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## **Independent Financial Group Awards \$25,000 to Local Charities Challenged Athletes Foundation, Junior Blind of America, the Mitchell Thorp Foundation and Susan G. Komen for the Cure**

SAN DIEGO, CA - Independent Financial Group, LLC (IFG) a San Diego-based independent broker-dealer released a statement today announcing their total donations toward their chosen charities of the year. As part of their ongoing charitable philosophy and commitment to the local communities, donations totaling \$25,000 will be awarded to: *The Challenged Athletes Foundation, Junior Blind of America, the Mitchell Thorp Foundation and Susan G. Komen for the Cure.*

“We will continue our charitable efforts in the San Diego community by giving to those who need it most,” says Scott Heising, Founder, Owner and Managing Director. He adds, “It has been our goal since we started [Independent Financial Group] to always support the great work our local charities do. IFG is honored to help make a difference in our communities, year after year.”

### **About Independent Financial Group’s Charities**

*The Challenged Athletes Foundation* provides opportunities and support to people with physical disabilities so they can pursue active lifestyles through physical fitness and competitive athletics. The mission of the *Junior Blind of America* is to provide educational programs and services for visually impaired children and adults. *The Mitchell Thorp Foundation* supports families whose children suffer from life-threatening illnesses, diseases and disorders. The promise of *Susan G. Komen for the Cure* is to work to end breast cancer in the United States through research and advocacy.

Since the company’s founding, IFG has awarded over \$165,000 in contributions to numerous charities. One of their first charitable donations was made to the *Choose Living Foundation*; started by record-breaking triathlete and ESPY award winner, Jim MacLaren.

Through this philanthropic relationship, Independent Financial Group maintained an ongoing friendship with MacLaren until his passing in 2010. His vision of supporting disabled athletes through his foundation inspired the athletic community and launched the creation of the *Challenged Athletes Foundation*.

**About Independent Financial Group**

Independent Financial Group (IFG) is an independent broker-dealer firm located in San Diego, California. Since 2008, Inc. Magazine has named Independent Financial Group as one of the “Fastest Growing Companies in America”. Since 2006, Independent Financial Group, LLC (IFG) has been recognized each year by the San Diego Business Journal as the #1 Fastest-Growing Private Company in San Diego (2006) and most recently, as #27 on the Fastest Growing Companies list in 2012. The company currently maintains over 500 financial advisors on its roster. IFG will celebrate its ten year anniversary beginning in March 2013. For more information on Independent Financial Group, LLC visit [www.ifgsd.com](http://www.ifgsd.com) or call (800) 269-1903.

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