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<u>Event:</u> Ventura Police Community Foundation & Aera Energy, LLC Present the 21st Annual PAL Golf Tournament

Location: Olivas Links Golf Course, 3750 Olivas Park Drive, Ventura CA 93001

Date/Time: June 1, 2018, 8:00 am (Entry Deadline May 25, 2018)



The Ventura Police Community Foundation and Aera Energy, LLC proudly present the 21st Annual Police Activities League Golf Tournament June 1, 2018 at 8:00 am at Olivas Links Golf Course located at 3750 Olivas Park Drive in Ventura. Proceeds raised at the tournament help to support afterschool programs for local youth. The \$135 donation per player includes: green fees and cart, gift bag, awards ceremony and lunch by Scooter's BBQ.

PAL was founded back in 1997 with a primary goal to provide at-risk youth with meaningful recreation, educational, and cultural programs designed to keep youth away from the influence of gangs, drugs, violence and delinquent behaviors. Today, PAL now operating as the Ventura Police Community Foundation, plays an important role in Ventura's Program Enrichment for After-school Kids (PEAK) and After-School Enrichment and Safety (ASES) Programs. These programs are a partnership between PAL, Ventura's Parks, Recreation and Community Partnership Department and the Ventura Unified School District. The programs proudly serve over 630 youth each day in a safe and supportive environment.

"It is the support of the sponsors, contributors, golfers, and volunteers who help to make this tournament and the Ventura Police Community Foundation a success. While we have many long-time sponsors, I want to mention the long-standing support of our Title Sponsor – Aera Energy, LLC. Aera has been a major supporter of PAL and the annual golf tournament since 1997," said Police Chief Ken Corney. Over the years, Aera's support has included the offset of startup costs for the program and much needed equipment. Aera donated funds to purchase a van to provide transportation to and from the program for area children and recently donated funds to build and equip a fitness area at the Westpark Community Center so that our local youth can be active in a safe environment.

The mission of the <u>Ventura Police Community Foundation</u> is to foster and support programs and initiatives that strengthen a safe community and enhance the quality of life in Ventura. The Foundation supports public safety improvements, community partnerships and youth programs. The goal is to strengthen partnerships between citizens of our community, including youth and schools, business members and police in the City of Ventura.