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Center for Autism and Related Disorders and the U.S. Marines Join Forces to Help Children in Need to this Holiday Season

CARD joins Marines Toys for Tots in uniting the local community in one common cause, bringing joy to the less unfortunate kids around the world.

Tarzana, CA – November 15, 2010 The Center for Autism and Related Disorders, Inc. (CARD), considered the world's largest organization effectively treating children with autism, has announced it has officially kicked off the Marines Toys for Tots toy drive for the holiday season. The event benefits less fortunate youngsters in the community. The toy drive will take place at CARD's 20 stateside offices from November 10 to December 17, 2010.

"The Center for Autism and Related Disorders has been an integral part of the community for 20 years," says CARD Founder and Executive Director Dr. Doreen Granpeesheh. "Participating in the toy drive gives CARD the opportunity to make a difference and bring some happiness to many children this holiday season."

CARD's goal is to collect a combined total of \$100,000 worth of toys.

CARD is asking the public to donate new and unwrapped toys that will be distributed to shelters throughout the city. CARD has designated two Drop-Off days on December 2nd and December 10th, from 9am to 5pm. Office locations are listed at www.centerforautism.com/About/CARD_Locations.asp.

For more information on donating toys, contact Maria Delgadillo, CARD Employee Relations Coordinator, at 818-345-2345 ext. 309 or email: m.delgadillo@centerforautism.com.

About the Center for Autism and Related Disorders, Inc. (CARD):

CARD, headquartered in Los Angeles, California, maintains a reputation as one of the world's largest and most experienced organizations effectively treating children with autism, Asperger's Syndrome, PDD-NOS, and related disorders. Following the principles of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), CARD develops individualized treatment plans for every child. CARD has 22 treatment centers around the world. For more information about CARD, visit www.centerforautism.com.

About Marine Toys For Tots Foundation:

The objectives of Toys for Tots are to help less fortunate children throughout the United States experience the joy of Christmas; to play an active role in the development of one of our nation's most valuable resources – our children; to unite all members of local communities in a common cause for three months each year during the annual toy collection and distribution campaign; and to contribute to better communities in the future.