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### SAN FRANCISCO FCU MANAGEMENT HELPS CLEAN UP SF PLAYGROUND

San Francisco, Calif. (July 15, 2010) – The management staff at San Francisco Federal Credit recently took time out of their workday to help clean up a nearby playground in partnership with the San Francisco Neighborhood Parks Council.

The Neighborhood Parks Council (NPC) and the Recreation and Park Department (RPD) survey public playgrounds every two years for safety and maintenance as part of the NPC Playground Initiative. Out of the 125 San Francisco playgrounds assessed, 46 playgrounds received a C, D, or F grade. In 2010, the Panhandle Playground in San Francisco received a “D” grade and was identified as needing major repairs.

In June, San Francisco Federal Credit Union reached out to NPC to step up as volunteers in revitalizing this neighborhood playground. The management team gathered at the Panhandle Playground for a few hours one morning to sift sand, plant flowers and remove weeds and dead leaves from the sand and surrounding flower beds. Within just a few hours and with many helping hands from the San Francisco FCU group, it was evident that the Panhandle Playground was cleaned and renewed from the collective effort of this clean-up.

"All children deserve clean, safe and fun places to play in, yet our city lacks needed resources. Through partnerships like the one between NPC and San Francisco FCU, volunteers can improve the safety of our failing playgrounds and leverage outside resources for needed repairs," said Meredith Thomas, Executive Director at Neighborhood Parks Council.

San Francisco Neighborhood Parks Council advocates for a superior, equitable and sustainable park and recreation system. NPC provides leadership and support to park users through community-driven stewardship, education, planning and research. Since 1996, Neighborhood Parks Council has established itself as San Francisco's premier park advocacy authority, representing more than 100 park groups, over 50 strategic partner organizations, and 4,000+ park volunteers. Learn more at [www.sfnpc.org](http://www.sfnpc.org).

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**Photo Caption: San Francisco FCU Management Team at the Panhandle Playground**

