



Toledo Classic Inc. Gives \$200,000 to Children's Charities

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Toledo, Ohio – December 19, 2011 – Toledo Classic Inc. (parent company of the Jamie Farr Toledo Classic LPGA tournament) presented checks today to six local children's charities at their annual charity luncheon at Owens Corning's World Headquarters. Toledo Classic Inc. distributed proceeds in the amount of \$200,000 that were the result of prior Jamie Farr Toledo Classic tournaments along with the management of the 2011 U. S. Senior Open Championship held at Inverness Club this past summer. The six charities that received checks today were:

1. Adopt America Network (\$45,000)
2. Children's Rights Council of NW Ohio (\$45,000)
3. Veggie U (\$35,000)
4. Autism Model School (\$30,000)
5. Toledo Area Ministries (\$30,000)
6. Toledo Basketball Academy (\$15,000)

Also during the luncheon, The Kroger Co. donated \$75,000 for two additional local children's charities - Ronald McDonald House Charities of NW Ohio (\$50,000) and the Jamie Farr Toledo Classic Scholarship Fund of the Toledo Community Foundation (\$25,000).

With this year's contributions, Toledo Classic Inc. has now contributed \$7.4 million to 100+ northwest Ohio children's charities since 1984.

“We are excited that deserving charities in Northwest Ohio received funds that will strengthen the community through the services they provide to children and families in need. We are also pleased that the Jamie Farr Toledo Classic tournament will return to northwest Ohio next August”, stated Toledo Classic Inc. Board Chairman, Rich Crawford. “This is truly a great community event and we are thankful to all of our sponsors, volunteers and spectators that continue to play such a vital role in its success.”

A new logo for the popular LPGA tournament was recently unveiled that features the name of the event and highlights the contributions and support of the three presenting sponsors for the 2012 event; Kroger, Owens Corning and O-I. After a one year hiatus, the Jamie Farr Toledo Classic presented by Kroger, Owens Corning and O-I returns to Highland Meadows Golf Club August 6-12, 2012 with a purse of \$1.3 million which is an increase of \$300,000 over 2010.

In 2012, the ten core charities that will benefit from the proceeds of the Jamie Farr Toledo Classic presented by Kroger, Owens Corning and O-I include:

1. Aurora House
2. Boys & Girls Clubs of Toledo
3. Family and Child Abuse Prevention Center
4. Feed Lucas County Children
5. Kids Unlimited
6. Mom's House
7. The Victory Center
8. YMCA/JCC of Greater Toledo
9. Ronald McDonald House Charities
10. Jamie Farr Toledo Classic Scholarship Fund

In addition, other local children's charities can participate again in a charity ticket program that was first introduced in 2010. This year's sponsor of the program is The Blade. Tickets to the Jamie Farr Toledo Classic can be purchased in one of three ways - directly through a participating charity; on line at the tournament website; or at area Kroger stores. Purchasers can then designate a charity through The Blade Charity Ticket Program and the designated charity will receive 100% of the total sales price of their tickets.