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Golden State Finance Authority Provides Mariposa County \$163,000 to Assist Victims of Detwiler Fire

SACRAMENTO, CA – Golden State Finance Authority (GSFA) announced today that it is providing \$163,000 to Mariposa County residents through the Mariposa Community Foundation to further efforts to provide safe and sanitary interim housing to individuals and families displaced from their primary residence by the Detwiler Fire. Declared both a local and state disaster, the Detwiler Fire destroyed more than 63 residences, and 68 other structures when it burned more than 81,000 acres in July 2017.

“It’s important to remember that the impacts of these ever-increasing, devastating California wildfires extend decades beyond the initial burn,” said Kevin Cann, who is in the unique position of being both GSFA Chair, and a Mariposa County Supervisor. “Our deepest sympathies go out to those impacted by the Detwiler Fire. While we continually strive to address the issue of wildfires and forest management on the policy front alongside public advocacy organizations such as the Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC), an affiliate of GSFA, we are proud to be able to support recovery and rebuilding efforts through GSFA. These funds, combined with a similar amount raised throughout the community, are providing desperately needed relief to those most in need” observed Cann, who was personally involved in the Detwiler incident.

Golden State Finance Authority (GSFA) is a California joint powers authority and a duly constituted public entity and agency. GSFA was established in 1993 by the Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC), a public service organization that champions policies on behalf of California’s rural counties. GSFA’s mission is helping to build strong communities through homeownership and economic development. GSFA has distinguished itself as a leader in housing finance in California for over two decades, helping more than 72,000 individuals and families purchase a home. GSFA has provided over \$505 million in down payment assistance and helped finance 27,200 energy efficiency improvement projects. GSFA programs are made possible through private and public-sector relationships.

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