



Everychild Grants Total Over \$2.5 Million with 2005 Grant to HillSides

On March 3, 2005, the Everychild Foundation presented its fifth annual grant to HillSides, a Pasadena-based residential and community treatment center for troubled children. Since its inception in 1913, HillSides has been committed to creating safe places for children suffering from abuse and neglect. The \$715,000 grant from Everychild is being used to purchase an apartment building in Pasadena, with 25% of the units set aside for HillSides' Youth Moving On program, providing transitional living, support services and life skills training for an estimated 28 emancipated foster youth per year. The remaining 75% of the apartments will be rented to the community at fair market value, with the income used to service the purchase loan and the down-payment for a second such building purchase.

For several years, Everychild members have been looking for an opportunity to address the critical needs of emancipating foster youth, who lose their eligibility for government-funded housing and programs when they turn 18. With few exceptions, youth emancipating from the foster care system have no family to turn to or financial support to rely on, yet they are faced with the same challenges and responsibilities as the general population of youth entering adulthood. Within three years of emancipation, 40% of emancipated youth are homeless or incarcerated; only 10% are able to hold a job for more than a year.

However, studies also show that these same youth can flourish if provided a safe, stable and caring group living situation where they are guided, supported and motivated in their journey toward successful independence. The HillSides project – the first of its kind in Los Angeles County – is an innovative, cost-effective approach to providing

much-needed wraparound services for this high-risk teen population. Services provided by Youth Moving On include resident advisors, a mentorship program, an independent living program, health and mental health services, case management, and individualized transition planning.

The grant was presented to John Hitchcock, HillSides Executive Director, at the annual Everychild luncheon at the Regency Club on March 3, 2005. Everychild members arrived for the event with housewares, small appliances, linens, and other items to help furnish the Youth Moving On apartments for their first tenants. HillSides is now hard at work refurbishing apartments in the YMO complex, and on April 18, Youth Moving On welcomed its first tenants, two boys from HillSides' residential facility, along with a resident advisor.

Once this groundbreaking program is fully launched, HillSides is committed to sharing the Youth Moving On approach to transitional living with other foster care organizations interested in replicating the HillSides model. With this grant, Everychild Foundation hopes to contribute to a larger systemic change in the future prospects of emancipating foster youth, giving them the chance they deserve to become self-sufficient, responsible, caring adults.

The impact of this grant is best summed up by Jacob, one of the new residents at the Youth Moving On complex: "Being able to be a part of YMO will keep me from becoming a statistic, because I feel that as a man leaving foster care the cards are stacked against me. The Everychild Foundation is giving me a chance to make a success out of my life."

For more information about HillSides, please visit www.hillsides.org.

The Everychild grant is being used to purchase this Pasadena apartment building, eventual home to 28 emancipated foster youth.



The Everychild Foundation Youth Learning Center will address the special needs of severely disturbed adolescents. The building will be dedicated on September 8, 2005.

2004 Grant Update: Youth Learning Center Nears Completion at Optimist

In the short year since Optimist Youth Homes and Family Services became the recipient of the \$630,000 Everychild grant for 2004, they have wasted no time in making The Everychild Foundation Youth Learning Center a reality. The groundbreaking for the Center in Highland Park was held on November 24, 2004, and the project reached a major milestone last month with an on-site topping-off celebration on April 13, 2005.

Once completed, the \$5 million Center will house academic and vocational training programs tailored to the special needs of the severely disturbed adolescents that Optimist serves. The building, over 21,000 square feet in size, will contain classrooms, art, music and computer workshops, a library, a conference room, and space for mental health therapy and vocational training.

"We are extremely grateful to the Everychild Foundation, which has played a major role in making this dream a reality," says Sil Orlando, Executive Director of Optimist Youth Homes and Family Services. "This facility is a monumental development for the hundreds of youth and families we serve every year and who depend on us to provide them the best possible care."

Dedication of the completed Everychild Foundation Youth Learning Center is slated for September 8. Mark your calendars, and plan on being at Optimist's Highland Park campus for the celebration!

