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GGCF WELCOMES BACK RETURNING PRESIDENT, OFFICERS

The Garden Grove Community Foundation (GGCF) begins the year with its returning President and Board of Directors. Serving the second and final year of his term is President Richard Porras, Executive Director of External Affairs for AT&T. Porras is a long time member of the GGCF, having previously served as its Vice President.

“Despite these very challenging economic times, it is our goal to continue providing the same high level of programs and activities that enhance the quality of life for the Garden Grove community,” said Porras. Porras officially resumed his title at the organization’s first board meeting of the year on Monday, January 9.

Other returning GGCF board officers are: Vice President Steve Jones, City of Garden Grove Council Member; Secretary Liz Polisar, community leader; and Treasurer Jane Oglesby, community leader and arts enthusiast.

In 2011, the GGCF continued its mission to enrich the community of Garden Grove with programs and events that offered entertainment, enhancement, and something for the entire family.

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Last July and August, Over 12,500 music lovers attended the Summer Concert Series, held at Eastgate Park, which has become one of the most popular GGCF events. Over 2,500 concertgoers came out to the Village Green and enjoyed entertainment by the popular Journey tribute band "Don't Stop Believin'." Other successful events included the annual Food For Thought Luncheon held in conjunction with the "Moving Wall," the 7th Annual Golf Tournament co-sponsored by the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce, and the City's Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, which is co-sponsored by the GGCF.

Established in 1998, the GGCF is a non-profit 501c(3) organization dedicated to providing leadership and resources to enhance community life in Garden Grove. The GGCF often partners with other local civic and community groups that promote a similar mission, in order to assist them in their financial endeavors. If you are interested in supporting the GGCF to ensure that these successful programs continue, tax-deductible donations can be automatically added to your water bill as a pre-designated line item. For further information visit the GGCF website at <http://www.ggcf.com> or contact the GGCF office at (714) 741-5280.

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