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WHW Employment Breakfast Provides a Great Start to the Day! Attendees gather to support the organization's Employment Success Program

Huntington Beach, CA (October 12, 2012) – Over 160 community-minded individuals got an early start to their day by gathering at the Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach Resort and Spa for WHW's (Women Helping Women/Men2Work) inaugural Employment Breakfast. The hosted event provided attendees with the opportunity to learn more about WHW's Employment Success Program, which for nearly 20 years, has empowered over 30,000 Orange County disadvantaged men, women and teens to achieve economic self-sufficiency.

The breakfast convened with a spirited address by Certified Speaking Professional, Terri Langhans of Blah, Blah, Blah, Etc. Her topic entitled, "Batteries Not Included: Real World Ways To Be and Do Your Best on a Daily Basis," resonated with the crowd of successful business professionals.

Terri's talk was punctuated by a 7-minute video presentation that followed the employment journey of two WHW clients and the impact the program has had on their lives. (<http://youtu.be/1by99BhQwNo>). The audience was then introduced to a WHW Client who shared her personal story of triumph and employment success as a participant of WHW's program.

Motivated attendees were moved to join WHW in supporting future journeys to economic self-sufficiency, and did so by donating \$15,000 in 15 minutes. The room was quickly converted to a sea of yellow, as enthusiastic donors received a bright yellow feather boa in recognition of his or her support. By 9am, attendees were thanked, and on their way. Their gifts served as seeds of hope for those looking to shape their own professional success.



Breakfast Attendees: Joanne DeJesus, Mark Gundlach, Katie Burton and Laurie Ellen Park

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About WHW (Women Helping Women/Men2Work). WHW is a 501(c)(3) whose mission is to provide comprehensive employment support services to empower disadvantaged men, women and teens to achieve economic self sufficiency through employment success and who has served over 30,000 clients since 1993. WHW's Employment Success Program includes resume and interviewing skills, workshops, computer classes, job placement, image consulting, professional clothing appropriate for interviews and transportation services. Supported by United Way, WHW's services are always at no charge or obligation to clients and referring non-profit partners. For more information on WHW and its Employment Success Program, go to www.whw.org. **WHW will celebrate 20 years of local community service and support in June of 2013. We look forward to thanking you, for your role in shaping this success by telling our story.**

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