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PRESIDIO & CITY OF MONTEREY WIN ARMY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AWARD

Monterey, CA. – The Presidio Municipal Services Agency (PMSA), a partnership between the City of Monterey and the Presidio of Monterey, was awarded the **Army Community Partnership Award from the U.S. Army**. On December 6, Colonel Lawrence Brown, Garrison Commander of the Presidio of Monterey, Deputy City Manager Dino Pick and PMSA staff attended an awards ceremony at the Pentagon, hosted by Under Secretary of the Army Patrick Murphy.

The U.S. Army launched this inaugural award program to recognize partnerships between installations and communities that provide cost efficiencies, improve community relations and mission training, and demonstrate ingenuity. More than 19 installations and neighboring communities were considered for the award.

“We are proud to receive national recognition for the many years of hard work and cooperation between our agencies,” said City Manager Mike McCarthy. “We see the Presidio of Monterey as another neighborhood in the City, and preservation of our neighborhoods is one of our highest priorities.”

The City of Monterey has provided base operations services for the Presidio of Monterey since 1998. The PMSA partnership has become known as "**The Monterey Model**” and is now being adopted by communities across the country. Services include

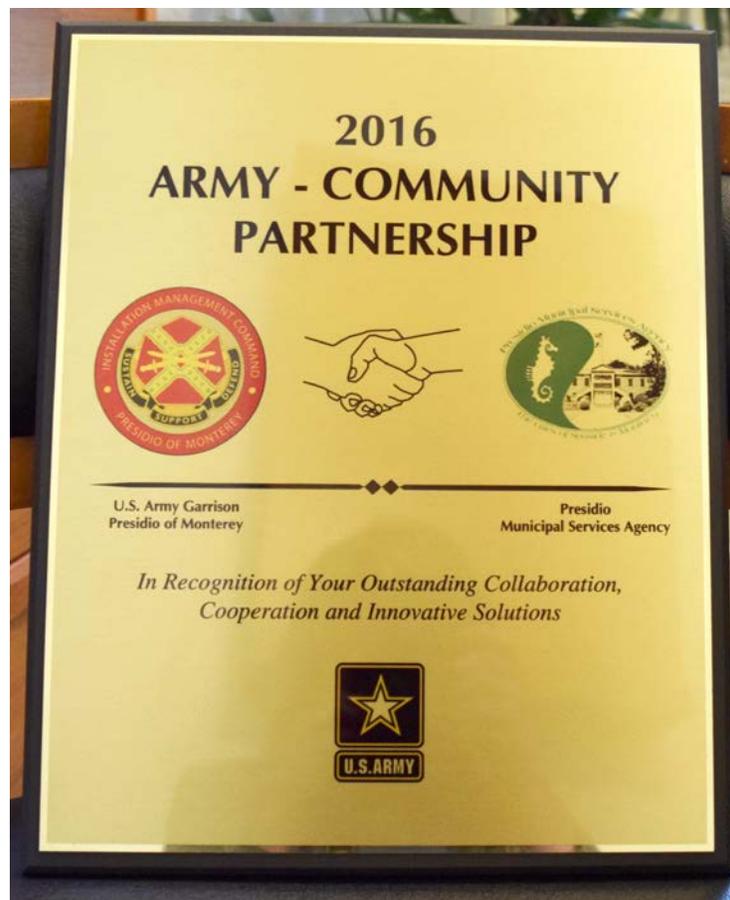
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the maintenance of streets, buildings, storm drains and parks.

“Partnering with federal, state and local governments to find creative solutions to challenges is especially important during times of constrained resources,” said Lt. Gen. Gwen Bingham, assistant chief of staff for installation management.

This fall, the PMSA entered into a new five year agreement for the delivery of municipal services. The Intergovernmental Support Agreement (IGSA) will further streamline and reduce costs, and support a continued military presence in Monterey. The City of Monterey was also visited by Army TV, who shot a documentary about the Monterey Model.

For more information about the Monterey Model, visit www.montereymodel.org.



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