



## Southern California Hedge Funds Stand Up for Abused and Neglected Children at 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Benefit for Hedge Funds Care

### Hedge Fund Industry-Supported Charity Will Hold Los Angeles Gala September 15<sup>th</sup>

LOS ANGELES – September 12, 2011 – The Hedge Funds Care Los Angeles Committee of Hearts will unite Southern California hedge fund managers and other alternative investment industry members in support of Hedge Funds Care, a global non-profit organization that works to prevent and treat child abuse. The *4<sup>th</sup> Annual Southern California Open Your Heart to the Children Benefit* will be held between 4:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. on September 15, 2011 at The Beverly Wilshire Hotel (9500 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, CA 90212) and will include an evening of cocktails, dinner, guest speakers, and a silent auction.

“With the support of the Southern California alternative investment industry, we hope the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Southern California Benefit will be our most successful. Our colleagues in the financial services industry take their role in this unique charity seriously and look forward to this opportunity to raise funds that make a difference in the lives of disadvantaged children,” said Matt Anderson, chair of the Benefit and Principal at Rothstein Kass. “Hedge Funds Care has been steadfast in pursuing its vital mission since the charity was founded--working to raise and invest funds for the most effective programs to prevent and treat child abuse and neglect,” Matt explained.

The West Coast became the second region to join Hedge Funds Care in 2001. Over the past nine years, the West Coast has established a strong local industry presence, thanks in large part to founders Stephan Vermut and Alison Sanger. In 2007, HFC West Coast branched out from San Francisco, adding a committee dedicated to prevention and treatment of child abuse in the greater Los Angeles area under the leadership of LA founder Mason Snyder. Since inception, HFC West Coast has distributed over \$6.1 million through 150 grants to incredible community organizations dedicated to the prevention and treatment of child abuse. With the ongoing commitment of hedge fund industry professionals and investors, Hedge Funds Care looks forward to continuing to support existing grantees while also expanding support to new programs.

A limited number of tickets and sponsorships are available. Please click [here](#) for further information.

#### About Hedge Funds Care

Hedge Funds Care 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 raises money, primarily through events, and awards grants in 12 major cities in the United States, Canada, the Cayman Islands, and the United Kingdom. Approximately 30 events are held annually. Hedge Funds Care’s grantees service children of all ages and span the entire spectrum from preventive and educational services for at-risk families to forensic interviews and treatment of children who have already experienced abuse. It generally funds small, community-based organizations, where small grants can have a profound impact. Since inception, Hedge Funds Care has awarded 800 grants totaling \$29 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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