For more information about Optimist Youth Homes and Family Services, please visit www.oyhfs.org.



The Everychild CVC offers the only 24-hour program for abused children in Los Angeles. Above, one of the center's therapy rooms and a play yard mural.

2003 Grant Update: VIP Expands Programs in Center for the Vulnerable Child

With the Everychild grant of \$600,000 in 2003, the Violence Intervention Program (VIP) was able to renovate a 70-year-old building and significantly increase the services it provides to children impacted by violence in our city. The Everychild Center for the Vulnerable Child (CVC) now examines over 3,000 abused children a year; it is the only program available 24 hours a day to law enforcement, social services and parents.

The renovated Center has now been open for eighteen months, and the increased capacity it provides has also helped VIP expand its programs in key areas:

In the spring of 2004, using a \$1 million grant from Proposition 10 – First Five LA, VIP established the Community-Based Assessment and Treatment Center, a pilot program for emergency foster care for all of Los Angeles County. Performing over 600 new emergency foster care assessments per year, the Center is currently the only site working with three local hospitals (Harbor Medical, Olive View and Martin Luther King) to provide emergency services to the county's foster children. Currently, VIP is raising funds to move the Center into its own building near the CVC, where comprehensive assessment, medical, and mental health services will all be available to foster children and families under one roof. Because foster children are entitled to Medi-Cal funds, the clinic will be self-sustaining. Eventually, VIP hopes to replicate its model for emergency foster care in other parts of Los Angeles County and beyond.

In February 2005, VIP celebrated the opening of a new state-of-the-art educational center within the CVC for children and their families, containing six computers loaded with educational software and a library of children's books. The center also houses VIP's mentoring and tutoring program, part of the wraparound services VIP provides to victims of violence. Begun in 2000 with a handful of volunteers from the USC Keck School of Medicine, the program has now expanded to include 35 tutors, who meet weekly with children at VIP, and 75 mentors, who make a one-year commitment to a child, including weekly calls and outings twice a month. Known as the Sanders Family Foundation Education Center, the facility was named in recognition of a generous lead gift from Everychild member Tawny Sanders and her husband, Jerry.

For more information about the Violence Intervention Program, please visit www.violenceinterventionprogram.org.

From \$230,000 to \$2.5 Million in Grants in Under Five Years: Everychild Celebrates Accomplishments at Annual Luncheon

When Everychild members met for their annual luncheon in March, they had special cause for celebration. At our inaugural luncheon in 2001, Everychild awarded its first grant for \$230,000 to QueensCare for their mobile dental clinic. With this year's \$715,000 grant to Hillside, Everychild grants now total over \$2.5 million – over ten times the amount of our first grant. In less than five years' time, we have reached a truly remarkable milestone in giving.

From the initial cadre of 56 founding members who made the dream of Everychild a reality, we've grown to a group of 190 women, and counting. Everychild is

now approaching its goal of a \$1 million annual grant – and our limit of 220 members. Once membership is closed, new members will be admitted only if spaces become available.

The members of Everychild urge all interested women to join us now, while there are still spaces open. Listening to speaker after speaker at this year's luncheon talk about the children whose lives we've touched, it was clear to all of us that membership in the Everychild Foundation is a gift we give ourselves – the gift of knowing that together, we've really made a difference.



Everychild presents Hillside with a \$715,000 grant at the annual luncheon in March.

