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Wells Fargo & Company contributes \$10,000 to the Northwest Coalition Against Trafficking

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National (USA), August 9, 2010 - Wells Fargo & Company will contribute \$10,000 to the Northwest Coalition Against Trafficking (NWCAT), an awareness and education arm of Soroptimist International Northwestern Region, in **Sue Riney's** honor to recognize the valuable contributions she has made to Soroptimist, through its Volunteer Service Award program.

Riney, a Wells Fargo team member within ATM and Store Strategies, is based in Oak Harbor, Washington. She has volunteered within Soroptimist for 24 years and currently serves as region governor. She volunteers at least 60 hours a month to Soroptimist and has previously served as the region board's treasurer and district director. The Soroptimist Northwestern Region Board recently established NWCAT (www.nwcat.org) to inform, educate and protect women and girls from human labor and sex trafficking in the Northwestern Region of the United States.

*Improving the lives
of women and girls,
in local communities
and throughout
the world.*



Sue Riney, Governor of Soroptimist International Northwestern Region

“The Soroptimist mission is to improve the lives of women and girls, and the Northwestern Region is focusing our attention right now on the issue of sex trafficking – specifically in Portland which the FBI recently rated as second in the United States for domestic minor sex trafficking. Our dream is to see a shelter for victims established in Portland, and these funds will go towards helping that dream to be realized. If you’d like to be a part of this Soroptimist effort, visit www.soroptimistnwr.org,” said Riney.

Wells Fargo awarded \$400,000 to nonprofit organizations on behalf of 241 team members, including Riney, who were nominated in this year’s annual Volunteer Service Award program. Two hundred twenty-five \$1,000 grants and 15 \$10,000 grants and one \$25,000 in honor of team members’ volunteer contributions across the company.

Each year, team members can nominate a fellow team member or themselves for the Volunteer Service Award program. Those nominated have the opportunity to win thousands of dollars for the nonprofit organization or K-12 school where they volunteer.

A diverse committee of team members picks winners based on personal dedication, effectiveness of his or her work, amount of volunteer time and potential impact on his or her community.

Go to www.wellsfargo.com/about/csr to learn more about Wells Fargo’s social-responsibility efforts.

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