



# Hedge Fund Industry Raises Nearly \$2 Million to Prevent and Treat Child Abuse

## *Hedge Fund Industry raises funds for Tri-state Area Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Programs at 15th Annual Hedge Funds Care New York Open Your Heart to the Children Benefit*

NEW YORK - March 12, 2013 - [Hedge Funds Care](#), one of the most world renowned charities associated with the hedge fund industry, raised nearly \$2 million at its 15th Annual *Hedge Funds Care New York Open Your Heart to the Children Benefit* last Thursday night, with all proceeds benefiting programs to prevent and treat child abuse. The gala, hosted at Cipriani on 42nd Street in New York City, attracted more than 1,000 senior executives from some of the world's most well-known hedge funds including Elliott Management, Fortress Investment Group and Pershing Square Capital.

Joseph Fisher, Partner and the New York Hedge Fund Audit Leader at Deloitte & Touche LLP, and Dylan Curley, Managing Director in J.P. Morgan's Corporate & Investment Bank, were co-Chairs of this year's event. Guests networked over cocktails and hors d'oeuvres and participated in a silent auction. Paul Roth, Founding Partner of globally-recognized law firm Schulte, Roth & Zabel, was presented with the organization's *Lifetime Achievement Award*. Credit Suisse Managing Director Paul Germain delivered an address about how Safe Horizon, an agency that assists child abuse victims, has benefited from Hedge Funds Care's support.

"This is an evening that brings together the best and brightest minds in the hedge fund industry to embrace a common pursuit, which is to prevent and treat child abuse," said Dean Backer, President of Hedge Funds Care and Global Head of Sales and Capital Introduction in the Global Securities Services business at Goldman Sachs. "I am extremely grateful for the industry's support in working toward helping us achieve our fundraising goal."

"Seeing the hedge fund industry rally to support such an important cause is gratifying and humbling," Curley said. "It's wonderful to know that so many people are willing to confront these horrific situations by supporting organizations like Hedge Funds Care and the programs it supports, and in recognizing that there is still much more work to be done."

"We unfortunately continue to hear and read about cases of child abuse," said Dr. Kathryn Conroy, Executive Director and CEO of Hedge Funds Care. "I am grateful that such a large number of people in the hedge fund industry are helping Hedge Funds Care continue to work towards preventing and treating child abuse."

Funds from this year's event will back child abuse programs in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. In addition to the New York Gala, Hedge Funds Care raises proceeds through events in more than 11 cities in the US, the UK, Canada, and Cayman Islands. Hedge Funds Care is the only grant-making operating charity that focuses exclusively on preventing and treating child abuse.

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### **About Hedge Funds Care**

Hedge Funds Care ([HedgeFundsCare.org](#)) is an international charity supported largely by the alternative investment industry. Its sole mission is to support efforts to prevent and treat child abuse. Hedge Funds Care awards grants in 12 major cities in the United States, Canada, the Cayman Islands, and the United Kingdom and beginning this year in Dublin. Since inception, the charity has made more than 900 grants worth over \$30 million. Hedge Funds Care is largely a volunteer-driven organization, with professionals from the hedge fund industry serving on the Board and on local committees that plan events and evaluate grant proposals. The organization has a small staff based in New York City.

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