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National Charity League Inc. Supports AbilityFirst Long Beach Center

Long Beach CA (June 2014) – AbilityFirst Long Beach Center is proud to have the National Charity League (NCL), a mother-daughter organization active in philanthropic, cultural, leadership and educational activities as one of their long-time supporters for the past 12 years. NCL presented AbilityFirst Long Beach Center with a check in the amount of \$4,000 to support the great work the center does in helping children and adults with disabilities through programs and services they offer.

Besides monetary donations which are much needed, the South Coast Chapter of NCL has provided volunteers and participated in programs for AbilityFirst. Volunteers have participated in field trips, helped at the Swim-a-Thon with crafts and water play, participated in car washes, sold raffle tickets and helped out at the Fashion Show, helped out at the Halloween Dance, as well as numerous other volunteer assignments. Just last month NCL volunteers helped out at the annual Prom Night which was a huge success and great fun! Having non-disabled peers, like NCL girls, participating in AbilityFirst programs provide great role models for the participants.

NCL has also helped fund many projects around the Center, including pool equipment, a hydraulic changing table and program supplies.

AbilityFirst would like to extend their appreciation to everyone at NCL especially President Erin Kahlert and AbilityFirst liaisons Angie Haas and Kristi Kahl and their daughters Daisy and August Ray for everything they do.

About National Charity League: For more than 50 years, National Charity League, Inc. (NCL) has thrived as one of the nation's most distinctive and well-respected mother-daughter membership organizations. NCL is committed to the development of its members as leaders, and is dedicated to volunteerism and supporting philanthropies through hands-on activities in local communities. NCL, Inc. was established in Los Angeles, California in 1925, and incorporated in 1958. Annually NCL members from coast to coast volunteer approximately one million hands-on hours in local communities. www.nationalcharityleague.org

About AbilityFirst: <u>AbilityFirst</u>, formerly Crippled Children's Society of Southern California, provides programs and services to help children and adults with disabilities reach their full potential. Through 25 <u>locations</u> across Southern California, they offer a broad range of employment, recreational and socialization <u>programs</u> as well as accessible residential housing complexes and an accessible camp, <u>Camp</u> <u>Paivika</u>, for both children and adults.