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St. Madeleine Sophie’s Center

**SMSC New Multi-purpose Building**

St. Madeleine Sophie’s Center, located in El Cajon, California on a five-acre campus, provides educational and vocational programs for more than 400 developmentally disabled adults. SMSC is committed to enabling adults with developmental disabilities to discover, experience, and realize their full potential as members of the greater community through innovative, individualized programs.

**Programs**

St. Madeleine Sophie’s Center provides quality programs that are seldom offered by other facilities. Each day, students have the opportunity to participate in various specialized programs such as speech therapy, aquatics, dance, art, catering, organic gardening, computer training, creative writing, newsletter production, contract mailing and supported employment opportunities.

**Sophie’s Gallery**

Our renowned art program includes “Sophie’s”, an art studio and gallery in downtown El Cajon which opened in December of 1999. The gallery exhibits and markets the work of the SMSC students, while the studio provides space for an artist’s workshop.

**Speech Therapy**

The Myron S. Eichen Speech Therapy Fund supports another extraordinary program to develop the communication skills of students.

**Visual Arts**

The Kraemer Endowment Foundation has developed a Visual Arts Endowment Fund. Donations can be designated to support art programs.

**Garden Enhancements**

The Starek Family Fund honors their mother, Marie, by providing monthly payments to maintain the garden area.

**Kraemer Endowment Foundation**

The Foundation was established in 1992 to ensure the financial future of St. Madeleine Sophie’s Center by protecting assets through careful and intelligent investments. It exists to protect the essential quality programs that are unique to St. Madeleine Sophie’s Center. The Foundation has grown from assets worth $200,000 in 1993 to over $8,100,000 today, providing monthly, unrestricted aid to SMSC equaling an estimated annual contribution of $330,000 in 2014.

**Goals**

- Increase the permanent endowment, ensuring the long-term existence of St. Madeleine Sophie’s Center.
- Make available to the Center the interest earned on investments to help with current expenses and special needs.
- Assist in maintaining the high quality and effectiveness of programs at SMSC, particularly those programs that create independence, foster growth in self-esteem and develop the lives of adults at the Center.

**Hinman Plaza and Pavilion**

The newest addition to the SMSC campus is the Hinman Plaza and Pavilion dedicated in Loving Memory to Laura Rose Geraghty Hinman. The pavilion serves as a lovely spot in the SMSC garden that can host events for up to 60 people. It is a choice location open to the public for weddings, memorials and charity events. It also serves as the location for SMSC programs such as music therapy, gardening and self-advocacy board meetings.

**Creative programs to build self-determination, interdependence and life skills.**

The name, Kraemer Endowment Foundation for St. Madeleine Sophie’s Center, underscores the close ties between the Center and the Foundation. The two organizations, together with friends and contributors, are partners in the same life-giving work of providing the best programs and opportunities possible for adults with developmental disabilities.