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“NEW TEEN OUTREACH SERVICES PROVIDED BY MENLO PARK COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB”

Menlo Park, CA – The City of Menlo Park’s Community Services Department and the Boys and Girls Club of the Peninsula, are combining resources to provide much needed new services to area teens. By providing services in this progressive partnership, teens are exposed to a more comprehensive network of resources and the organizations are better able to provide a far-reaching service, at a reduced operating cost.

The new program, housed at the Menlo Park Boys and Girls Club in Menlo Park, will offer a “teen drop in room”. The room features a wide screen TV, music, games, and plenty of space to sit and relax. Young people will also have access to tutoring assistance, computer and art classes, and sports activities.

Teens will also be able to participate in other teen programs like the “Boys and Girls Club Scholarship” program. The program encourages teens to pursue college degrees through a series of workshops and college visits. In addition, the Community Services Departments “Girls Only” program allows young women to explore issues such as dating and academic pressure from a young woman’s point of view. Each program also has healthy doses of fun built in.

The teen program operates Monday – Friday from 3 – 8 p.m. at the Boys and Girls Club located at 401 Market Place Road in Menlo Park. Teens in grades 7 – 12 are encouraged to join the program.

For more information call the Menlo Park Community Services Department – Teen Services Division at 650-330-2245.