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## Barney & Barney LLC Commemorates Centennial Anniversary by Gifting Charitable Organizations with Sizeable Donations

*Employees from San Diego, Orange County and the Bay Area Celebrate Company Milestone by Raising a Community Fundraising Goal of \$260,000*

SAN DIEGO (Oct. 2, 2009)—[Barney & Barney LLC](#), one of California's oldest and largest insurance brokerage, concluded its summer-long centennial anniversary celebration yesterday evening by awarding 12 California charitable organizations—selected from incoming submissions and nominations by company employees—with grants from [The Barney & Barney Foundation](#), which was established July 2009.

Following a morning “Caring for Community” 5K walk around San Diego Bay to secure additional donations, Barney & Barney partners joined San Diego dignitaries and local clients to honor the company and the Foundation's charitable beneficiaries, during a gala held October 1 at the Natural History Museum. In just 10 weeks, Barney & Barney team members raised \$260,000 to bypass the Foundation's original goal set in July of \$250,000.

As the highlight of the evening's festivities, Barney & Barney executives individually recognized each charity spokesperson and presented the following endowments:

- [Rady Children's Hospital](#)—\$50,000
- [San Diego Hospice](#)—\$25,000
- [Walden Family Services](#)—\$25,000
- [Neighborhood House](#)—\$25,000
- [RES Success](#)—\$10,000
- [Orangewood Children's Foundation](#)—\$10,000
- [Community Resource Center \(CRC\)](#)—\$10,000
- [Marin Agricultural Land Trust \(MALT\)](#)—\$5,000
- [Big Brothers & Big Sisters of Orange County](#)—\$5,000
- [Mama's Kitchen](#)—\$5,000
- [San Diego Symphony](#)—\$5,000
- [Voices for Children](#)—\$5,000

Since the fundraising campaign was announced, Barney & Barney employees in San Diego, Orange County and Oakland worked together to raise money for these charities. Company teams hosted near-daily creative fundraisers—including special Foundation nights at Rubio's Mexican Grill and Pat & Oscar's, humorous workplace “dares for dollars,” weekend garage sales, office bake sales, and much more.

“We are excited and humbled to show our gratitude for 100 years of achievements by helping to expand the resources of great philanthropic organizations such as Rady Children's Hospital and

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San Diego Hospice,” said Paul Hering, managing principal and chief executive officer of Barney & Barney. “I am extremely proud of each and every Barney & Barney associate for making this celebration a fun and unforgettable success, and I am also grateful for the generosity of countless individuals and local companies, without which this gifting could not be possible.”

To speak with a Barney & Barney executive about the company’s 100-year anniversary and the donations made by the Foundation, please contact Kelly Hamor at (619) 234-0345 or [hamor@formulapr.com](mailto:hamor@formulapr.com).

### **About Barney & Barney**

Barney & Barney LLC is a California-based privately held risk management and insurance brokerage firm providing solutions, services and products in commercial property and casualty insurance, employee benefits, workers’ compensation, executive personal lines, and surety for the past 100 years. The firm also offers value added services in alternative risk financing, business continuity and loss control. Barney & Barney began as a small insurance agency founded by two brothers in 1909, and has grown into one of the largest insurance brokerages in the United States. While 2009 marks a trying year in our world, Barney & Barney continues to thrive and stay focused on its mission: serve our clients, our colleagues, and our local community. For more information visit our [Web site](#), check out [Barney & Barney](#) on Facebook, or find us on [Twitter](#).

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