

## Hanmi Bank Celebrates 25 Years by Giving Back

## 25 Local Community Organizations Receive \$2,500 through the Hanmi Link Program

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 19 /PRNewswire/ -- Hanmi Bank, the largest Korean American bank in the U.S., marked its 25th anniversary by awarding \$2,500 to 25 Los Angeles community-based organizations who provide programs, services and aid to their local communities. With the theme, "A Day of Sharing," Hanmi Bank launched its inaugural Hanmi Link program on December 12, 2007. Hanmi Link is a volunteer program within the company to provide financial and volunteer support to the community. A new tradition at Hanmi, it will continue to honor and award grants to 25 community-based organizations every year.

"Hanmi Bank's success is the community's success," said Dr. Sung Won Sohn, President and CEO of Hanmi Bank. "There is no better way to celebrate 25 years than by giving back to the community that has supported Hanmi for all these years. From the time we first opened our doors in 1982 until today, we are committed to being a company that is based on building personal relationships with our customers and community."

The 25 organizations that received grants from Hanmi Bank include:

- \* AGAPE Home Mission
- \* Centro Latino de Education Popular
- \* Gilgal Recovery Ministry
- \* Green Pastures Youth Center & Academy
- \* Hanmi Family Counseling Center
- \* Hanmi Special Education Center
- \* Helpline Youth Counseling
- \* Home on the Green Pastures (Women's Shelter)
- $^{\star}$  Korean American Community Services (KACS) SF
- \* Korean American Family Services Center (KAFSC)
- \* Korean American History Museum
- $^{\star}$  Korean Churches for Community Development (KCCD)
- \* Korean Resource Center Los Angeles (KRCLA)
- \* Kwon Ma Tae Korean School
- \* Milal Mission
- \* Music of Korean in UCLA
- \* Nanoom Christian Fellowship
- \* Rainbow Family Center
- \* Roll Foundation
- \* Shalom Disability Ministries
- \* The Street Mission
- \* The Wall Mission
- \* Watered Garden Mission
- \* World Medical Mission
- \* YMCA Wilshire Center

Hanmi Bank was founded in 1982 in Los Angeles to serve the Korean American community and since has grown into the largest Korean American Bank serving the multi-ethnic

communities of California, with more than 24 branches.

## About Hanmi Bank

Headquartered in Los Angeles, Hanmi Bank, a wholly owned subsidiary of Hanmi Financial Corporation, provides services to the multi-ethnic communities of California, with 24 full-service offices in Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, San Francisco, Santa Clara and San Diego counties, and nine loan production offices in California, Colorado, Georgia, Illinois, Texas, Virginia and Washington. Hanmi Bank specializes in commercial, SBA, trade finance and consumer lending, and is a recognized community leader. Hanmi Bank's mission is to provide a full range of quality products and premier services to its customers and to maximize shareholder value. Additional information is available at www.hanmifinancial.com.

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