San Francisco’s Institute on Aging Receives 500K Grant from The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation

SAN FRANCISCO, July 8, 2020 — Institute on Aging, one of California’s largest nonprofits dedicated to health and community programs for older adults and adults living with disabilities, today announced it has received a $500,000 grant from The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation.

This capstone gift funds the home base of Institute on Aging’s larger dementia strategy—based on a new 360-degree whole person and community system—that supports individuals living with dementia as well as their families and care circles. This ecosystem envisions leveraging existing programs and will look to experts to help expand the currently limited dementia service sphere.

“The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation has been a long-valued partner of Institute on Aging, first contributing to the capital campaign in 2008 that enabled us to build our organization’s headquarters on Geary Boulevard,” said Tom Briody, Institute on Aging’s President and CEO. “We are very appreciative of them for this generous grant that enables us to launch our broader dementia strategy efforts.”

Institute on Aging’s Enrichment Center at the Presidio, located at 386 Arguello Blvd, will act as a centralized hub for support and emotional/mental health programs, healthcare providers, medical
specialists, advocacy groups, and research organizations. The Enrichment Center, which houses Institute on Aging’s Enrichment Day Program for older adults with dementia, officially opened in September 2019. The center is temporarily closed for health and safety reasons due to the coronavirus pandemic.

“The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation continues to be a leader in investing in the health and well-being of San Franciscans,” added Briody. “We thank them for helping make the Enrichment Center an invaluable resource for our city to enjoy and benefit from for years to come.”

About Institute on Aging

Founded in 1975, Institute on Aging (IOA) is one of California’s largest community-based nonprofit organizations providing comprehensive health, social, and psychological services for older adults and adults living with disabilities. IOA’s mission is to enhance the quality of life for adults as they age by enabling them to maintain their health, well-being, independence, and participation in the community. Long considered one of the most innovative and diverse organizations of its kind, Institute on Aging touches the lives of more than 20,000 older adults and adults with living disabilities and their families each year through programs designed to alleviate isolation and enable seniors to continue living independently in the community. Learn more at www.ioaging.org.

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