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## FOUNDATION FORMED TO SUPPORT FIRE DISTRICT

**FOUNDATION**  
SERVING WOODSIDE,  
PORTOLA VALLEY,  
EMERALD HILLS, LADERA  
LOS TRANCOS, SKYLINE  
AND VISTA VERDE

WOODSIDE, Calif. – November 15, 2010 – The Woodside Fire Protection District has established the Woodside-Portola Valley Fire Protection Foundation ([www.FireDistrictFoundation.org](http://www.FireDistrictFoundation.org)) to augment the budget of the Fire District for up-to-date equipment, facilities, fire prevention and training.

Like the local public schools, the Fire District is faced with a significant decrease in government funding and increasing costs. Private funding and support are critical. The Foundation's immediate goal of \$250,000 over the next year will enable the continued success of the District's services and programs.

“Responding to over 2,000 incidents every year, our firefighters do much more today than ever before,” said Armando Muela, Fire Chief, Woodside Fire Protection District.

Serving 32 square miles, the Woodside Fire Protection District (WFPD) serves the Town of Woodside, the Town of Portola Valley, and the areas of Emerald Hills, Ladera, Los Trancos, Skyline and Vista Verde in San Mateo County.

This fall, via a mass mailing, the Foundation will be educating the community about all the fire department does for the area it serves, and how the community can insure that these outstanding services continue. The Foundation is also developing a fundraiser and awareness event for 2011.

The Woodside-Portola Valley Fire Protection Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, was founded in 2009. The Board is comprised of a team of community volunteers and Fire District staff. For more information about the Foundation, visit its website [www.FireDistrictFoundation.org](http://www.FireDistrictFoundation.org).

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