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GET ENGAGED IN THE COMMUNITY FOR VALENTINE'S DAY

Hands On Bay Area Partners with Case Foundation for First-Ever Volunteer Event to Encourage Singles to "Get Engaged"

WHAT: San Francisco singles can get engaged just in time for Valentine's Day! On Saturday, February 10, up to 100 single San Franciscans will get engaged in the community at a special Hands On Bay Area and Case Foundation Valentine's Day volunteer project held at the San Francisco Zoo.

The Zoo, a San Francisco institution for over 70 years, is a leader in Bay Area animal conservancy efforts. And, on Saturday, February 10, singles will further this mission by planting and refurbishing the Zoo's various gardens and exhibits followed by an afternoon of mingling with their new friends. Volunteers will end the day feeling connected to the Zoo, engaged in the community—and perhaps to each other.

San Francisco is one of three communities across the country hosting official "Get Engaged for Valentine's Day" volunteer programs in partnership with the Case Foundation. Volunteers can find out more information and register for the project at www.handsonbayarea.org or www.casefoundation/getengaged.

WHEN: **Saturday, February 10, 2007**

- Volunteer check-in: 8 a.m.
- SPRUCE UP the San Francisco Zoo: 8:00 a.m.– 11:00 a.m.
- **Zoo is open to media beginning at 8:00 a.m.**

WHERE: 1 ZOO RD
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94132-1027

WHO: Up to 100 single San Franciscans ready to "get engaged" in the community by cleaning up the San Francisco Zoo. Volunteers will make a difference while meeting and getting to know other like-minded singles.

VISUALS/INTERVIEW OPPORTUNITIES:

- Up to 100 single volunteers getting engaged in the community just in time for Valentine's Day
- Volunteers pitching in to restore the Zoo's "wild places" for wild things.
- Before and after photos of habitat restoration at the zoo.

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About Hands On Bay Area

Hands On Bay Area (Hands On) creates social change by mobilizing our communities, through volunteer management, leadership development and issues education. Hands On creates, manages and leads volunteer projects for individuals and corporations that benefit more than 300 nonprofit agencies. Each month, Hands On coordinates and manages more than 100 community service projects that engage 10,000 volunteers each year. For more information, please visit www.handsonbayarea.org.

About the Case Foundation

Created in 1997 by Steve and Jean Case, the Case Foundation pursues sustainable solutions to complex social problems by investing in collaboration, leadership, and entrepreneurship. For more information, visit www.casefoundation.org.

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