, at Strawberry Farms Golf Club in Irvine, California, netting an impressive $300,000 for the Orange, CA, based non-profit. These funds exceed the 2021 tally of $286,650. There were 121 participants in the tournament this year, with some participants attending from as far away as Arizona, Colorado, Utah, and Texas.

In addition to serious play on the links, along with some duffer antics and good fun, the tournament boasted a live auction with an array of impressive offerings such as a Hawaiian getaway, northern California golf retreat, Utah ski experience, Diamante Cabo San Lucas golf vacation, Napa Valley epicurean adventure, Wrigley Field rooftop experience, plus tickets to the 2022 ESPY Awards. The one-week Diamante Cabo San Lucas golf vacation for 2023 (featuring a four-bedroom villa for up to eight people, ten rounds of golf, and a $1,500 airline voucher) garnered the highest-selling bid at $13,500.

Other activities of the day included a chance to measure up and take advantage of the skills of famed World Long Drive Competitor Tommy Hug; a “Closest to the Pin” competition where the winner received an Aston Martin weekend guest drive (presented by Aston Martin of Newport Beach) valued at $2,500; and golfers were able to test their skills against golf pro and “The Big Break” star Maiya Tanaka for a chance to win a Titleist Vokey Wedge.

The day of camaraderie and fundraising was made possible through the generous support and contributions of the event’s Hole in One, Eagle, and Birdie sponsors:

Hole in One: Bridge Investment Group
Eagle: Danna Foundation
Birdie: Affordable Housing Access, Crean Foundation, HD Supply, One Call Construction Services, Vitus Group, Wells Fargo, and the Christian V. and Lisa D. Young Family Foundation

“We’re thrilled to have exceeded our expectations for our annual fundraising golf tournament, and its tremendous success is all due to the generous support of our incredible sponsors,” said Kristin Byrnes, Chief Executive Officer and President of Project Access. “The generosity of our sponsors, especially our golf committee members Dan Stanger from Bridge Investment Group, Matt DeGraw from Bridge Property Management, Shawn Boyd from Affordable Housing Access, and Bill Whalen from Wells Fargo, plus the dedication of our staff, always ensure a memorable event, a great turn-out, and now another, and tremendously appreciated, high-water mark for our fundraising efforts.”

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The services of Project Access (28 community locations in Southern California alone, with 18 in Orange County) are delivered right in residents’ backyards, providing direct tools and opportunities to under-resourced individuals to stabilize and empower themselves and their households. This approach to service delivery embeds Project Access into the fabric of an apartment community, allowing the non-profit to build trust with residents while also eliminating significant service barriers like transportation, childcare, and cost. The specialized programs offered by Project Resource Centers are developed to achieve positive resident outcomes such as academic achievement, financial stability, and improved access to health services.

ABOUT PROJECT ACCESS
Project Access is based in Orange, California, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. It operates family and senior Resource Centers in over 80 affordable and workforce housing communities nationwide, where residents are provided with vital on-site health, education, and employment services to cultivate strong communities, positive changes, and hopeful futures. Since the first Project Access Resource Center opened in Santa Ana, California, in 1999, it has grown exponentially, and this year anticipates serving over 27,500 individuals in 16 states across the country.

More information about Project Access is available at www.project-access.org.

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