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Chairwomen Named for *Inaugural Hope Ball*

August 25, 2006 – Palm Beach Gardens –Villages of Hope (Palm Beach County's newest transitional living organization) is pleased to announce that **Kathy Cullifer** and **Kimberly Specce**, both of Jupiter, will serve as Co-Chairwomen of the *Inaugural Hope Ball*. The first ever *Hope Ball* will be held on Friday, January 12, 2007 at The Breakers on Palm Beach. The event will commence with a reception and silent auction in the Gold Room followed by dinner, dancing and a live auction in the Circle Ballroom. All proceeds from the event will benefit Villages of Hope located in northern Palm Beach County.

Kathy and Kimberly, along with their husbands Richard and Bill, have been involved with Villages of Hope since its inception. Both ladies are active with many local charities, including Place of Hope, an affiliate of Villages of Hope.

Villages of Hope provides independent living residential support and essential life-skills development for emancipated foster youth and other homeless youth in need. Villages of Hope is dedicated to providing a supportive and proactive living and learning environment for youth who "age out" of the state's foster care system. The organization is committed to meeting a desperate need in the community by sharing God's love, supporting the transition to adulthood, and building hope - *one young adult at a time*.

Funds raised at the *Inaugural Hope Ball* will help with operating expenses at Villages of Hope's new apartment complex in Palm Beach Gardens. Tickets and sponsorship opportunities for the *Inaugural Hope Ball* are now available. Individual tickets cost \$500 and sponsorship opportunities range from \$1,500 to \$25,000.

For more information about Villages of Hope or the *Inaugural Hope Ball*, please call 561.775.7195 or visit www.villagesofhope.net.

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