



**Unity Care Group, Inc.**  
"Creating Healthier Communities"

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## **SAP Volunteers Roll-Up Their Sleeves to Beautify Foster Homes**

**San Jose, Calif., (October 26, 2011)** This Friday, thirty-five local SAP staff members and friends are dedicating their day to beautify three foster homes operated by Unity Care of San Jose, CA. The volunteers will take a day off from their usual duties to roll-up their sleeves and help clean and paint each residential home. This project is just one of 154 community service projects occurring across the United States during SAP's annual Month of Service.

Each of the residential homes provides a safe, secure, positive group-home living environment and an array of supportive counseling and care services for youth ages 11 to 18, who come from backgrounds of neglect, abuse, and abandonment. Unfortunately, in these difficult economic times when government funding is not available to make critical home improvements, Unity Care – like other non-profits – increasingly relies on local organizations and individual volunteers to provide much needed in-kind support.

André Chapman, President and CEO of Unity Care said, "I cannot thank SAP and their volunteers enough for helping to make a positive and meaningful difference in the lives of our foster youth. The company and these individuals provide a great example of how each and every one of us can impact our community-by getting involved in a foster child's life through financial donations or volunteering your time and energy."

Mark Yolton, Senior Vice President of SAP Marketing who led the volunteer effort for SAP, said, "It's important to SAP as a global company with a significant presence in Silicon Valley, and to every one of the individual volunteers, to give back to our local community. No one was compelled to spend the day painting and cleaning; everyone leapt at the chance to contribute back through their efforts. In fact, we had to add extra homes to our original plan. We actually turned away a waiting list of people who wanted to participate – that's how passionately the individuals wanted to help these under-served kids."

The thirty-five SAP employee volunteers represent a variety of departments from SAP's Palo Alto, CA campus, as well as friends and family who jumped at the opportunity to "give back." Meanwhile, other SAP employee volunteer teams across the San Francisco Bay Area and the U.S. are renovating homes, cleaning local parks and beaches, building playgrounds, and donating time to food banks and teacher resource labs.

SAP's Month of Service is celebrating its second year globally and its 7<sup>th</sup> year in the U.S. Volunteering is one of the primary ways that the corporation makes positive social impact by encouraging their entire workforce to get out and volunteer in their local communities. In 2011, the goal is to activate 100,000 hours of volunteering worldwide.

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### **ABOUT UNITY CARE GROUP**

Founded in 1992, Unity Care Group, Inc. is a community-based non-profit multi-service youth and family development agency. Founded with the goal of developing educational and social programs to enrich the lives of at-risk youth, our mission is to provide quality youth and family programs for the purpose of creating healthier communities through lifelong partnerships. For more information contact Linda Vu, Communications and Development Specialist, at (408) 510-3480, or via email at [lvu@unitycare.org](mailto:lvu@unitycare.org) or visit [www.unitycare.org](http://www.unitycare.org)

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