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**MILLBRAE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MAKES DONATION TO
AMERICAN RED CROSS HURRICANE RELIEF FUND**

ART & WINE FESTIVAL RAISES OVER \$5,000 FOR RED CROSS

MILLBRAE, CALIFORNIA – September 30, 2005 – The Millbrae Chamber of Commerce raised over \$5,000 for the American Red Cross Hurricane Relief Fund during the 35th annual Millbrae Art & Wine Festival. The festival was held over Labor Day weekend and the Chamber had pledged to donate a portion of their proceeds to the Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund.

At the Festival Volunteer Appreciation reception held on September 22nd, the Chamber's Chairman (Dr. Jeff Gressard) presented a check in the amount of \$5,550 to Mary Watt, a member of the board of directors for the Bay Area Chapter of the American Red Cross. The money came from festival proceeds as well as contributions from local businesses.

"We appreciate the work that the American Red Cross is doing for those whose lives have been impacted by Hurricane Katrina," said Dr. Gressard. "The Chamber would like to thank the thousands of festival attendees and all of the local businesses who helped us raise the money."

The Millbrae Chamber of Commerce will continue to collect donations on behalf of the American Red Cross. More information about how to donate can be found on the Chamber's web site (www.millbrae.com).

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