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GRANITE PROPERTIES HOLDS VOLUNTEER FAIR FOR EMPLOYEES

13 local charities represented

PLANO, TEXAS – June 2, 2011– Granite Properties held a Volunteer Fair for its employees on Friday, May 24, 2011. Held at Spectrum Center, a Granite-owned office building, thirteen local charities were represented at the event.

Granite Properties' commitment to community involvement is ingrained in the company's mission and culture. The idea for the Volunteer Fair originated when, through internal focus groups, Granite learned that more of its employees wanted to take advantage of a company benefit in which employees are allotted 40 paid hours per year to do charitable work. "A good number of employees wanted to spend their time volunteering, but weren't sure which opportunities were a right fit for them" said Courtney Shelton, Human Resources Manager at Granite. "With this in mind, we decided to hold a Meet-and-Greet between Granite employees and the local charities they were interested in learning more about."

The thirteen charities represented at Granite's Volunteer Fair were:

- Lukemia and Lymphoma Association
- Children's Hospital
- Lupus Foundation of America, North Texas Chapter
- The RISE School of Dallas
- Meals on Wheels
- Big Brothers Big Sisters
- Volunteer Center of North Texas
- In-Sync Exotics Wildlife Rescue
- The Vogel Alcove
- American Heart Association Go Red for Women
- Susan G. Komen for the Cure
- Texas Health Presbyterian Foundation
- Star Children's Charity

"This was an amazing event and we were honored to be a part of it" said Laura Manning, Director of Development for The RISE School. "We're thankful for the opportunity to educate Granite employees about our wonderful program!"

About Granite Properties

Formed in 1991 Granite Properties is a privately held diversified commercial real estate investment and management company with offices in Atlanta, Dallas, Denver and Houston. Granite has developed more than 11 million square feet of office and retail properties. Consistently recognized for leadership and innovation in the industry, Granite has twice been named the NAIOP Developer of the Year and has won both international and regional BOMA TOBY awards for its office projects. Granite is committed to sustainable development and redevelopment as evidenced by numerous buildings achieving LEED Silver and Gold certification. Since its inception, CEL & Associates has honored Granite again and again for outstanding customer service. In 2010 CEL named Granite to its Real Estate “A List” for Service Excellence.