



California Hedge Funds to Support Child Abuse Prevention at 2nd Annual West Coast Committee of Hope Poker Tournament

Charity Poker Event Will Be Held Wednesday, January 25th at The City Club of San Francisco

NEW YORK – January 12, 2012 – Hedge Funds Care, a financial services industry-supported charity dedicated to preventing and treating child abuse, today announced that it would be holding the 2nd Annual West Coast Committee of Hope Poker tournament. Proceeds from the event will go to support child abuse prevention and treatment programs in the San Francisco Bay area. The event, sponsored by Battea Class Action Services and Ernst and Young, will be held on January 25th at 4:30pm PST at The City Club of San Francisco (155 Sansome Street, San Francisco, CA). Hedge fund industry participants who attend will enjoy an open bar, hors d'oeuvres and networking.

“This event has really grown in size and reputation over the last year and we expect to easily surpass last year’s fundraising achievements,” said Alicia Gavello, Fund Accountant at Partner Fund Management and the chair for this year’s benefit. “Programs that help treat child abuse are still badly underfunded and this is the California hedge fund industry’s chance to stand up and make a difference,” she added.

Since their inception, the West Coast Committee of Hope and Committee of Hearts have raised a combined \$6.1 million and distributed 150 grants to Californian child abuse and prevention programs. Poker player tickets are SOLD OUT but sponsorships and tickets for spectators are still available. For more information, please click here: <http://www.hedgefundscare.org/event.asp?eventID=61>

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 more than 820 grants totaling almost \$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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