THE 2004 GRANT TEAM

In less than five years, the Everychild Foundation's grant selection process has become the gold standard for grantmaking in Los Angeles because of our unparalleled meticulousness and thoroughness. Much of the credit for this achievement goes to the dedicated group of volunteers who work throughout the year to screen grant candidates and monitor grant recipients. The Everychild Foundation salutes the work of these two committees for 2004:

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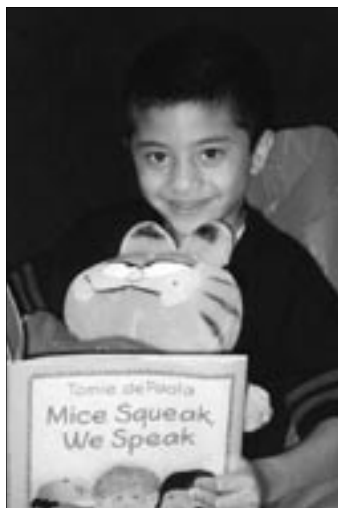
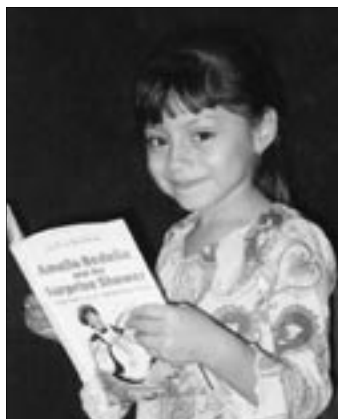
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Also, special gratitude once again to **Laura Donnelley-Morton** and **the Good Works Foundation**, for providing their beautiful facility for our annual grant hearing.



Everychild's grant provides for renovation, restocking, and training for 15 libraries at LAUSD elementary schools.

2002 Grant Update: Final Wonder of Reading Libraries To Be Completed in 2005

In the three years since our grant to the Wonder of Reading, the list of Everychild-funded libraries in Los Angeles has continued to grow, with another three new libraries opening in the past year. The Everychild grant has now renovated, restocked, and trained volunteers for a total of 12 libraries at LAUSD elementary schools in some of the city's poorest neighborhoods. To date, over 20,000 children and their families have been served.

Over the next few months, the final three Everychild libraries will be completed and dedicated at the following schools:

Gledhill Street Elementary, North Hills: With a student population of 589 students, over 70% of Hispanic descent, the school currently offers Family Literacy Nights and is working on a program for parents to increase literacy by using the new library in the evenings. With increased access, parents will be able to encourage their children to read more and help them with research projects.

Russell Elementary School, East Los Angeles: Russell has 1,345 students, 86% of Hispanic descent. Currently, the school coordinates student read-ins and read-a-thons, and observes National Library Week by inviting guest readers to share stories over the school PA system. With their new library, the school is looking forward to sponsoring family literacy activities, such as story hours for pre-K and kindergarten children and a student-authored book fair. A library service club will also be implemented, giving students in the upper grades an opportunity to teach library skills to younger students.

Loma Vista Elementary School, Maywood: Loma Vista's student body of 1,409 is 99% Hispanic. Due to state budget shortfalls, the Maywood Public Library is in danger of closure; the school's new library may well become the only local library for the Maywood community. The school's active library leadership team has plans for a student book club, family literacy nights, author nights, a "read to me and I'll read to you" program, and cross-age programs. In addition, through an Arts Prototype grant, a theatre club, poetry and speech club, and performance theatre will be offered.

These schools provide just three examples of the many ways in which a Wonder of Reading library can enrich not just a school but an entire community. Multiply this by over 100 libraries, and you begin to see the tremendous positive impact the Wonder of Reading is having on children and families in Los Angeles. The Everychild Foundation is proud to have partnered with Wonder of Reading in making a difference in our city. And for those of you who have never attended a library opening, it's still not too late to join one of these wonderful celebrations. Check the newsletter Calendar for the dates of our final three openings.

For more information about the Wonder of Reading, please visit www.wonderofreading.org.

2001 Grant Update: QueensCare Acquires Fourth Mobile Dental Clinic

The Everychild Foundation is proud of the continuing impact of our first grant to QueensCare for a mobile dental van serving LAUSD inner city elementary schools. In the four years since the Everychild grant inaugurated the QueensCare Mobile Dental Program in Los Angeles, the mobile clinic has treated over 4,300 second and third graders and has provided over 53,000 procedures. The Program provides the children with comprehensive care including examinations, x-rays, preventive procedures (cleaning, sealants, fluoride, and space maintainers), restorative procedures (fillings, crowns and root canals), and extractions when all else fails. The Program also provides oral hygiene instruction and a dental hygiene kit (toothbrush, toothpaste and floss) to the entire K-5 student body in each school it visits – over 12,000 students to date.

