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**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF CAPISTRANO VALLEY ANNOUNCES
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN TO BUILD NEW TEEN CENTER**

*Club turns to community to complete funding of facility to serve
over 800 teens in need.*

SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CA (October 11, 2007) – The Boys & Girls Clubs of Capistrano Valley announced the public launch of a Capital Campaign to begin construction on a new state-of-the-art Teen Center. The Club has already raised \$3.2 million of its overall goal of \$4.2 million with the Teen Center being the main focus of the campaign. The Boys & Girls Clubs of Capistrano Valley is now turning to the community to help complete the fundraising effort.

The new center, slated to be built adjacent to the existing Club, will serve the burgeoning teen community in the Capistrano Valley area. The plans call for the center to serve more than 800 teens a year; increasing the Club's current ability to service teens nearly ten-fold and providing a safe place for graduates of the Club's current programs. Computer skills, college and career preparation, fitness, the arts, and health and life programs will all be provided to teens in the new center, scheduled to begin construction in Spring 2008.

“We're excited at the support shown by Capistrano Valley residents for this important initiative,” said Executive Director of Boys & Girls Clubs of Capistrano Valley James Littlejohn. “The teenage years are critical in the development of our youth and

this new facility will provide a safe, engaging and supportive environment for them as they navigate this challenging stage of their lives.”

The success of the fundraising effort has in large part been thanks to Myron and Mozelle Sukut who pledged \$1 million in a matching gift to the Club for the building and operations of the new facility. “The Sukuts’ generosity to the Club and greater Capistrano area continues to be a major part of our success,” said William Cvengros, Chairman of the Capital Campaign. Cvengros continued, “Their passion for the future of our local children is shared by us all and we are thrilled that they have decided to make such a significant commitment to that future.”

In addition to the construction of the new Teen Center the Capital Campaign will fund several key Club initiatives including: creating an endowment to ensure the future success of the Club; renovating existing facilities to maximize utility for younger members; retiring the Club’s debt; hiring additional staff and increasing programs for the teen membership.

Sponsorship and naming opportunities are still available. For information on sponsorship opportunities, or to make a donation, please call Kelly Reynolds, Resource Development Director for BGCCV at (949) 240-7898 ext. 13 or kreynolds@bgccapo.com.

For over fifteen years, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Capistrano Valley (BGCCV) has been at the forefront of youth development in South Orange County, including Aliso Viejo, Capistrano Beach, Dana Point, Laguna Niguel, Mission Viejo, San Clemente, and San Juan Capistrano. The Boys & Girls Clubs of Capistrano Valley has received numerous awards including being named a five-time recipient of the *Orange County Register’s* Charities Award. In its “Philanthropy 400” report, *The Chronicle of*

Philanthropy ranked the Boys & Girls Club Movement No. 1 among youth organizations for six consecutive years, and No. 8 among all non-profit organizations.

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