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CHILD GUIDANCE CENTER RECEIVES \$15,000 FROM THE WAL-MART FOUNDATION

STAMFORD, CT/April 13, 2009 – The Child Guidance Center of Southern Connecticut (CGC), a non-profit agency providing professional mental health services to children, adolescents, and their families, has received a \$15,000 grant from the Wal-Mart Foundation State Giving Program. The Program seeks to support organizations with programs that align with the Wal-Mart Foundation’s mission to create opportunities so people can live better.

The grant will provide support for CGC’s mental health treatment services. CGC helps more than 2,100 children and adolescents each year who experience mental health problems that interfere with daily functioning and threaten long term development.

“We are truly grateful for the tremendous support of the Wal-Mart Foundation. Through the Wal-Mart Foundation’s generosity, CGC will continue to provide effective services and sensitive care to families within our community. During these economic times, such services are critical for the well being of our local children, families, and community,” said CGC Executive Director Sherry Perlstein.

The Wal-Mart Foundation strives to provide opportunities that improve the lives of individuals in communities including its customers and associates. Through financial contributions, in-kind donations and volunteerism, the Wal-Mart Foundation supports initiatives focused on enhancing opportunities in its four main focus areas: Education, Workforce Development / Economic Opportunity, Environmental Sustainability, and Health and Wellness. The Wal-Mart Foundation has a particular interest in supporting the following populations: veterans and military families, traditionally underserved groups, individuals with disabilities and

people impacted by natural disasters. To learn more about the Wal-Mart Foundation, visit <http://walmartstores.com/CommunityGiving/203.aspx>.

“Wal-Mart is committed to being a good neighbor and valuable member of the communities we serve,” said Steven V. Restivo, Wal-Mart’s Director of Corporate Affairs – Northeast Region. “The Child Guidance Center makes an enormous difference in the lives of thousands of young people each year. We are proud to be in a position to support an organization that is dedicated to making people’s lives better.”

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. 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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