In addition, the service capacity of the Mobile Dental Program continues to grow each year, with a second dental van provided by USC and a third van funded by the Ahmanson and Weingart Foundations. In late December, 2004, the Program received its newest dental van from the Keck Foundation, bringing the total number of dental vans to four.

For more information about QueensCare, please visit www.queenscare.org.



The Mobile Dental Program has served 12,000 children at inner-city schools.

Engaging Inner-City Students in Education: A Salon with Paul Cummins

The name Paul Cummins comes up often in conversations about educational programs for disadvantaged children in Los Angeles. An innovator in the field of education for over 30 years, Paul Cummins has focused on creating educational opportunities for all children, regardless of learning style, ethnicity, or economics. Cummins has founded two private schools (Crossroads and New Roads), joint ventured in creating four charter school campuses, developed an arts program for low-income schools (PSArts), and written extensively on the state of education in this country. He is currently Executive Director of the New Visions Foundation, where he is working on building an integrated, interactive, inclusive educational village in Santa Monica.



Paul Cummins

In November, Dr. Cummins joined a group of Everychild members and guests at the home of Cynthia and Neil Alexander to explore the question of how to engage inner-city students in their own education and lower the massive drop-out rate – as high as 50% in some inner-city schools. Dr. Cummins spoke of “the two Americas” – one rich, the other poor – and shared these statistics: In many elementary schools, there is one counselor for 1000 students. In LAUSD schools, where the overall student population is only 10% white, segregation has actually increased in recent years. At Manual Arts High School, out of 1800 entering freshmen, 900 leave before graduating, and only 30 graduates go on to college.

Dr. Cummins suggests that it is vital to engage all students in their own education by involving them in subject matter and activities they find meaningful. Declaring that “engagement and meaning are the twin pillars of a successful education,” he claims that students are not bored or disinterested when their teachers address topics that relate to the world they live in, such as juvenile delinquency, homelessness, or the environment. Further, Dr. Cummins discounts the importance of testing, stating that “an absorbed student will become self-accountable by virtue of involvement with the subject at hand, which no amount of testing can dictate.” Students are engaged when they are encouraged to ask real questions and search for real answers; they are empowered by discovering what they can do to make their world better.

Essential to Cummins’ educational vision are teachers with a passion for their subject matter and an ability to relate to their students – and teacher salaries consistent with the importance of their role in society. Like many societal ills, educational problems often become funding problems. At a time when budget deficits are causing statewide funding cuts for education, Cummins believes we can’t leave our children’s future in the hands of government; private foundations like Everychild must get involved. The challenges we face in repairing our educational system are daunting, but the human price we pay for leaving it broken is incalculable.

Dr. Jonathan Fielding Presents Critical Choices for Helping Low-Income Children



Dr. Jonathan Fielding

On the evening of June 3, 2004, Everychild members and their guests met at the home of Liz and Greg Craig to explore critical issues affecting the lives of many low-income children in Los Angeles today. Speaking with the group was Dr. Jonathan Fielding, Director of Public Health for Los Angeles County, who is responsible for all public health functions including disease prevention, health protection and health promotion for the county’s over 10 million residents. Currently a member of the city’s First 5 LA Commission (responsible for allocating tobacco tax dollars to improve health, development and school readiness of children

aged 0-5 in Los Angeles), Dr. Fielding has valuable expertise to share with the group regarding key opportunities for improving the lives of local children and critical factors to consider in making funding choices.

Dr. Fielding illuminated several critical areas for impact on the lives of children in Los Angeles:

Literacy: 50% of the parents of children in Los Angeles don’t speak English at home – and maternal literacy is the single biggest determinant of a child’s literary success.

