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Windermere Establishes College of the Desert Scholarships

PALM SPRINGS, CA – May 11, 2012 – Windermere Real Estate Southern California is firmly positioned as the area leader in residential resale and luxury home sales. But equally as impressive is their philosophy on giving back to the communities in which they serve.

As established members of the community, Windermere Agents and Staff keep an eye on the issues and concerns that impact the local economy, not only in terms of property values, but the educational and vocational pathways that lead to the viability of home ownership for residents and visitors alike. Their knowledge in this area recently helped identify a need to support local students in higher education programs at the community college level.

And from this need, Windermere Real Estate Southern California created their College of the Desert Student Scholarship fund through their Windermere California Foundation. For the 2013-2014 school year, four qualifying students benefit from these scholarships in three categories: Business, Economics and Real Estate Development. These scholarships pay for a portion of the students' tuition and expenses, and allow students to focus on what's important – their education.

Two scholarships in the amount of \$2500 each will go to qualified students majoring in Business and Economics, and two \$1000 scholarships will go to qualified students working toward a Real Estate Development certificate. These scholarships support full-time students taking 12 units or more with at least a 3.0 grade point average.

"Given the unprecedented state budget difficulties, now more than ever the contributions Windermere Real Estate Southern California has made are especially critical," said Dr. Joel Kinnamon, superintendent and president of College of the Desert. "As much as we do for our students and community, we can do so much more with the financial help we receive from our COD Foundation through its dedicated supporters."

Bob Deville, co-owner of Windermere Real Estate Southern California, said, "Windermere Real Estate is proud to support these new opportunities for the students of the College of the Desert's Business, Economics and Real Estate Development programs. As the economy continues to improve, we felt that it was important as one of the Coachella Valley's industry leaders to show our support and bolster local higher education."



Since opening their first Coachella Valley office in 2001, Windermere Real Estate Southern California has contributed tens of thousands of dollars to local charities through the Windermere Foundation. Windermere agents and its employees support dozens of charities that benefit the community as a whole, whether that is through childhood and educational development or economic and social supports. And they continue to make a great impact on our community.

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About Windermere Southern California:

The Palm Springs area market leader, Windermere Real Estate Southern California consistently lists and sells more than any other local real estate brokerage. Founded by owners Bob Deville and Bob Bennion in 2001, Windermere Real Estate Southern California provides superior, professional real estate services to their clients in Palm Springs, Cathedral City, Rancho Mirage, Palm Desert, Indian Wells, La Quinta and Indio. Windermere's Premier Properties program showcases and markets some of the valley's finest homes and estates for maximum impact and worldwide exposure.

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