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Hospice of the Valley receives \$10,000 Interio Foundation Grant for the Community Grief & Counseling Center's Children's Bereavement Program

Grant will provide bereavement support services to children and teens experiencing grief and loss

San Jose, Calif., –December 11, 2012 – Hospice of the Valley, a leading provider in advancing palliative, hospice care, community grief support and education in Northern California, receives a \$10,000 grant from the Interio Foundation of Cupertino in support of the organization's Community Grief & Counseling Center's children's bereavement program. The grant will provide bereavement support services to approximately 135 children and teens experiencing grief and loss.

Studies have shown that children who receive timely and appropriate grief support will be more resilient and better able to cope with loss and trauma later in life. If not addressed, children and teens have an increased potential for long-term emotional trauma and negative consequences. [Source: Dept. of Health and Human Services, HHS Publication No. SMA-11-4642 - May 2011]

"The Interio Foundation is proud to support the wonderful programs and services of Hospice of the Valley's children's bereavement program," said Cathy Jackson, president of the Interio Foundation. "They offer an invaluable resource to our community by positively impacting the growth and well being of children, teens and the families."

"We're honored to be the recipient of the Intero Foundation grant," said Sally Adelus, president and chief executive officer of Hospice of the Valley. "The Foundation and its board of directors' support of our children's bereavement program will provide the much-needed grief care services for children and teens experiencing loss so they will gradually learn to cope, process their grief and function better in school and at home."

About Intero Foundation

Intero Foundation has raised more than \$2 million to benefit children living in the communities in which it serves. Since its founding in 2002, the Foundation has supported over 70 local charities that work to positively impact the growth and well-being of children by enhancing their education and personal development. Funded, promoted and governed by Intero agents, they are vested in the health of the communities in which they work and live. All members of the Intero community – executives, staff and agents – donate their time to further the Foundation's mission. For more information, visit interofoundation.org.

About Hospice of the Valley

Based in the heart of California's Silicon Valley, Hospice of the Valley provides end-of-life care and services, including hospice, palliative care and counseling for adults and children. Hospice of the Valley's Community Grief & Counseling Center provides individual counseling and loss-specific support groups to anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one. Hospice of the Valley publishes a community website for caregivers and families at seriousillness.org/santaclaracounty. A nonprofit organization serving Santa Clara County since 1979, Hospice of the Valley honors all cultures, beliefs, values, and traditions and is committed to serving its diverse community and providing equitable access to care for all regardless of financial ability. For information, call 1.408.559.5600 or visit hospicevalley.org.

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