Childcare: With nearly 70% of women in the workforce, the need for affordable childcare is critical, particularly for low-income families. While First 5 LA has committed \$600 million to developing a universal preschool system, this is only 20% of the funding that’s needed.

Diabetes and Obesity: Obesity is the fastest growing epidemic in Los Angeles County, and concurrently, Type 2 diabetes has increased tenfold in adolescents. Current evidence shows that educating children and their parents doesn’t make a big difference. What’s needed are changes that promote a healthier lifestyle: exercise programs at school, less junk food in vending machines, financial incentives to produce more healthful foods, and places to live and work that promote walking.

In identifying projects to fund, Dr. Fielding suggested that Everychild members ask ourselves, “What are we outraged about?” and then look for key leverage points to address the problems we identify. Do we want to continue to focus on specific groups of children by funding direct services and local capital projects? Or conversely, do we want to consider affecting broad policy changes by funding advocacy for issues such as nutritional labeling, increasing the age for purchasing cigarettes from 18 to 21, or raising the tax on alcohol? Commenting that “giving away money well is one of the hardest things in the world,” Dr. Fielding offered valuable insights and thought-provoking questions for Everychild members to take away from our evening together.

This year’s salons were made possible by the efforts of the 2004 Salon Committee: Mona Andrews, Tracy Esse, Randi Fett, and Toni Stone. Our thanks to them all, and to hosts Liz Craig and Cynthia Alexander, for these enriching evenings.

EVERYCHILD CALENDAR

May 25

Salon with Los Angeles School Board (and Everychild) member Marlene Canter on the childhood obesity and diabetes crisis. At the home of Karin and Jonathan Fielding.

July 8

13th Wonder of Reading library opening – Gledhill Street Elementary, North Hills

July 15

14th Wonder of Reading library opening – Russell Elementary, East Los Angeles

August 12

15th (and final) Wonder of Reading library opening – Loma Vista Elementary, Maywood

September (date to be announced)

Salon with Sherry Lansing, former President of Paramount Motion Pictures, Founder and President of the Sherry Lansing Foundation and Everychild member, on the role of women in philanthropy.

September 8

Dedication of the Everychild Foundation Youth Learning Center at Optimist Youth Homes.

September 11

Fifth Annual Family Day.

October 11

Annual Grant Hearing.

October 26

Everychild Foundation honored at the Optimist Centennial celebration.

November 1

2005 Member Dues and Ballots must be received.

Fourth Annual Family Day Benefits Children Helping Poor and Homeless People (CHPHP)



Everychild children decorate blankets for distribution to homeless children and teens throughout Los Angeles.

On Sunday, October 3, 2004, the fourth annual Everychild Family day was held at home of Tracy and Chris Esse, an afternoon of food and fun for the whole family.

As always, Family Day was not only a chance for Everychild member families to get to know one another better, but also an opportunity to involve our children in a project helping children in Los Angeles. This year, our project benefited Children Helping Poor and Homeless People (CHPHP), a Venice-based organization which provides food, clothing, and other basic necessities to homeless adults and children in surrounding areas. The mission of CHPHP is not only to help the homeless, but also to educate children about the problem of homelessness in our community by involving them in hands-on projects. At Family Day, members and their children decorated hundreds of blankets for distribution through CHPHP to homeless children and teens throughout Los Angeles. In all, about 2500 blankets were donated through the efforts of Everychild. As CHPHP Founder and Director Christine Schanes commented, "With these cool days and cold nights, your blankets could not have come at a better time. And with the wonderful patterns of animals, nature and Native American prints, these blankets are a beautiful gift so happily accepted."

For more information about Children Helping Poor and Homeless People, please visit www.chphp.com.

For putting this wonderful event together, a big thank you goes to this year's Family Day Committee: Wendy Block, Jacqueline Caster, Debra Colbert, Sandra Devereaux, Anna Sanders Eigler, Gina Goldsmith, Terry Hyman Hamermesh, Kymberly Marciano, Sheilah Kitt McKinnon, and Michelle Richman. Special thanks also goes to the Esse family for their hospitality, and to the many generous sponsors who supported this completely underwritten event.

