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THE PERRIN FAMILY FOUNDATION AWARDS \$10,000 TO CHILD GUIDANCE CENTER

STAMFORD, CT/October 16, 2008 – The Child Guidance Center of Southern Connecticut (CGC), a non-profit mental health resource serving children, teenagers and their families, has received a \$10,000 donation from the Perrin Family Foundation. This donation will support the agency's Child, Adolescent and Family Therapy Program.

The cornerstone of the Child Guidance Center for more than 50 years, the Child, Adolescent and Family Therapy Program utilizes a multidisciplinary team approach to provide a broad range of mental health assessments and treatment services tailored to meet the individual needs of children and families referred under non-emergency circumstances. Treatment services include individual, group, or family therapy, parent guidance and play therapy, or medications as needed.

Founded in 1994, the mission of the Perrin Family Foundation is to encourage and support equal opportunities for children and young adults to lead safe, productive and creative lives. The Foundation, based in Ridgefield, focuses on social change by providing grants to non-profit organizations seeking to make a difference through adult advocacy and youth engagement within the state of Connecticut. Additionally, it supports social services by working with agencies that provide physical and mental health services for children; after-school programming; parenting and mentoring programs; expansion of literacy; creation of artistic experiences; and the promotion of environmental education. For additional information, please view the website at www.perrinfamilyfoundation.org.

The Child Guidance Center of Southern Connecticut is a non-profit mental health resource, serving children and teenagers in Stamford, Greenwich, Darien and New Canaan, both

self referred and through referrals from schools, courts, human service agencies, and physicians. The CGC's clinical staff of psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, and marriage and family therapists work with more than 2,100 children annually, providing culturally competent and sensitive care to families representative of the rich ethnic mix of communities CGC serves. Preventative services are provided to youngsters, parents, and professionals through public education and consultation programs. Incorporated in 1954, the CGC is supported by the Connecticut Department of Children & Families, Connecticut Office of Victim Crime Service and United Ways of Western Connecticut, Greenwich, and New Canaan, The Community Fund of Darien as well as generous individual, foundation, and corporate contributions.

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