

## **The Gene Haas Foundation Donates More Than \$160,000 to the American Red Cross**

*Gene Haas and the Gene Haas Foundation have presented the American Red Cross with a total of six grants totaling \$164,084 to help fund their various humanitarian efforts around the globe.*

August 19, 2009 (FPRC) -- Oxnard, CA – The American Red Cross has received six grants from Gene Haas' philanthropic organization, the Gene Haas Foundation. Given from 2003 to 2005, the \$164,084 in grants supported the Red Cross' various humanitarian projects around the world.

"The American Red Cross has been a favorite charity of the Gene Haas Foundation, because of the good humanitarian work they perform throughout the world," said a spokesman from the Gene Haas Foundation. "They are always there to help those most in need, whether it's to provide shelter and aid in the aftermath of a hurricane in the US, or to feed the hungry in the midst of an African drought. And it doesn't matter who you are or what your social status is."

From the moment Clara Barton founded the American Red Cross in 1881, it has been one of the country's top care organizations, providing humanitarian aid to victims of disasters, emergencies, war, and economics. The educational, development, and relief programs it provides are also vital to the health and welfare of millions of people around the world. This fits in perfectly with the Gene Haas Foundation's dedication to supporting youth, the poor, and those in need of humanitarian care.

The Gene Haas Foundation supports other charities and non-profit organizations, as well. In fact, the Foundation has given over \$8.5 million to more than 800 organizations since 2001. The recipients include a variety of national and local community organizations, including such programs as the Camarillo chapter of the American Association of University Women, the Hospice Foundation of Florida, the International Response Fund of India, and the National Police Dog Foundation, to name a few.

About the American Red Cross:

The American Red Cross was founded by Clara Barton in 1881. Since then, it has been a driving force when dealing with disasters and emergencies of all kinds. The red Cross supports local communities across the globe through education, and has some of the most comprehensive support services for the poor, the hurt, and the hungry.

About the Gene Haas Foundation:

Created by the founder of machine tool manufacturer Haas Automation, Inc., in 1999, the Gene Haas Foundation is a prominent supporter of organizations that actively address the youth, academic, humanitarian, and health needs of the community, especially within the Ventura County area. Organizations that receive funding from the Gene Haas Foundation provide guidance for youth, educational opportunities for students, support for local communities, and care for people with sickness or addiction. To date, the Foundation has donated over \$8.5 million to more than 800 charitable organizations.

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