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UPS and Boeing Honored for Corporate Volunteerism

Santa Ana, California (February 19, 2013) – On Wednesday, February 6th, UPS and Boeing, along with two community volunteers were honored for their volunteerism at WHW's Annual Volunteer Appreciation Party held at Scott's Seafood Restaurant in Costa Mesa.

UPS' substantial collaboration through varied volunteer projects has made a lasting impact for the clients of WHW since 2007. UPS' expertise with operations has made them a critical component of the WHW's Quarterly Saturday Sales and Annual Belle of the Ball. UPS team members at all levels, including top level executives, spent their time hanging up over 2,500 articles of clothing. An endeavor that normally takes over 6 hours to complete was finished by UPS in just 35 minutes! Their expertise of person power is also highlighted with their support of the transportation of over 10,000 prom dresses for WHW's Annual Belle of the Ball. More than 10 drivers each year bring their UPS truck, fill them with racks of brightly colored dresses and transport them safely to the event location. No other company would be able to volunteer their time or expertise in this capacity.



WHW COO, Brateil Aghasi and UPS Division Manager, Trina Norman - Photo by: Trina Fleming, WHW



Boeing Employees, Carol Hanelberg and Sylvia Wickham – Photo by: Trina Fleming, WHW

Boeing corporate volunteerism has also allowed the clients of WHW to soar since 2007. Boeing team members from Finance, Engineering and Human Resources have all lent their talents in the preparation of WHW clients for their job search with mock interview sessions and personal shopping, essential activities to the job readiness and motivation of job seekers. The Boeing team has also supported fundraising efforts through their involvement with WHW's Quarterly Saturday Sales as well as naming WHW an award recipient of the 2010 Crystal Vision Awards which granted substantial funding for the expansion of job readiness workshops, reaching over 1,000 disadvantaged job seekers last year. Boeing has also hosted the largest,

most successful clothing drive spanning over 3 counties and contributing over 28,000 articles of clothing and accessories making this Boeing's sixth year as the largest clothing donor at WHW.

Community Volunteers, Ann Harmer and Marion Whitson were also honored. Ann Harmer, a retired professor of the Sciences at Orange Coast College and a WHW volunteer since 2008, provides biweekly taped mock interviews. Marion Whitson, of Dolphin Hair Design Too in Costa Mesa, has provided free haircuts to WHW clients for 8 years. Both community volunteers provide critical services that help disadvantaged and low income job seekers be prepared for success.

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 20 year 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 over 1000 volunteers and 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.

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