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**CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND MAYOR ANTONIO VILLARIAGOSA JOIN LIST OF
COMMUNITY SPONSORS FOR SHAREFEST ANNUAL WORKDAY**

Torrance, CA April 17th – ShareFest Community Development announced today that Mayor Antonio Villariagosa and the City of Los Angeles were among the notable sponsors for its 5th Annual Workday, April 26th. More than 30 sponsors are supporting the 5th Annual Workday where more than 3,000 volunteers are expected to participate in 60 work projects across the South Bay. Since the spring of '04, ShareFest Community Development has coordinated the efforts of more than 60 churches and civic organizations, and thousands of volunteers, for its annual spring workday. The workday is an effort to help meet the needs of children and families in the greater Los Angeles area. More than 200 projects at local schools, parks, community centers and private residences, have been completed, at no cost to the recipients, since the first workday.

Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa will be participating at one of the service projects in Wilmington.. Last summer, ShareFest Community Development was asked by the Los Angeles Police Department to participate in a coordinated effort to revitalize the Cruces area of Wilmington. The Mayor, and Los Angeles Council Woman Janice Hahn, will be joining ShareFest volunteers in their efforts to continue the process of revitalization by working to beautify several parks and community centers in the area. “The spirit of service and active engagement is what builds communities in Los Angeles,” Mayor Villaraigosa said.

“It is a great honor to serve our community with leaders like Mayor Villaraigosa and Councilmember Janice Hahn. Our vision for ShareFest is to bring together all the resources available in a community to serve areas of need.” said Bryan Doleshel, Managing Director of ShareFest Community Development.



In addition to the City of Los Angeles and Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, the Port of Los Angeles and BNSF have signed on as Community Sponsors.

Community Sponsors: Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa, City of Los Angeles, Port of Los Angeles, BNSF. **Neighborhood Sponsors:** Dobruck Designs, Carnegie Marketing, Alcoa, Home Depot, San Pedro, TY Nursery, Virco, Colarossi Painting, West Basin Water, Million Trees LA.

Supporting Sponsor: Coastal Interactive, Cuningham Group, Subway, Torrance & Carson, Watson Land Company, Wilmington Community Organization. **Partnering Sponsors:** Alpine Door & Trim, Councilwoman Janice Hahn, Cornerstone Construction Group, Chevron, Continental Development Corp., Eyedeal Interiors, Valero, South Bay Gardens, Dunn Edwards, Conoco, Phillips, RE/MAX Watts & Associates, Bennett Landscaping. **Supporters:** Harbor Freight, Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.

ShareFest Community Development, Inc. is a non-profit public benefit corporation. It is funded through donations, grants and volunteer hours.

ShareFest is currently seeking additional support in all areas. ShareFest's vision is to unite the South Bay and meet the deepest needs within the communities of southwestern Los Angeles County. Cities within this area include El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hawthorne, Lawndale, Gardena, Carson, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Harbor City, Lomita and the communities of the Palos Verdes Peninsula. For more information on how to donate or volunteer visit www.sharefestinc.org or call 310-626-8106.

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