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San Carlos Schools to Receive Much-Needed Funding from Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Inc.

San Carlos, CA — In response to the financial challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic on the San Carlos Elementary School District, the City of San Carlos reached out to Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Inc. for support. Alexandria is currently planning a development project in San Carlos, which will include various community benefits. With Alexandria’s deep and longstanding commitment to education and making a positive impact on its communities, it has pledged to donate $1.5 million to assist the San Carlos School District (SCSD) and the San Carlos Education Foundation (SCEF) in their efforts to serve the students of San Carlos.

Alexandria is the leading owner, operator and developer of collaborative life science, technology and agtech campuses in key innovation cluster locations. The mission-driven real estate investment trust is currently developing the Alexandria District for Science and Technology campus on the east side of San Carlos on Commercial Street. For more than two decades, Alexandria has helped grow the San Francisco Bay Area life science cluster and its new biotech campus in San Carlos will become a life science destination that drives innovation to improve human health.
“We were delighted to hear of Alexandria’s generous donation of $1.5 million to our local schools,” stated Mayor Ron Collins. “The COVID-19 pandemic has hit our community hard, particularly the school district, which has historically been underfunded by the State. Alexandria’s gift to the San Carlos community couldn’t have come at a greater time of need. On behalf of the City Council, I want to extend my thanks to the leaders of Alexandria for their kindness to the children of San Carlos.”

“Alexandria’s contribution will allow SCEF to further its mission to provide critical community support to ensure that San Carlos public schools continue to offer the quality education we have come to expect for our students,” said Kathy Parmer-Lohan, Executive Director, SCEF. “The chronic state underfunding of our public schools make these types of contributions especially important today. We are sincerely grateful for Alexandria’s generous donation.”

“We are so fortunate in San Carlos that for decades the community has consistently supported our schools through parcel taxes, SCEF, and volunteering, enabling SCSD to build a sought-after school system that supports the whole child,” said Carol Elliott, President, SCSD Board of Trustees. “The City of San Carlos is such an important partner to us in our work, and the gift from Alexandria is a great example of how collaboration between leaders at the City and SCSD results in impactful outcomes for our schools. The generosity of Alexandria’s donation, and its leadership in support of our schools, will result in an immediate and tangible benefit to the district, helping us to address our budget shortfall and avoid further cuts. We’d like to express our deepest appreciation to both Alexandria and the City of San Carlos staff and Council members for their partnership.”
For more information about SCSD, visit www.scsdk8.org. Information about SCEF can be found at its website at www.scefkids.org. To learn more about Alexandria, visit www.are.com. To learn more about the project Alexandria is bringing to San Carlos, visit the City of San Carlos website at www.cityofsancarlos.org/alexandriaproject.

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