"Everychild Ten" Thrives in Team Prime Time Program



Team Prime Time students work as athletic coaches for children with disabilities.

At our annual Family Day in November, 2003, the Everychild community "adopted" ten students, funding their participation in the Team Prime Time after-school mentoring and enrichment program for at-risk children in local schools. Since that time, Team Prime Time Executive Director Peter Straus has kept us updated on the progress of "The Everychild Ten" learning group at Webster Middle School, and their progress is impressive indeed. From an average cumulative GPA of 2.16 in Fall 2003, the group completed the Fall 2004 term with a cumulative GPA of 3.09 – an overall improvement of almost one full point. In fact, five of the "Everychild Ten" students did raise their GPAs by one point or more in a year's time, and one student went from a GPA of .16 to 2.83 – clear evidence of a young life turned around by this outstanding program.

The Team Prime Time program doesn't just help kids to improve their grades, but also to develop their work habits, social skills and leadership abilities as well. This past year, many of the "Everychild Ten" have become committed participants in a new leadership and coaching program at Prime Time, the Prime Time Games. The program trains Team Prime Time students to work as athletic coaches with children with a broad range of disabilities – physical, emotional, and cognitive -- facilitating their participation in variety of sports. As the culmination of the year's program each May, athletes and their coaches participate in the Prime Time Games. Over 40 athletes participated in this year's Games, double the number who participated in the first annual Games last year.

For the Prime Time students, who struggle to achieve in school, the program provides an opportunity to nurture and teach in an arena where they excel; for the disabled students they coach, it may be the first time in their lives they've been on an athletic field or played a team sport. For everyone, the results are definitely life-changing.

For more information about Team Prime Time, please visit www.teamprimetime.org.



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Shopping Events Raise \$13K for Everychild

The women of Everychild thank **Suzanne Wilson Designs** and **Sergio Rossi** for the wonderful shopping events they sponsored this past year to benefit our Foundation. Patty Penske hosted the Suzanne Wilson event at her beautiful home, along with Everychild members Jenny Belushi, Wendy Block, Jill

Eisenstadt-Chayet, Quinn Ezralow, Elizabeth Stewart, and Suzanne Wilson. Hosts of the Sergio Rossi event, held at the designer's Rodeo Drive boutique, were Jacqueline Caster, Kymberly Marciano, and Cheryl Saban. The combined events netted over \$13,000 for Everychild and brought in many new members!





A Message from Jacqueline Caster

Tissues! Yes, this was the year we finally had them on our tables at the Annual Everychild Luncheon! Every year after we watch the very beautiful Everychild video and hear updates from all our prior year grantees about the effects of our grants, everyone is always in tears (yes, the men too).

It is indeed a very moving and emotional afternoon to hear about the tens of thousands of children we have assisted in less than five years since our inception. Whether it be the abused six-year-old girl receiving essential psychological care to help her mend, or the troubled teen out of juvenile hall being tutored to catch up four grades in school, we know that our grants have truly made a difference and filled critical unmet needs in the community.

This is the beauty of Everychild Foundation and why our model of streamlined giving is being rapidly replicated by other groups. Thank you to all our loyal and generous members and to everyone in the community who has helped us to improve the lives of so many children in Los Angeles! Your dedication has made countless dreams come true and alleviated suffering in the most vulnerable segment of our community.

Warmest regards,
Jacqueline Caster
Founder and President

Joining the Everychild Foundation

The Everychild Foundation provides a unique opportunity for women in Los Angeles to give back to the children of our community in an immediate, efficient way. We are creating a group of pioneering women who:

- Share our passion for improving children's lives in our community
- Are ready to commit \$5,000 annually to a project with tangible results
- Want to partner with other women to make a significant difference without a major time commitment.

