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Gordon Flesch Charitable Foundation Donates \$20,000 to Columbus Area Charities

COLUMBUS, Ohio (August 10, 2011) – Donations totaling \$20,000 from the Gordon Flesch Charitable Foundation are helping four Columbus area organizations further their missions. Since its inception in 2002, the Gordon Flesch Charitable Foundation, Inc. has donated more than \$1 million to various charities and organizations throughout Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Wisconsin. Each year, grants totaling nearly \$100,000 are awarded in the communities where the Gordon Flesch Company does business. Columbus organizations receiving grants in 2011 include:

- **St. Vincent Family Center** - a leading family service organization committed to providing high quality, distinctive behavioral health and social development services that support children, strengthen families and sustain communities. The donation will be used to purchase occupational therapy equipment.
- **My Place to Be** - offers programs for children that incorporate a social skills development curriculum, which supports emotional, sensory, communication and social development. The donation will be used to offer scholarships for Camp Make Believe Kids.
- **Fore Hope** - offers therapeutic golf lessons for people with disabilities. Participants learn golf skills that parallel their cognitive, physical and social needs. The donation will expand the program to include disabled veterans.
- **Mid-Ohio Food Bank** - keeps the food shelves stocked for a network of 519 emergency food pantries, soup kitchens, emergency shelters, senior dining centers, day care and after-school enrichment programs throughout a 20 county service area. The donation will help stock the food bank.

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“Spirit and generosity have been a part of Gordon Flesch Company’s culture since the beginning, and the Charitable Foundation reflects that,” said Barb Anderson, president of the Gordon Flesch Charitable Foundation. “Year after year, our work and these donations provide a tremendous opportunity to improve the quality of life in the communities where we work and live.”

The Gordon Flesch Charitable Foundation, Inc. is led by a board of employee volunteers. The charities are selected from nominations submitted by individual associates throughout the Gordon Flesch Company. Organizations, large and small, that provide assistance to those suffering from disease or recovering from disaster are given priority attention.

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