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FICP Raises \$40,000 for Family Violence Prevention Services, Inc.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS – Meeting planners and hospitality partners at the 2011 Financial & Insurance Conference Planners (FICP) Annual Conference donated \$40,000 to Bexar County Texas' Family Violence Prevention Services, Inc. (FVPS). Contributions were raised through the FICP Annual Conference Silent Auction.

For ten years, proceeds from the auction have been donated to a local charity where the Annual Conference is held. This year's event was held at the Grand Hyatt San Antonio. Conference attendees take an active role to make a difference in the communities that support their business by donating and bidding on items.

Family Violence Prevention Services, Inc. was selected by the event's design team members because of the support it offers for victims of domestic violence. In 2010, FVPS served more than 34,000 women and children from Bexar County. In addition to emergency services, the organization makes it possible for victims to attain skills and resources that offer long-term solutions through self-sufficiency. FVPS provides residential and nonresidential programs to include emergency shelter, transitional housing, legal and educational services, substance abuse intervention, legal and therapeutic services linking all other homeless shelters, children's services, batterers' intervention and drug-court liaison programs.

2011 FICP Past-President and Conference Chair Dan Young and Hospitality Partner Advisory Council Chairperson Kathy Fort-Carty presented the donation to charity representative Lupita Castrejon before a crowd of more than 600 conference attendees.

NOTE: Check presentation photo available upon request.

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