Where will your money go? Each year, the Foundation makes a single grant in support of a project that will profoundly help local children facing disease, abuse, neglect, poverty, or disability. The grant recipient is chosen by a vote of the entire Foundation membership from a roster of carefully screened candidate projects. Grants are funded entirely from members' dues.

Foundation funds are used to improve the lives of children. We have no large overhead, staff salaries, or rent. No fundraising events or silent auctions are planned. We don't solicit money from your friends or business contacts for auction items or dinner tickets.

We focus on projects where we can have maximum impact within a short time frame. We look for "dream projects," where our money will enable a powerful idea to take hold and grow. We favor programs that encourage us to "act locally and think globally," where funding a pilot project in Los Angeles can provide a springboard for wider use.

If you would like to join the Everychild Foundation, please complete and return the Commitment Form included with this newsletter. For any further information, please contact us:

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Profile

Mark Sackett
Advisory Board Member

Advisory Board Member Mark Sackett has been a great Asset to the Everychild Foundation from its inception. An old friend and high school classmate of founder Jacqueline Caster, Sackett immediately was drawn to Everychild's innovative way of giving. Tired of benefit dinners where only a fraction of the proceeds were passed along to those in need, he saw in the Everychild concept the potential for establishing a "new paradigm for how giving can happen." He immediately became involved, generously donating his time and expertise as an award-winning designer/director and producer to create the Everychild logo and identity.

Sackett is the Founder, President and Creative Director of Sackett Design, a highly regarded, award-winning design, branding, multimedia, product development, and marketing communications company headquartered in San Francisco with offices in Los Angeles and New York. In addition, the firm's subsidiaries include Fit and Famous Magazine, Articulation Films, Republic of Sound recording label, Etling Press publishing division, Stage 24 Productions event production division, and Brainfood Creative Programs, a corporate creativity training program for in-house marketing and creative departments. Sackett Design clients have included Disney, Warner Bros, Sprint, Levi Strauss and Co., Paramount, Universal, Charles Schwab and Estee Lauder, to name a few.

Sackett believes strongly in giving back to the communities in which his firm does business. Each year, Sackett Design donates a whopping 20-30% of their time toward pro bono projects benefiting causes and organizations that would otherwise be unable to afford their services. Beneficiaries of these services have

included many organizations helping children in the San Francisco Bay Area, including Northern Light School, Little Brothers Friends of the Elderly, Under One Roof, and Creativity Explored. In Los Angeles, he supports Art of Elysium, a non-profit that takes artists, musicians and entertainers into hospitals to perform for terminally ill children.

Coupled with his broad creative expertise, Sackett's extensive experience serving the non-profit sector makes him doubly valuable as an Everychild advisor. Sackett was a founding member of Young Imaginations, a Bay Area program which takes music, dance, and visual arts into elementary schools and trains teachers in arts instruction. He was a founding board member of Firefighters in the Schools, a fire and disaster safety training program for schoolchildren taught by off-duty firefighters. Sackett also served for seven years as Board President of the AIDS/HIV Life Center, a \$6 million AIDS services center in San Francisco.

"I am a part of The Everychild foundation for two reasons," Sackett says. "First to help the children who so many others don't see, and second to help functionally change the way charitable giving happens. No more event committees, no wasted dollars on bad chicken dinners and the satisfaction of knowing that all of our money goes right back to the children most in need! It's a concept that should be franchised across the non-profit sector. Just thinking about the increase in direct service dollars with this model will make your head spin." Sackett's contributions have helped the Everychild Foundation create a new paradigm for philanthropy; we are proud to have his support as we continue to help children in need.



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Mattel Children's Hospital Launches Group Based on Everychild Model

When Paula Jensik learned about the Everychild Foundation approach to philanthropy at the National Philanthropy Day luncheon last November, she liked what she heard. As Director of Development for Mattel Children's Hospital at UCLA, Ms. Jensik immediately saw the impact that an Everychild-style organization could have at the Hospital. With the guidance of the Everychild board, she quickly set about creating the first structured support group in the Hospital's history: Today's and Tomorrow's Children's Fund.

