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Festival of Children Foundation Awards over \$45,000 to Fund Dreams of Orange County Children's Charities

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WHAT: Festival of Children Foundation, a Costa Mesa based non-profit dedicated to improving the lives of children, awarded over \$45,000 in grant money to seven Orange County children's charities as part of The Possible Dream 2012 grant program.

All of Festival of Children Foundation's Orange County-based member organizations were invited to apply for the grant money. A panel of diverse judges reviewed over 60 applications, and after careful consideration, selected the following seven charities to receive grants, based on their dreams:

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Orange County in Tustin
Families Forward in Irvine
Human Options in Santa Ana
Kids Konected in Laguna Hills
Pacific Symphony's Heartstrings in Santa Ana
THINK Together in Santa Ana
Youth Employment Service (YES) of the Harbor Area, Inc. in Costa Mesa

Representatives from the selected non-profits attended a check presentation ceremony at The Capital Grille restaurant on March 1, 2012. "It was the innovative thinking and ability to impact the lives of children that caused these dreams to rise above. We hope this grant money will help these organizations achieve their dreams to the very fullest of its potential," said Sandy Segerstrom Daniels, Founder & Executive Director of Festival of Children Foundation.

About Festival of Children Foundation

Festival of Children Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that serves to bring together and coordinate the efforts of charities, companies and individuals who actively work to improve the lives of children. Festival of Children Foundation gives a voice, guidance and support. 100% of the administrative costs are covered by designated funding, allowing donations to go further in direct support of programs and services that improve the lives of children. For more information, please visit www.festivalofchildren.org.