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Local United Ways to Expand Programs with Dell Foundation Grant

AUSTIN, Texas – Dec. 7, 2010 – United Way Capital Area and United Way Williamson County will be able to offer more programs focusing on education, income and health thanks to one-time grants totaling \$250K from the Dell Foundation.

United Way Capital Area will use the \$150K grant for its Success By 6 program whose goal is to ensure every child enters kindergarten ready to learn. The program works to improve the quality of childcare serving low-income children, and educate parents on ways to support their children's development. The \$100K grant to United Way of Williamson County will focus on increasing mentors across the county, as well as provide additional funding for community investment grants.

"United Way's vision is to change the lives of those in our community for the better," said Debbie Bresette, President of United Way Capital Area. "The Dell Foundation grants will go a long way toward supporting programs that address the most pressing issues in our community."

LeAnn Powers, Chief Professional Officer at United Way of Williamson County agreed. "We are grateful for the generosity of the Dell Foundation. Through partnerships like this we can do so much more to make an impact in our communities."

United Way is in the business of building healthy, educated and prosperous communities by bringing together powerful drivers of social change. As a trusted non-profit organization with a long history of philanthropy, United Way brings together partners who offer the expertise, knowledge, resources and tools for change.

"The Dell Foundation and United Way share a common purpose: to address community needs so people can reach their full potential," said Trisa Thompson, vice president of Dell Corporate Responsibility and chairman of the Dell Foundation. "We see this additional support as a long-term investment in our shared mission with this impactful organization."

The United Way grants are part of several special grants totaling \$2.5 million recently awarded by the Dell Foundation. Grant recipients are in key Dell U.S. communities and address education and health and human services needs for children and families.

About the Dell Foundation

The Dell Foundation, the corporate grant-making foundation of Dell, awards grants to 501(c)3 organizations located in or serving communities where Dell employees work and live. The foundation is focused solely on supporting children's issues, particularly in the areas of education, digital literacy and health and human services.

About United Way Capital Area

United Way Capital Area is working hard to advance the common good by focusing on three key areas: education, financial stability and health – the building blocks for a good life. UWCA works to create measurable change that prevent problems from happening in the first place and that empowers people to improve the quality of life for themselves and others. Our vision for Central Texas is a community where all individuals and families achieve their human potential through education, income and healthy lives. For more information, please visit www.unitedwaycapitalarea.org.

About United Way of Williamson County

United Way of Williamson County is a volunteer driven, community-based, nonprofit organization with a goal to focus and unite the community to create significant lasting change that positively impacts people's lives, specifically in the areas of education, income and health. To learn more about the LIVE UNITED goals and mission of United Way of Williamson County visit www.unitedway-wc.org or call 512.255.6799.

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