



Bowls of Hope Project Overflows with Community Support

Thousand Oaks, CA - November 15, 2007 - Dreary weather on Sunday, November 11th did not prevent hundreds of community members from coming out to support Many Mansions' 3rd Annual Bowls of Hope event at Calamigos Ranch in Malibu. More than 350 guests, in addition to dozens of volunteers, flocked to the event to partake of steaming bowls of gourmet soups and breads donated by



local restaurants and served by city officials and Many Mansions' supporters.



The Bowls of Hope Project is an awareness raising event designed to inform the community about the homeless and need for affordable housing and about Many Mansions' services and programs. The proceeds from the Bowls of Hope support Many Mansions' adult and children services for its resident families. This year, the Bowls of Hope raised more than \$40,000 for Many Mansions' resident services, such as the after-school Homework & Literacy Program, Camp Many Mansions, on-site case management, life skills training and much more. The event featured a simulated "soup line" as well as a student Art Show, raffle drawings, silent auction, live

entertainment by musical artist Michael Meros and a beautiful display of hundreds of ceramic bowls that were hand-painted and donated by members of the community. Tri-Valley Landscape designed a lovely Grand Entrance for our guests to walk through as they entered the event. As a special treat, Many Mansions welcomed Ben & Jerry's as this year's ice cream sponsor! Special thanks go to Jean Martirez of Fox 11 News, Master of Ceremony.

Many Mansions would like to thank all the sponsors, donors, volunteers, and supporters who made this year's Bowls of Hope Project so successful.

About Many Mansions

Many Mansions, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, is one of the leading providers of affordable housing in Ventura County, offering low-income households well-managed housing and life enriching services. Many Mansions manages nine apartment communities and provides housing for more than 1300 residents. Through the development of the Adult Services and Children Services Programs, Many Mansions has made a commitment to eradicate the cycle of chronic homelessness.

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