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Pacific Marine Mammal Center Now Accepting Applications for New Diversity Scholarship Program

As a part of PMMC's New Diversity Equity and Inclusion Initiatives

Laguna Beach, CA Tuesday, March 1, 2022 – Pacific Marine Mammal Center (PMMC) announced they are now accepting applications for a new diversity scholarship program. As part of their commitment to support diversity and access to their education programs that inspire the next generation of marine scientists, biologists, veterinarians and conservationists, this scholarship program is for children (ages 8-12) and teens (ages 15-17) from underrepresented racial and ethnic backgrounds, gender identities, sexual orientations, and/or individuals living with disabilities who show a genuine interest in marine science.

PMMC hopes these scholarships will provide inspirational and meaningful opportunities for those who may not otherwise have the availability and financial resources to participate.

"PMMC's new Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee initiatives hope to provide equal access, opportunities, and resources for people who might be excluded or marginalized. Equality in education is so vital in our society. You never know who will be inspired and become the next great environmental innovator," said Peter Chang, PMMC CEO and DEI Committee member.

11 scholarships in total can be awarded, one for each week of PMMC's camps offered this Spring/Summer. Scholarship applications are due by April 1, 2022. Award recipients will be selected by PMMC's DEI Committee and Education team. For more information about PMMC's DEI initiatives and available scholarships please go to: www.pacificmmc.org/DEI or email their team at diversity@pacificmmc.org.

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About Pacific Marine Mammal Center (PMMC)

The Pacific Marine Mammal Center rescues, rehabilitates and releases marine mammals and inspires ocean stewardship through research, education and collaboration. PMMC is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization. This year PMMC is celebrating it's 50th anniversary, 50 years of ocean and marine mammal conservation. Tax-ID #: 95-3680896

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About PMMC's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee

The Pacific Marine Mammal Center Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee supports the organizational mission through a commitment to inclusive and equitable policies and practices that reflect and value all members of our diverse community.

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