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A CHARITABLE MISSION

Independent Financial Group keeps its promise year after year

When Independent Financial Group opened its doors in March of 2003, management and staff alike understood that when financially possible, they would open their hearts and give back to their communities.



Established as a comprehensive philanthropic effort to assist individuals and organizations in need throughout the world.

In 2006, they delivered by making their first contribution to the Choose Living Foundation, a philanthropic organization founded by Jim McLaren. The mission of Choose Living is to give opportunity and hope to those who truly need it. The foundation addresses both individual crisis and universal concern to personally aid and globally inspire. Visibility and recognition for all who need it is a campaign singular to Choose Living, an equitable foundation with commitments to a variety of causes, nonprofits, and worthy recipients.



Independent Financial Group made its first major charitable contribution to the Choose Living Foundation in 2006. Jim McLaren (seated) accepted IFG's check in the amount of \$10,000 from Managing Directors (left to right) David A. Fischer, Scott Heising, and Joe Miller. Jim McLaren will always be a friend to IFG, and as Jim later commented to David A. Fischer, "Dave...you'll be a friend for life, my dear."



In 2007, IFG also began supporting the Susan G. Komen Foundation and with the help of their employees and representatives, presented a check in the amount of \$15,000 at their National Conference in August. Since many lives are affected by breast cancer and everyone has a mother, sister, daughter, and/or wife, Independent Financial Group felt this organization deserved support. Accepting the donation on behalf of the Foundation was Rear Admiral Bruce Boland, U.S.

Navy Retired and a breast cancer survivor, which revealed that a husband, son, father, and/or brother could also be directly affected by this disease.



"Komen for the Cure" was IFG's premiere charitable cause in 2007 with (left to right) Managing Directors David A. Fischer, Joe Miller, Laura Farmer-Sherman (Director - Communications & Community Relations, Susan G. Komen Foundation, San Diego Chapter) Managing Director Scott Heising, and Rear Admiral Bruce Boland, USN Ret., a breast cancer survivor accepting the donation on behalf of the Foundation.



IFG's 2008 Charity of the Year, The Junior Blind of America, which provides assistance to the blind in Los Angeles, Orange and San Diego Counties by teaching, training and inspiring, was presented with a \$20,000 contribution at Independent Financial Group's National Conference held in San Diego during August. Students in both child and adult programs learn the skills they need to succeed, and get the training they require to achieve tangible goals in a visually-impaired world.

Independent Financial Group's mission since their first donation is to not only select a new worthy cause to donate to each year, but to continue supporting all of their past charities, help their communities, and recognize the humanitarian efforts of organizations that are doing so much to help so many in need.



Accepting the \$20,000 check on behalf of The Junior Blind of America are Wendy Santana (Director of Major Gifts, Junior Blind of America), 2nd from left, with Susan Pelbath (Graduate of the JBoFA's Adult Program) presented by (from left to right) IFG's Managing Directors David A. Fischer, Joe Miller, and Scott Heising.

If you would like to help by supporting any of IFG's past or future causes, please contact Cici Jennings at 800.269.1903 x223 or e-mail cjennings@ifgsd.com.