

**1 TEAM 1 DREAM**

## The Founders

**Mary Ann Schmid, Founder**  
**Olga Martin Steele, Co-Founder**

***After Mary Ann's harrowing experience with the history-making Mendocino Complex Fire, she saw first hand how our community, including local businesses and their valuable workforce, were severely impacted. She wanted to help, to do something to stimulate the local economy, to open the door for jobs.***

***Olga, who witnessed the impact of four consecutive years of wildfire saw the toll on the region. Shuttered storefronts; despair in the eyes of the elderly, families and others who gathered in mass at local shelters were constant reminders of hopelessness. She wanted to help.***

***Brought together by the impacts of fire, one day, as the two shared their mutual heartbreak and dismay, they decided to take action. On September 11, 2018 they launched “1Team 1Dream,” at “Conversations With The Schmid’s,” an event attended by business owners, Chamber members, public officials and various community members.***

**1Team 1Dream is a fundraising initiative formed by Maryann and Olga to respond to the needs of a community traumatized by fire. Visit [www.1team1dream.net](http://www.1team1dream.net).**

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## Our Mission

***To support and  
promote  
economic  
growth and  
resiliency in  
Lake County.***

We are a 501 (c) 3, nonprofit formed in response to the many needs that surfaced following a prolonged recession and multiple years of fires.

## 1Team 1Dream

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## Board of Directors

*Olga Martin Steele, President*  
*Mary Ann Schmid, Vice President*  
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*Helena Welsh, Director*  
*John Arslanian, Director*  
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***A little over one year since launching 1Team 1Dream, the Board of Directors is preparing to kick off their first project, “Hand Up Lake County.”***

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## Inspired by Fire

***Opening Doors To Opportunity***  
*A simple dream, inspired by fire.*



## ONLY THE BRAVE

Painting by local artist, Ben Van Steenburgh

*"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." - Margaret Mead*

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## Hand Up Lake County

*A project to open doors for budding entrepreneurs and small businesses - and a chance to win a cash award.*



Inspired by Shark Tank and Start Up Mendocino, “*Hand Up Lake County*” supports the notion that great ideas, backed by solid planning, can be realized - with a helping hand up.

- Do you believe in and love Lake County?
- Do you have a dream to own your own business?
- Do you have a creative idea - the ability and the stamina it takes to manage a business?
- Do you have what it takes to pitch your idea to local business leaders?
- Do you need a financial boost to kick-start a business or enhance your current business?

If you answered yes to these questions and you are willing to set aside time to attend training, develop a business plan and pitch your idea to a panel of local business owners, then you are an ideal candidate.

Through a competitive process, budding entrepreneurs and small businesses ready to take their business to the next level are invited to join the competition. Multiple awards will be distributed at a gala celebration and competition. The top contestant will receive \$10,000.

For more information about Hand Up Lake County, please contact us at 916-849-8170 or 707-295-0603.

## JOIN THE TEAM

Put the “team” in the “dream” – we need you. You can help by donating or becoming a sponsor.