

# RCAF Ripon Community Athletic Foundation

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Dear Business Owner,

Thanks to Rina's Run, RUSD, and community support, we've installed \$1.8M in infrastructure in Ripon High Stadium (see before and after pictures below)! In addition to what's already installed, the school district is in the process of replacing all the home bleachers and press box. The bathrooms are noncompliant and any improvements made on them is like painting a sinking ship. As we continue to raise funds towards compliant and acceptable bathrooms, I am asking for your consideration in this Rina's Run sponsor request. Your support will also help in our grant writing endeavors, because many foundations offer matching grants, thereby doubling your investment.

To give you an idea of how Ripon High students feel about their bathrooms, we conducted a survey last year. The RHS students and athletes prefer the porta-potties over the existing dreadful bathrooms. Out of 588 surveyed Ripon High students, 80% of them feel awkward while using their stadium restrooms. We are grateful the school district has already allocated \$150,000 towards this essential need.

We already have over 900 local donors and volunteers, who have believed in the importance of this project by investing time and/or money. Our football team had their best season in 29 years on their new field, and our boys soccer team had their best season in their history - getting to play their first season on a HOME field was amazing for them. This project has a huge impact on the morale of the athletes, students, and families of our town. This is your invitation to invest in an exciting, vibrant community project that needs everyone's participation to be successful.

Rina's Run is our only annual fundraiser, and the marketing exposure through this popular community event is fabulous! Moreover, any amount will receive permanent recognition in the completed stadium relative to the size of the donation. Your participation in the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Rina's Run 5K, 10K, Half Marathon on May 13, 2017 is another way to express support for Ripon High's Stadium.

In 2018, we will be handing the baton of Rina's Run over to Mike Mason and the Ripon Manteca Moves Training Team. This move will only strengthen the event as their team expands the event's beneficiary list to include other Ripon and regional charities. We are excited about our partnership with them and that this event will have continued growth in our endeavor to bring healthy family activities to our region.

Thank you for your kind consideration,

Stephanie Hobbs, President/Founder RCAF Ripon High Stadium Project  
Rina's Run Race Co-Director  
Mike Mason as Co-Director and President Ripon Manteca Moves Training Team

