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Kids Who Care Hosts “Night of Giving” December 22 to Allow Families in Need to Attend *A Christmas Carol* Musical at Scott Theatre

Event Made Possible Through Grant from Community Foundation of North Texas

Fort Worth, TX – December 3, 2008 – Kids Who Care, a non-profit international musical theatre company based in Fort Worth, Texas, is pleased to announce that thanks to a generous grant from the Community Foundation of North Texas, area families in need will be able to receive a much-deserved night out at the theatre to see *A Christmas Carol* on Monday, December 22 at 7:30 p.m. at the Scott Theatre in Fort Worth.

The \$5,000 grant was funded by The Maurine V. Goodrich Fund and the Youth Assistance Fund, both part of the Community Foundation of North Texas. Agencies invited to participate include: Ronald McDonald House, The Amaka Outreach Center, Wish With Wings, Union Gospel Mission, Samaritan House, Make-A-Wish Foundation, Safe Haven, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Cook Children's Hospital Special Services, Lena Pope Home, Kidd's Kids and Butler Housing.

Those involved with an outreach agency and/or those who know of families in need that would enjoy being treated to Kids Who Care's presentation of *A Christmas Carol* are encouraged to contact Jannice Fikar at Kids Who Care at 817.737.5437 or jannice@kidswhocare.org.

Kids Who Care's presentation of *A Christmas Carol* returns this holiday season after a successful run last year, with performances December 17 – 23 at the Scott Theatre. An inspiring tale of hope and redemption, *A Christmas Carol* tells the story of Ebenezer Scrooge and his magical journey from a bah-humbug miser to a loving and generous man. In this version presented by Kids Who Care, adapted by Preston Lane and Jonathan Moscone and originally premiered at the Dallas Theater Center, the story starts with a child, features Mark Walker's elaborate scenic design coupled with Chad Jung's lighting, and includes a cast of sixty-seven with actor Michael Muller in the role of Scrooge.

“We're so grateful to the Community Foundation of North Texas for this opportunity to give the gift of live theatre to area families in need this holiday season,” said Deborah Jung, founder and executive director of Kids Who Care musical theatre. “Whether it's a family facing the daily struggle of a child's medical treatment, a family in the midst of financial hardships or a community caregiver in need of a much-deserved night out at the theatre, Kids Who Care is thrilled to welcome them all to this special

Night of Giving performance. Additionally, we are thrilled to be honoring Homer Dowd, the President of the Community Foundation, for his continued and loyal service to this community.”

About Kids Who Care

Celebrating its 20th anniversary, Kids Who Care is a non-profit international theatre company based in Fort Worth, Texas that seeks to produce confident, caring and creative kids through leadership development, musical theatre education and performance. Kids Who Care offers professional musical theatre classes, summer musical theatre camps, international cultural exchanges, a touring Resident Company, public performances and more. The Kids Who Care Resident Company has performed Off-Broadway at the Lamb's Theatre, at both Disney's, at The Kennedy Center, at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center, at 30,000 feet aboard an airplane for the Make-A-Wish Foundation and at many other locations across the U.S. and overseas. The core values of the organization include: excellence in artistic development, artistic integrity of kids, leadership roles for kids, financial and cultural diversity and ensemble production. For more information, please visit www.kidswhocare.org.

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