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MISSION LANDSCAPE COMPANIES HELP ENHANCE THE ORANGEWOOD CHILDREN' HOME BY VOLUNTEERING AND CREATING A THERAPUTIC GARDEN SETTING

- Helping enrich children's lives by creating therapeutic GREEN and sustainable gardens kicks off Earth Day and the Professional Landcare Network's Day of Service-

Tustin, California, April 22, 2010 – Tustin based Mission Landscape Company's (www.missionlandscape.com) executive team, landscape architects and field personnel will GREEN and beautiful the grounds of the Orangewood Children Home by creating healing and therapeutic gardens for the children and their families. This activity will kick off Mission's community service events for both Earth Day and the Professional Landcare Network's Day of Service. The Mission Landscape Companies are one of the largest full service integrated landscape providers in the United States and preeminent brands in California, serving San Diego to Sacramento and abroad. Hydro-Scape (<http://www.hydroscape.com>) of Southern California, donated the smart irrigation products for the Orangewood project.

Orangewood Children's Home [OCH] in California is Orange County's Emergency Shelter Home, a licensed group home providing emergency shelter care 24-hours per day, 365-days per year, for children that have been removed from their families or primary caregivers because of abuse, abandonment, or neglect. Dedicated in 1985, the current facility has a bed capacity of 216 children/youth and was built through the efforts of a unique public-private partnership between government services, companies and individuals in the community. In 2009, thirty-five percent of the children were ages 5 years or younger; 25% were ages 6 years to 12 years; and 40% were ages 13 years or older. Each month, OCH assumed the care of an average of 91 children, and was able to secure alternate homes for an average of 92 children each month; the average length of stay was 24 days.

David DuBois, CEO and President of the Mission Landscape companies shared, "We have a long history of volunteering our services for the Orangewood Children's Home, and we're happy to lend our support to them in any way we can. They make an incredible difference in helping and strengthening the lives of children. We have enormous respect and admiration for their team."

The annual PLANET (<http://www.landcarenetwork.org>) Day of Service is a grassroots event that allows lawn and landscape professionals to organize volunteer projects to beautify the grounds of schools, parks, playgrounds, senior centers, shelters, and anywhere that people enjoy green spaces. "The concept behind the PLANET Day of Service is to allow members to organize projects that have the greatest impact in their own community and that at the same time are part of a nationwide movement to educate the public about the importance of caring for our green spaces," said PLANET President Bill Hildebolt, Ph.D., Landscape Industry Certified Manager & Technician.

About Mission Landscape Companies

Founded in 1970, the Mission Landscape Companies, headquartered in Tustin, California, are an ESOP and a landscape leader dedicated to serving the needs of sustainable general contractors, architects, developers, property managers, landscape architects, engineers, owners, athletic directors, facility managers and municipal authorities in multiple industry segments by providing a seamless service portfolio of economical, sustainable and comprehensive landscape solutions. Mission Landscape Companies are an integrated full service landscape organization providing landscape architecture, development, maintenance, water management, tree-care and environmental resources to the Western United States and International markets. With a focus on return on investment, best practices, green and sustainable designs, safety-scapes and an outstanding customer experience, along with a roster of LEED certified landscape professionals, the Mission Landscape Companies provide its clients with a world-class value proposition. Visit www.missionlandscape.com for more information.

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