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Northwest Federal Credit Union's Fundraising Campaign Nets Over \$9,200 for Children's Miracle Network

Herndon, VA – Northwest Federal Credit Union (NWFCU) has wrapped up its 2006 fundraising campaign for Children's Miracle Network (CMN) with proceeds totaling over \$9,200. The funds—generated through member donations, sale of CMN candy safes, and a silent auction—were directed in full to the Credit Union's local Children's National Medical Center hospital in Washington, D.C.

"We're making a difference in our community," said Juri Valdov, President and CEO of Northwest Federal Credit Union. "The money raised will benefit the lives of sick children who require specialized care from Children's Hospital and I, for one, can't think of a better cause."

NWFCU's branches launched the fundraising campaign in January with the sale of CMN candy safes—acrylic combination safes filled with Tootsie Roll candies aimed at teaching children about the value of saving. The Credit Union's members generously donated funds, and NWFCU raised a portion of the proceeds during a silent auction held in February, when employees purchased excess office furniture, lobby artwork and exercise equipment.

Northwest Federal Credit Union joined other credit unions from around the United States on April 2, 2006 as a sponsor of the Credit Union Cherry Blossom 10-Mile Run, which benefited CMN. The Credit Union sponsored eight runners and enlisted a record 70 employees and their guests to serve as course marshal volunteers for the Washington D.C. race. Funds generated from the race totaled over \$515,000. In the five years that credit unions have sponsored the Run, more than \$1.5 million has been raised for Children's Miracle Network.

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Northwest Federal Credit Union is a full-service financial institution serving select government employees and 300+ companies in northern Virginia. Established in 1947 and headquartered in Herndon, Virginia, NWFCU is dedicated to its members and the surrounding community. The Credit Union currently has more than 83,000 members and assets in excess of \$1.5 billion. For more information, please visit www.northwestfcu.org.

NWFCU: Children's Miracle Network Fundraising Campaign



70 Northwest Federal CU employees and their guests volunteered for the 2006 Credit Union Cherry Blossom 10-Mile Run.



During the post race awards ceremony, Juri Valdov, President and CEO of NWFCU and chair of Credit Union Miracle Day, presents a check for \$515,000 to Children's Miracle Network.



Juri Valdov, president and CEO of NWFCU, visits with Christopher Wright, a child who's benefited from treatment at one of the premier Children's Hospitals.