



Kate's Club Receives Nonprofit Impact Award from The Home Depot Foundation

ATLANTA, GA, June 19, 2012 – As part of its sixth annual Building Community Day program, The Home Depot® Foundation has awarded its inaugural Nonprofit Impact Award of \$5,000 to Kate's Club. The donation will be used to fund top quality social and therapeutic programming designed specifically for grieving children and their families.

Through its Building Community Day program, sponsored in partnership with the Georgia Center for Nonprofits, The Home Depot Foundation connects with some of Atlanta's most effective nonprofit organizations, which are focused on building communities through innovative programs and collaborative partnerships that fall outside of the Foundation's usual areas of giving.

In November 2011, The Home Depot Foundation introduced a new component to the program, the Nonprofit Impact Award. This award was established to engage the Building Community Day Alumni in a case study competition that recognizes best practices in the areas of leadership, programming, collaboration and/or innovation within Georgia's nonprofit sector.

"We are thrilled to receive this award and funding from The Home Depot Foundation," said Emily Hawkins, Executive Director of Kate's Club. "This positive recognition and support will assist us as we expand and enhance our core initiatives and serve the Atlanta community."

The winners of this year's awards are:

- CHRIS Kids – Scaled Success Category
- Center for Puppetry Arts – Innovative Process/Model Category
- Kate's Club – Increase Support and Awareness Category
- Atlanta Legal Aid – Collective Action Category

"We feel it is especially important to support local Atlanta nonprofits by sharing with the larger community the exemplary stories of their incredible performance," said Kelly Caffarelli, president of The Home Depot Foundation. "By creating a partnership with Kate's Club and highlighting their best practices within Atlanta's nonprofit sector, we hope to provide a successful model for other nonprofits to replicate."

The winning case studies will be published collectively and will be available on The Home Depot Foundation (www.homedepotfoundation.org) and the Georgia Center for Nonprofits' websites (www.gcn.org).

About Kate's Club

Kate's Club is a non-profit organization that empowers children and teens facing life after the death of a parent or sibling. By creating friendships with kids and young adults that share the experience, Kate's Club guides children through their grief journey in a comfortable, safe, and uplifting setting. For additional information about Kate's Club, visit www.katesclub.org.

About The Home Depot Foundation

In 2011, The Home Depot Foundation committed \$30 million over three years to nonprofit organizations dedicated to improving the homes of economically disadvantaged veterans. Through Team Depot, the company's associate-led volunteer program, thousands of Home Depot associates volunteer their time and talents to positively transform neighborhoods and perform basic repairs and modifications to homes and to the facilities serving veterans with critical housing needs.

Since its formation in 2002, The Home Depot Foundation has granted more than \$300 million to nonprofit organizations improving homes and lives in local communities. To learn more and see our associates in action, visit www.homedepotfoundation.org, follow us on Twitter @homedepotfdn, and like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/homedepotfoundation.

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