Closely following the Everychild model, Fund members will donate \$5000 each in annual dues, review potential projects for funding, and vote every year to fund a "dream project" within a Division of the Department of Pediatrics. Throughout the year, Pediatric Division Chiefs at the Hospital will present their research and clinical care programs to the group, who will then choose one program to fund. Gift recipients will provide an annual report showing the impact of the gift. To date, the Fund has recruited ten women as members and hopes to double that number by this fall, in order to make a first gift of \$100,000 in 2005. The group plans to cap their membership at 200 members and a \$1 million annual gift.

Ms. Jensik reports that the new Children's Fund is attracting supporters throughout the Hospital, including the Hospital's Physician-in-Chief and Executive Chair, Dr. Edward McCabe, who is giving his enthusiastic endorsement to the new fundraising approach. The new Fund's members say that the "simplicity and intelligence" of the Everychild model "makes sense in their lives." As for Everychild members, it's tremendously rewarding to see another group of women using our example to help more children in Los Angeles.

For more information about Mattel Children's Hospital at UCLA, please visit www.mattel.ucla.edu.

Everychild Model Inspires Santa Barbara Group

When Santa Barbara resident Carol Palladini read about the Everychild Foundation in an article from the Los Angeles Times, she was excited by the possibility of starting a similar group in her area. Palladini contacted the Foundation to learn about the Everychild model in detail. In the spring of 2004, the Women's Fund of Santa Barbara was launched, with an initial goal of recruiting 40 founding members donating annual dues of \$2500 to fund unmet needs benefiting women, children and families in Santa Barbara.

Nine months later, on January 31, 2005, the Women's Fund presented its first two grants, totaling \$157,000. Coincidentally, the Fund's first grant went to complete a new dental clinic supplying services to the poor and uninsured – much like the first Everychild grant for the QueensCare dental van. As Founding Committee Chair Carol Palladini comments, "Our 2005 membership invitations will soon go out, and we'll be having some coffees in hopes of gaining many new members and growing our fund to \$250,000 this year! The Founding Committee of the Women's Fund of Santa Barbara is so grateful for the wonderful model given us in the work and great success story of the Everychild Foundation."



Everychild Honored as Outstanding Private Foundation in Los Angeles

In recognition of its innovative approach to philanthropy, the Everychild Foundation was selected as the Outstanding Private or Community Foundation in Los Angeles for 2004 by the Association of Fundraising Professionals, a national organization of fundraising executives. The award was presented at the National Philanthropy Day luncheon on November 17, 2004, in Beverly Hills.

Everychild was nominated for this honor by Robert Weiner, former Development Director of 2004 grant recipient Optimist Youth Homes, now Assistant Vice President of Development for Children's Hospital, Los Angeles. The Everychild Foundation was chosen out of a field of over 70 nominees; criteria for nomination and selection include an innovative approach to philanthropy, motivating individuals to take leadership roles in philanthropy and the community, and impact in the community. It is very unusual for such a new foundation to receive the Outstanding Private Foundation award – a tribute to how much Everychild members have achieved in such a short time.

In further recognition of the work of the Everychild Foundation, Founder and President Jacqueline Caster was invited to share the Everychild model of giving with members of the RAND Promising Practices Network at their March dinner meeting. The purpose of the Promising Practices Network is to provide up-to-date, credible information about programs which have proved effective in improving outcomes for children, youth and families, ensuring that investments made on behalf of children and families are grounded on evidence-based analysis.

In addition, Caster was honored this past year for her contributions to the children of Los Angeles by two philanthropic organizations. On June 12, 2004, she received the Humanitarian Award at the First Star "Celebration for Children's Rights", an event co-chaired by Everychild members Wendy Block and Tia Hoberman. Founded in 1999, First Star is a leading national advocate for abused and neglected children. More recently, Caster was also chosen by the Santa Monica YWCA as one of their Women of the Year and honored at their annual dinner on March 24, 2005. All Everychild members can take pride in this recognition of the impact of our Foundation on the lives of local children.