



Dear Sponsors & Golfers,

We hope this email finds you and your family well and healthy during this very surreal time. The Santa Barbara Association of REALTORS® has made the very difficult decision to postpone the 2020 Charity Golf Tournament, scheduled on Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at the Sandpiper Golf Course due to the concerns related to the spread of the coronavirus. While the news is disappointing to all of us, the health and safety of our membership and the Santa Barbara community is our top priority.

The SBAOR C.O.R.E. Committee will spend the next months preparing for our annual fundraising tournament to take place in the fall. We hope to maintain our partnership with our sponsors as the Friendship Center will need the support of our community, more now than ever.

Below is a statement from this year's beneficiary:

*We appreciate your loyalty and support of SBAOR's golf tournament charity recipient, Friendship Center, which has been especially hard hit by COVID-19 and needs your help now more than ever. Both Montecito and Goleta sites, which serve at risk seniors, have been closed since mid-March, and are suffering major financial losses. The center is vital and is home away from home for many seniors with dementia in our local community. In response to the crisis, we took immediate action to implement remote services—delivering care packages, making routine check-in calls to members and their families, regularly scheduled virtual activities online (including guest speakers), and increasing remote ZOOM caregiver support groups are just some of the ways they have adapted to continue care.*

*Please help Friendship Center keep up this good work, even while not bringing in revenue, so that they may resume the Adult Day Service Center as soon as possible. To make a direct emergency gift, please visit:*

<https://friendshipcentersb.org/contribute-2/donate/>

*Every dollar helps! Thank you from our Members and Staff*

We will be monitoring the COVID-19 progression and take lead from our local government officials while preparing our event and will send out details as the event unfolds.

Please contact Kasey Gilles [kgilles@sbaor.com](mailto:kgilles@sbaor.com) | 805.884.8615 for questions or concerns regarding your sponsorship.

We look forward to sharing a good time with you on the course. FORE!

Best,

The SBAOR C.O.R.E. Committee