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W.H.O. FOUNDATION AWARD 2009 EDUCATION AND LITERACY GRANT TO TEXAS BOYS RANCH

Lubbock, Texas Organization Will Use Funds To Purchase Computers For Their Four Houses

CARROLLTON, TX—The Women Helping Others (W.H.O.) Foundation, created to encourage women to actively support community service, has awarded a \$5,000 Education and Literacy grant to Texas Boys Ranch in Lubbock, Texas.

Texas Boys Ranch was conceived in 1972 by concerned citizens of Lubbock, Texas who wanted to make a difference in the lives of neglected and abused boys of the South Plains area. The first boys were accepted into the first house in 1975. Since that time three other houses have been built. Over 800 boys from 125 communities have been residents at Texas Boys Ranch. In addition to caring for the boys, the staff also works with their troubled families.

The grant will go toward the purchase of four computers, one in each of the four houses on their campus. These computers, and the software that accompanies them, are crucial for the long-term success of these boys. Computers will allow them to have educational opportunities and develop the necessary skills to remain on the same level as their peers. The computers will be used by the 32 boys, ages 4 to 18, who have been removed from their homes due to abuse and neglect.

“Helping abused and neglected children is an amazing way for us to give back to our communities,” said Cindy Turek, W.H.O. executive director. “Texas Boys Ranch is a fantastic home for these boys, and we’re excited that we can help them increase their computer skills and expand their education.”

John Sigle, Texas Boys Ranch executive director, said, “We are honored by the generosity of the W.H.O. Foundation. I’m sure the boys will be excited to have the new equipment. We’re looking forward to helping them advance their educations and stay current with the latest technology.”

BeautiControl Regional Vice President, Brian Dill, will present the \$5,000 check to Texas Boys Ranch on August 21st. The presentation will be made during the 34th Annual Texas Boys Ranch Telethon at the Louise Underwood Center for the Arts from 7 pm to midnight in Lubbock, Texas. Joining Mr. Dill will be many of BeautiControl’s Independent Directors and Consultants. The \$5000 grant will be considered a Lariat Level sponsorship at the event.

The WHO (Women Helping Others) Foundation, established in 1993, is committed to encouraging women everywhere to help others through community service; supporting organizations dedicated to the needs of women, children and families in crisis. Since its inception, the WHO Foundation has granted more than \$3.6 million to other non-profit organizations supporting such issues as teen pregnancy, rape, education, homelessness, drug and alcohol abuse, and domestic violence.

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