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Episcopal Community Services receives grant to support domestic violence prevention, transitional housing

San Diego, California – Episcopal Community Services has received a generous grant of \$5,000 from the TJX Foundation to support the agency’s Julian’s Program for Women & Children. “ECS is honored to be a grant recipient of the TJX Foundation. The Julian’s Program will benefit greatly from this generous gift,” said Lesslie Keller, Executive Director of Episcopal Community Services.

About The TJX Foundation

The TJX Foundation supports qualified, tax-exempt nonprofit organizations that provide services which promote and improve the quality of life for children, women and families in need. TJX prides itself on being a responsive, caring and involved neighbor in the communities where our stores, home offices and distribution centers are located. In 2007, the Company supported over 1,800 nonprofit organizations worldwide through The TJX Foundation and the many community initiatives supported by TJX Associates and the Company’s operating divisions.

About the Julian’s Housing Program for Women & Children

Julian’s Housing Program for Women & Children has provided supportive, transitional housing for women and children escaping the perils of domestic violence for over ten years. More than just a “shelter,” the Program is a place to heal from emotional and physical wounds of abuse while acquiring self-esteem and independence.

Services provided within the Program include: 18–24 months of transitional housing in a safe and confidential location; intensive case management, parenting classes; life skills training; domestic violence prevention education; referrals to substance abuse prevention services; and, partnership with career guidance agencies.

The Program serves women over the age of 18 and their children who are homeless as a result of fleeing domestic violence. Clients are accepted on as-needed basis as space becomes available without regard to culture, language, education, socioeconomic status, or religious perspective.

Three safe and confidential program locations encompass the greater San Diego area: Julian's Anchorage at Gunnarson House, Julian's Sanctuary and Julian's Reunion House.

Episcopal Community Services was founded in 1927 to provide chaplaincy and social services to people confined to hospitals and public institutions. Today, Episcopal Community Services continues to respond to the increasing social services needs of the community and is currently responsible for providing over \$18 million of services in the areas of homelessness, HIV/AIDS, employment, mental health, child care and education, domestic violence and substance abuse. For more information about ECS please call (619) 228-2800 or visit www.ecscalifornia.org.

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