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**WomenShelter of Long Beach Community Outreach Family Fun Day 2017**

**LONG BEACH, Calif.** – WomenShelter of Long Beach (WSLB), a nonprofit dedicated to eliminating domestic violence, held its third annual community outreach event, Family Fun Day, at The Expo Arts Center, Bixby Knolls - 4321 Atlantic Ave, Long Beach, CA 90807 on Saturday, June 10, 2017 from 10am to 2pm.

WSLB's third annual Family Fun Day exceeded expectations. Thanks to the generous sponsorships provided by The Port of Long Beach, Councilmember Al Austin, and the Water Replenishment District of Southern California this event was the largest and most well attended to date. Approximately 30 vendors, including The Long Beach Health and Human Services Department, CSULB's Health Services, Static Salon, BARK, The People's Community Clinic, The Children's Clinic, and many others (visit WSLB.org for a complete list of vendors), shared vital health, fitness, and safety information.

"The event was a huge success. Families were laughing, learning, creating artwork, playing games, sharing meals, and connecting with other people in the community. We at WomenShelter are so proud that we can offer free services, like our Family Fun Day, as they help build and support stronger, safer families," said Mary Ellen Mitchell, WSLB Executive Director.

Over 250 people attended WSLB's Family Fun Day. Many families traveled from Lynwood, Compton, Hawthorne, Gardena, Paramount, San Pedro, and Pasadena to take advantage of the complimentary wellness check-ups, health insurance enrollment opportunities, haircuts, art activities, yoga workshops, games, education, free hot dogs, and resources. Councilmember Al Austin, representative of the 8<sup>th</sup> District attended and spoke at the event. "[I'm proud] to partner with them on this very special day. I've seen hundreds of people come throughout the day...enjoy the resources, the information, but also to support a great cause. WomenShelter gives so much to those who are in need to provide safety and shelter for families in challenging times and conditions and we can't thank them enough."

WomenShelter of Long Beach will host its 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Domestic Violence Awareness event this October during National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. To find out more information regarding WSLB's upcoming event or ways to support or volunteer, please contact Tatiana S. Dorman: TDorman@WomenShelterLB.org, 562-437-7233, ext. 27.

**About WSLB:**

The mission of WSLB is to eliminate domestic violence through compassionate intervention, education and personal empowerment. Since 1977, WomenShelter of Long Beach has helped thousands of families overcome the trauma caused by domestic abuse. WSLB is a federally recognized 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization – Federal Tax ID #95-1644058.

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