



## **Merced Irrigation District Donates \$1,000 for McNamara Pool Opening**

*District Will Join City in Water and Canal Safety Day Later This  
Summer*

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MERCED, CA — Merced Irrigation District announced today that it will contribute \$1,000 toward the opening of the McNamara Swimming Pool in the City of Merced. MID also expects to conduct a children’s water and canal safety day at McNamara Park later this summer.

MID held a similar water safety day last year at Lake Yosemite as part of its Water and Canal Safety Program. (For more please click [here](#).)

“MID remains committed to being a responsible community partner, and we remain committed to water and canal safety,” said MID General Manager John Sweigard. “We believe this presents an excellent opportunity for our community to work together and to educate children about the dangers of canals and open waterways. An open pool with lifeguards is a much safer alternative in keeping children away from canals.”

United Way of Merced County has established a fund for community donations to help support the opening of the pool. MID will deposit a check in the coming days. The date for the Water and Canal Safety Day will be determined at a later time.

Mary Bigelow, Director of Resource Development for United Way of Merced County, expressed her support for all of the donations received from the community in recent days.

“It is crucial we make an investment in the health, safety and development of our youth,” she said. “As a community we need to come together. We appreciate every bit of support this effort has received so far.”

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