



**Fore!Kids Foundation, ACME Oyster House Partner
to Assist Bayou District Foundation**

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Regional philanthropic leader Fore!Kids Foundation, producers of the Zurich Classic of New Orleans PGA TOUR event, and ACME Oyster House, have donated \$45,000 to the Bayou District Foundation with proceeds from this year's successful tournament.

The donation stemmed from ACME's contribution of the ACME Oyster House hospitality venue at this year's Zurich Classic. In turn, at ACME's request, Fore!Kids Foundation donated a \$45,000 check, equal to the value of the tournament contribution, directly to Bayou District Foundation.

Bayou District Foundation officials said the donation will go directly to their programs for providing community enrichment services to residents in the new Gentilly neighborhood that transformed the former St. Bernard Housing development.

"We are proud to enjoy the support of committed corporate sponsors like ACME Oyster House that assist our mission to raise funds for children's charities," said Frank "Buddy" Seeling, chairman of the Fore!Kids Foundation board. "ACME's generosity will directly benefit youth now living in this great new neighborhood that started with a grant to the Bayou District Foundation from the Fore!Kids

Foundation several years ago," Seeling added.

ACME Oyster House President and Bayou District Foundation Board Member Mike Rodrigue, said, ""We are happy that the ACME family can assist with the mission of Fore!Kids in raising funds for charity through golf related events. We hope to make this an annual partnership to benefit the Bayou District Foundation goal to be an instrument for change for the New Orleans region."

About Fore!Kids Foundation:

Since 1958, the Fore!Kids Foundation has raised money to fund children's service organizations through golf events like the Zurich Classic of New Orleans, the Golf Ball Gala, a juniors' summer junior tour, and several charitable golf tournaments. As a 501(c)(3) corporation, Fore!Kids has helped to raise over \$20 million to date, providing healthcare, education and hope for more than 200,000 kids each year. More information at www.forekidsfoundation.com <<http://www.forekidsfoundation.com>> .

About Bayou District Foundation:

The non-profit Bayou District Foundation was started shortly after Katrina in 2005 to re-develop the former St. Bernard Housing community in Gentilly into a new mixed-income housing community with new nearby schools, retail amenities and recreation facilities. Columbic Parc at the Bayou District is now home to more than 400 families (Phase One.) The entire \$425 million project will be completed in several years.